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FOURTH SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025

(CBCSS)

History

HIS4C02—SELECTED THEMES IN PRE-MODERN SOUTH INDIA

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

- Answer can be written either in English *or* Malayalam.
- Only one language should be used throughout the Answer script.

Section A (Short Answers)

Answer any **four** questions from the following. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 1. The historical importance of Pattanam excavations and findings.
- 2. Write a brief note on the book *Manimegalai*.
- 3. 'Manigramam'.
- 4. 'Brahmadeyas' and Devadanas'.
- 5. 'Alwars and Nayanars'.
- 6. Uttaramerur inscription.
- 7. Hoysala Temples.

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weightage})$

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any **four** questions from the following.

Each question carries 3 weightage

- 8. Discuss what is meant by segmentary state model.
- 9. Briefly examine the features of reservoir and water management system prevalent in the Pandya kingdom

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- 10. Critically examine the nature of Chola state.
- 11. Summarize the evolution of political structure in Vijayanagara kingdom.
- 12. Evaluate the significances of Indo-Roman sea trade for early southern India.
- 13. What is meant by Left-Hand and Right-Hand caste in Southern India?
- 14. Examine how women are being studied in the history of South India.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

Section C (Essays)

Answer any **two** questions from the following.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

- 15. Critically examine the historical inferences unravel from the burial structures found in Southern India during the megalithic period.
- 16. 'Excavations in the tiny hamlet of Keeladiprove that an urban civilization existed in Tamil Nadu in the Sangam era on the banks of river Vaigai'. Elucidate the statement by looking at the urban features of the site.
- 17. Critically evaluate the historicity of Sangam literature and its corroboration with archeological findings.
- 18. Estimate the influence of Bhakti movement in configuring the everyday life of people of Southern India.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ weightage})$