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HISTORY

(SEC)

Paper : HISSEC1013

(Introduction to Archaeology)

Full Marks : 50

Pass Marks : 20

Time : Two hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. Choose the correct answer : 1×5=5

(a) Who is known as the “Father of Indian Archaeology” ?

(i) Alexander Cunningham

(ii) Mortimer Wheeler

(iii) John Marshal

(iv) Robert Bruce Foote

(b) Which of the following is not a primary source of archaeological evidence ?

- (i) Pottery
- (ii) Inscriptions
- (iii) Coins
- (iv) Novels

(c) Which branch of archaeology studies ancient human Remains (Skeletons) ?

- (i) Ethnoarchaeology
- (ii) Bio archaeology
- (iii) Industrial archaeology
- (iv) Experimental archaeology

(d) Which of the following best defines archaeology ?

- (i) The study of human behaviour through written documents.
- (ii) The study of past human life and culture through material remains.
- (iii) The study of ancient plants and animals.
- (iv) The study of geological formations.

(e) The excavation method that involves digging layer by layer to study chronological order is called:

- (i) Carbon dating
- (ii) Stratigraphy
- (iii) Seriation
- (iv) Typology

2. Answer the following questions : **(any five)**

2×5=10

- (a) Write *two* relations between History and Archaeology.
- (b) Write *two* scopes of Archaeology.
- (c) What is Pre History ?
- (d) What is an Antifact ?
- (e) How can we retrieve the archaeological datas ? Give *two* ways.
- (f) What is Absolute Dating ?
- (g) What do you mean by Ethnography ?

3. Answer the following questions : **(any five)**

5×5=25

- (a) What is the concept of Archaeology ? Explain with definitions.

- (b) How Archaeology can be used and abused ?
- (c) Explain briefly about the formation process of Archaeological records.
- (d) Explain the concept of Relative Dating in Archaeology.
- (e) What are Case Studies in Archaeology ?
- (f) What are the types and nature of archaeological data ?
- (g) How archaeological sites and monuments can be preserved ?
- (h) Explain the role of Ethnography and Experimental Replication Studies in Archaeology.

4. Answer the following questions : **(any one)**
10×1=10

- (a) How Artifacts are categorised, classified and characterised ?
 - (b) Explain how ethnographic studies help archaeologists interpret the behaviour, culture and technology of ancient societies. Give suitable examples.
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