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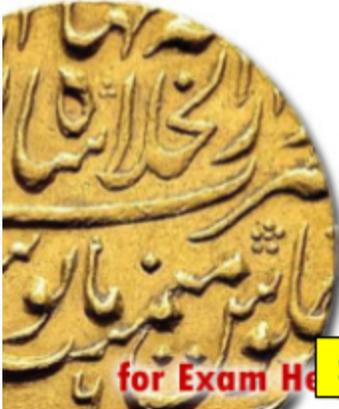
### Paper- I

#### Section-A

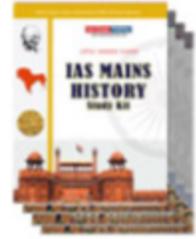
1. Mark any fifteen of the following places on the map supplied to you and write short descriptive notes on the places plotted by you on the map:

- (i) Konark
- (ii) Taxila
- (iii) Talikota
- (iv) Somnath
- (v) Kalinjar
- (vi) Mandu
- (vii) Murshidabad
- (viii) Nalanda
- (ix) Tanjore
- (x) Amber
- (xii) Chanderi
- (xiii) Arikmedu
- (xiv) Kalibangan
- (xv) Nagarjunakonda
- (xvi) Eran
- (xvii) Kausambi
- (xviii) Pattadakal
- (xix) Halebid
- (xx) Dvarsamudra
- (xi) Anegondi

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2. Discuss the changing approaches to the study of early Indian History.
3. Describe the expansion of the Gupta empire under Samudragupta.
4. Discuss the major stages in the evolution of architecture during the ancient period.

### Section-B

5. Write short essays in not more than 200 words each on any three of the following :
  - (a) The Khilji Revolution
  - (b) Sufism in North India
  - (c) Religious Tolerance of Akbar
  - (d) Dara Shukoh
6. Bring out the main features of the administrative system under Delhi Sultanate during TurkoAfghan period.
7. Write a short essay on the development of literature during the Mughal period.
8. Examine the factors which were responsible for opening and development of European trade in India during the 16th and 17th centuries.

## Paper- II

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### Section-A (Modern India)

1. Comment on any three of the following statements in about 200 words each:
  - (a) "Neither Alexander the Great nor Napoleon could have won the empire of India by starting from Puduicherry as a base and contending with a power which held Bengal and the command of the Sea."
  - (b) "A self-sufficient village, based on agriculture carried on with the primitive plough and bullock-power, and handicrafts by means of simple instruments, was a basic feature of Pre-British Indian economy."
  - (c) "So long as the millions live in hunger and ignorance, I hold every man a traitor who, having been educated at their expense, pays not the least heed to them."
  - (d) "I felt that if we did not accept partition, India would be split into many bits and would be completely ruined."
2. Examine the circumstances which led to the Third Mysore War. Could Cornwallis have avoided it?
3. What do you mean by the commercialization of Indian agriculture ? Discuss its results.

4. Account for the emergence of the left-wing within the Congress. How far did it influence the programme and Policy of the Congress ?

**Section-B (World History)**

5. Comment on any three of the following statements in about 200 words each:

- (a) "No taxation without representation."
- (b) "Colonies are like fruits which cling to the tree only till they ripen."
- (c) "Treaty of Versailles contained the seeds of future conflict".
- (d) "A clever conqueror will always impose his demands on the conquered by instalments."

6. "The Renaissance scholars laid the eggs which Luther, the father of the Reformation, later on hatched." Discuss.

7. Critically analyse the causes and results of the Chinese Revolution of 1949.

8. Give a brief account of the struggle against 'Apartheid' in South Africa.



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