

**CARMEL COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCE & COMMERCE FOR WOMEN,
NUVEM-GOA**

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Semester: II OF BA

Course Code: HSC 102

Course Title: History of India (From Earliest Times upto 8th century CE)

Total marks: 80

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Duration: 2 hours

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Instructions: 1. All questions are compulsory
2. Figures to the right indicate marks

1. Answer **any four** of the following. **(16)**
 - a. How do coins help us in understanding the ancient Indian history?
 - b. Bring out the significance of inscriptions in the study of the history of ancient India
 - c. Differentiate between the Palaeolithic and Neolithic cultures
 - d. Discuss the theories on the decline of the Harappan culture
 - e. How did the position of women change over the period of time during the Vedic Age?
 - f. State the factors for the rise of Magadha
2. Answer **any four** of the following. **(16)**
 - a. Discuss the economic conditions during early Vedic period
 - b. List the five vows of Jainism
 - c. Throw light on the foundation of the Mauryan Empire
 - d. State the welfare measures undertaken by Emperor Ashoka
 - e. Trace the progress of science and math under the Guptas
 - f. Explain the contribution of Harsha Vardhana towards Buddhism
- 3 a) Examine the religious beliefs of the Harappans **(12)**

OR

- 3 b) Highlight the importance of literary sources in the study of ancient Indian history
- 4 a) Review the birth and growth of Buddhism in ancient India **(12)**

OR

- 4 b) Evaluate the socio-political conditions in ancient India in the 6th century BCE
- 5 a) Analyse the administration and nature of the Mauryan state **(12)**

OR

- 5 b) Discuss the development of literature, art and architecture during the rule of the Guptas
- 6 a) Throw light on the socio-economic conditions of the Sangam Age **(12)**

OR

- 6 b) The town planning of the Indus Valley civilization stands as a model for many modern cities. Justify