

Time: 3 hours

Full Marks: 300

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates should attempt Q. No. 1 from
Section – A and Q. No. 5 from Section – B
which are compulsory and any three of
the remaining questions, selecting
at least one from each Section.

Section - A

- 1. Answer any **three** of the following in about **200** words each: 20×3 = 60
 - (a) Throw light on the non-literary sources of early Indian History.
 - (b) Figure out the details about the pastoral communities and their role during the early period of Indian History.

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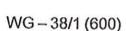
- (c) What do you know about the nonmonarchical communities of Northern India at the time of Buddha.
- (d) Analyse the message of Lord Buddha and the two sects of Mahayaan and Hinayaan.
- Assess the contribution of Sungas in the field of politics, society, religion, literature and art. 60
- Throw light on the circumstances at the time of Huna / Hun invasion over India and its impact for history of India.
- Discuss the significance of Hathigumpha Inscription as a source of history of Odisha. 60

Section - B

- 5. Write about any **three** of the following topics in not more than **200** words : $20 \times 3 = 60$
- (a) What do you know about Shankaracharya's

 Vedanta?
- (b) Introduce Alberuni and his picture of Indian science and civilization.

- (c) Write about the caste and slavery under the Sultanate.
- (d) Make an assessment of Sher Shah's administration.
- Make an estimate of any two provincial dynasties during 15th and early 16th centuries, examining their contribution.
- Give an outline of the 17th Century important Indian Towns, Trade and Commerce with Europe. 60
- 8. Trace the history of the Imperial Gangas with special reference to Odisha. 60



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