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Class & Div: SY BA

Course Title & Code: History of World Religions HSG 104

Maximum marks: 80 Date: 23/04/2023 Duration: 2Hours Total No of pages: 01

Instructions:

1. *All questions are compulsory.*
2. *Figures to the right indicate marks assigned to each question.*

Q1. Answer any four of the following: (16)

- a) State any four Characteristics of a religion
- b) What is Ancestor worship?
- c) Comment on the worship of the Mother Goddess in ancient times
- d) State the factors that led to the growth and popularity of Jainism and Buddhism
- e) Write a short note on the Bhagwad Gita.
- f) Bring out the points of difference between Digambaras and Svetambara sects of Jainism.

Q2. Answer any four of the following: (16)

- a) Write a short note on the Dao-De-Ching
- b) Comment on the iconography of *Faravahar*.
- c) Why do the Zoroastrians worship fire?
- d) Why is Moses seen as an important figure in Judaism?
- e) Throw light on the 5 pillars of Islam.
- f) Briefly comment on the early life of Jesus.

Q3 A) Is religion relevant today in the 21st Century? (12)

OR

B) Highlight the salient features of ancient religions.

Q4. A) Throw light on the foundation and growth of Buddhism in ancient India. (12)

OR

B) Comment on the core beliefs of Hinduism.

Q5.A) Elucidate upon the role and philosophy of Zarathustra. (12)

OR

B) Briefly examine the life and teachings of Confucius.

Q6 A) Comment on the teachings of Jesus Christ. (12)

OR

B) State the importance of the Ten Commandments in the Jewish faith.