

CSM – 38/16
History
Paper – I

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 : $20 \times 3 = 60$
 - (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.

- (c) What do you know about the non-monarchical communities of Northern India at the time of Buddha.
- (d) Analyse the message of Lord Buddha and the two sects of Mahayaan and Hinayaan.
2. Assess the contribution of Sungas in the field of politics, society, religion, literature and art. 60
3. Throw light on the circumstances at the time of Huna / Hun invasion over India and its impact for history of India. 60
4. 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.
6. Make an estimate of any two provincial dynasties during 15th and early 16th centuries, examining their contribution. 60
7. 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



