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CIVIL SERVICE EXAM 2009  
29.10. 2009

SECTION – A

## HISTORY

### Paper I

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 300

### INSTRUCTIONS

*Each Question is printed both in Hindi and English Medium.*

*Answer must be written in the medium specified in the Admission Certificate issued to you, which must be stated clearly on the cover of the answer book in the space provided for the purpose. No Marks will be given for the answers written in a medium other than that specific in the Admission Certificate.*

*Candidates should attempt Question No. 1 and 5 which are compulsory and any **three** of the remaining questions selecting at least one question from each Section.*

*The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question. Answer should be precise and to the point.*

1. Marks any **fifteen** of the following places on the map supplied to you and write short descriptive notes on these places marked by you. 4×15=60

- i. Koldihwa
- ii. Kuchai
- iii. Utnar
- iv. Patne
- v. Semthan
- vi. Bagasra
- vii. Balatha
- viii. Hallur
- ix. Kandahar
- x. Ter
- xi. Uchh
- xii. Gyaspur
- xiii. Uttaramerur
- xiv. Lalkot
- xv. Sittanavasal
- xvi. Mansura
- xvii. Jaunpur
- xviii. Daojali Hading
- xix. Machilipatnam
- xx. Mahisadal

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2. In what ways are the accounts of the Graeco Romans and the Chinese helpful in reconstructing the social history of India ? How far is their information corroborated by other Contemporary sources. 60
3. a). Evaluate the various approaches to the understanding of vedic religion. 30
- b). Give an account of the use of gold coins by commoners in the Gupta Period. 30
4. Bring out the regional variations in the early South Indian Temple's architectural styles. 60
- SECTION B**
5. Write short essays in not more than 200 words each on any three of the following: 20×3=60
- a). Applicability of the term ' Indian Feudalism' to early Medieval Society.
- b). Muhammad Tughluq as an agrarian innovator.
- c). Implications of Akbar's notion of Sulh-i-kul.
- d). Estimates of population of Mughal India.
6. a). How far can the village assemblies or communities under the Cholas be really called democratic. 30
- b). Assess Kalhana's views on History. 30
7. a). Identify the main factors that sustained the expansion of urban economy in the Delhi Sultanate. 30
- b). Give an estimate of Akbar as a promoter of technology. 30
8. a). Give a critical assessment of the contributions of Amir Khusarau and Barani to Indo – Persian Literature. 30
- b). The major cause of revolts against the Mughal Empire during the latter half of the 17<sup>th</sup> century were economic , rather than religious." Discuss. 30