PG CBCS M.A. Semester-I Examination, 2020 HISTORY

PAPER: HIS-101 (STATE FORMATION IN ANCIENT INDIA)

Full Marks: 40 Time: 2 Hours

Answer any four questions from the following:

 $10 \times 4 = 40$

- 1. Examine the state formation process in ancient India during the period of 1500 BC to 600 BC.
- 2. What were the main factors in the expansion of agriculture and settlements in Vedic India?
- 3. How would you explain the theory of state as propounded by Kautilya?
- 4. How did the Janapadas evolve? Explain the term 'Jana' in this context.
- 5. Briefly discuss the economic and political importance of the rise of the Mahajanapadas.
- 6. Discuss the historical debate on Indian Feudalism.
- 7. Analyse the main features of the feudalistic socio-economic life patterns in early medieval India.
- 8. How did the Cholas secure supremacy in South India?
- 9. Discuss Burton Stein's model of 'segmentary state' in the context of the Chola Empire.
- 10. Critically examine the features of the Nayankara System under the Vijayanagar state administration.

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