Civil Services (Main) Examination, 2005

HISTORY

(Paper I)

Time Allowed : Three Hours	*Maximum Marks : 300*

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions :

There are **EIGHT** questions divided in **TWO SECTIONS**.

Candidate has to attempt **FIVE** questions in all.

Questions no. **1** and **5** are compulsory and out of the remaining, any **THREE** are to be attempted choosing at least **ONE** question from each Section.

All questions carry equal marks.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

SECTION 'A'

1. Mark any fifteen of the following places on the map supplied to you and write short descriptive notes on places plotted by you on the map:

(i) Mohenjodaro
(ii) Burzahom
(iii) Inamgaon
(iv) Sannathi
(v) Kaveripattinam
(vi) Sisupalgarh
(vii) Anuradhapura
(viii) Karnasuvarna
(ix) Chittagong
(x) Chitore
(xi) Pratishthana
(xii) Vidisa
(xiii) Hampi
(xiv) Warangal
(xv) Diu
(xvi) Seringapatam
(xvii) Debal
(xviii) Fatehpur Sikri
(xix) Bijapur
(xx) Sasaram

2. Determine the extent of the Mauryan empire.

3. Assess the status of women in India from c. 4th century BC to AD 6th century.

4. What are the salient features of the administrative system of the Guptas?

SECTION 'B'

5. Write short essays in not more than 200 words each on any three of the following:

(a) The Samanta system
(b) The Bahmani kingdom
(c) Mughal painting
(d) Chaitanyadeva and Vaishnavism

6. Give your opinion on the urban development in India during the Mughal times.

7. "The tenets of Hindu and Muslim mystics were similar enough that the ground was ripe for syncretic movements involving adherents of both religions." Elucidate.

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8. How would you like to characterize the eighteenth century in Indian history?

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