## Government Degree College, Baramulla (Autonomous)

#### Term End External Examination 4th Semester (Session- July 2024)

#### Subject: History

Course No and Title: HSTC3422M/Economic History of Ancient India Max Marks:100 Time: 2.15 hours Min. Marks:40 **Section A: Objective Type Questions** Q1. Choose the appropriate Answer: (8x1.5=12)i. The Harappans did not know the use of A Copper **B** Gold C Bronze **D** Iron ii. Harappas had commercial relations with A China **B** Jawa C Mesopotamia **D** Burma (Now Myanmar) iii. In the early Rigvedic period, what was considered to be the most valuable property? A Land B Cow C Water D Gold iv. Which of the following was the main occupation of Early Ved society? A Trade **B** Pastoral C Agriculture **D** Fishing v. Which of the following was the main source of income in the Mauryan administration? A State Tax **B** Trade **D** Land Revenue **C** Donations vi. Which of the following refers to tax paid only in cash during the Mauryan period? A Bhaga B Bali C Hiranya **D** Kara vii. In Gupta Empire, what were the villages called that were granted to secular parties for religious purposes? A Agrahara Grants **B** Vata Buta C Devadhana Grants **D** Bhaga viii. What do "Vapi," "Tadaga," and "Dirghula" refer to during the Gupta period? A Canals **B** Tanks

**D** Wells

## Government Degree College, Baramulla (Autonomous) **Section-B: Descriptive Type Questions (Short Type)**

### Q2: Answer all the Questions

 $(8 \times 4 = 32)$ 

- i. What is Neolithic revolution?
- ii. Define Mesolithic period.
- iii. Write a short note on great Granary.
- iv. What were the primary materials used in Indus Valley craft and tool production?
- v. What were the main economic activities in Mauryan Empire?
- vi. Introduce Arthashastra?
- vii. Why Gupta period is known as the golden period of ancient India?
- viii. Name some primary goods exported by the Gupta Empire.

## Section – C: Descriptive Type Questions (Medium Type)

### Answer all the questions:

 $(4 \times 7 = 28)$ 

Q 3. What were the primary subsistence strategies of Palaeolithic humans?

#### OR

How did ancient Indians use animal husbandry in their economy

**Q 4.** What role did guilds (shrenis) play in ancient Indian economy?

#### OR

Iron played a significant role in the emergence of Second-Urbanisation, Comment.

Q 5. How did the expansion of the Indo-Greek Kingdoms influence economic activities in North-Western India?

#### OR

What impact did the Kushan Empire have on the economic development of post-Mauryan India?

Q6. What role did Indian merchants and sailors play in the Mediterranean trade networks?

#### OR

What role did land grants (agraharas and brahmadeyas) play in the early medieval economy?

C Rivers

# Government Degree College, Baramulla (Autonomous) Section – D: Descriptive Type Questions (Long Type)

## Answer any two of the following:

 $(2 \times 14=28)$ 

- **Q7.** Explain how did the domestication of plants and animals transform the Neolithic economy?
- **Q8.** Highlight the role did the Indus Valley Civilization play in ancient Indian trade?
- **Q 9.** Elucidate how did the Gupta Empire contribute to economic development in ancient India?
- **Q 10.** Discuss in detail how did the feudal system influence the economic structure of early medieval India?