

2021
HISTORY

Full marks: 90

Time: 3 hours

General instructions:

- i) *Approximately 15 minutes is allotted to read the question paper and revise the answers.*
- ii) *The question paper consists of 32 questions.*
- iii) *Marks are indicated against each question.*
Answer to questions carrying 1 mark should not exceed one sentence.
Answer to questions carrying 2 marks should not exceed 50 words.
Answer to questions carrying 4 marks should not exceed 100 words.
Answer to questions carrying 6 marks should not exceed 200 words.
Answer to questions carrying 8 marks should not exceed 300 words.

N.B: Check that all pages of the question paper is complete as indicated on the top left side.

1. Name the oldest planned city in the world. 1
2. What is Kula? 1
3. Who was the author of Akbarnama? 1
4. In which battle was Rama Raya miserably defeated? 1
5. Name the first British antiquarian who visited Hampi in 1799 AD. 1
6. Name the Bhakti Saint who was considered as the bridge between the Bhakti movement of the North and the South. 1
7. Who was the leader of the Revolt of 1857 at Kanpur? 1
8. Whom did Gandhi considered his political guru? 1
9. What did Bhagvad Gita teach Gandhiji? 1
10. Who was the Chairman of the Indian Constitution Drafting Committee? 1
11. Give the names of any four Mahajanapads. 2
12. What is the meaning of Diwan-i-khas and Diwan-i-Aam? 2
13. Give the names of any two temples found at Hampi. 2
14. Who were the Alvars and Nayanars? 2

15. What is Communal Award? 2
16. Write a note on the Preamble of the Indian Constitution. 2
17. Write a brief note on the discovery of Harappa in the 19th century. 4
18. State any four reasons why Jainism has little appeal among the masses. 4
19. Explain the expansion and consolidation policies of Krishnadeva Raya. 4
20. Describe the role of Rani Lakshmi Bai of Jhansi in the uprising of 1857. 4
21. Describe the role of B.R.Ambedkar in framing of the Constitution of India. 4
- Answer **any three** from questions 22 - 26
22. Mention six arguments in favour of the authenticity of the Mahabharata. 6
23. Describe the main teachings of Gautama Buddha. 6
24. Describe the features of buildings and Palaces built by the Vijayanagara rulers at Hampi. 6
25. Describe the ideas and practices of Sufism in Indian society. 6
26. Discuss the political ideas of Gandhiji. 6
- Answer **any three** from questions 27 - 31
27. Describe the causes of decay and disappearance of Harappan Civilisation.
What is the legacy of this civilization? 6+2=8
28. Describe how the inscriptions open the door of history. 8
29. Describe the various activities at the court of Akbar. 8
30. "The uprising of 1857 was the first war of Indian Independence". Justify the statement. 8
31. Examine the basic values of the Indian Constitution. 8

32. On the map given below, 6 (six) places have been numbered as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. Name these numbered places which represent the following: **6x1=6**



- (a) Birth place of Mahatma Gandhi
- (b) Buddha's first sermon
- (c) Jallianwalla Bagh
- (d) The battle that changed the heart and mind of Ashoka
- (e) INC session of 1926
- (f) Outbreak of the war of 1857
