

2025

**M.A. 1st Semester Examination
HISTORY**

Paper : HISO406VC

[Indian Knowledge System (IKS)]

Full Marks : 25

Time : One Hour

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Illustrate the answer wherever necessary.

Group - A

Answer any *one* question : 10×1=10

1. How did the Cārvāka/Lokāyata school's epistemology differ from the Nyāya school's approach to valid means of knowledge (pramāṇa)?

Or,

How did kingship evolve in ancient India?

2. Critically explain the Hindu concept of eco-care through God's reincarnation in animals and humans.

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Or,

Discuss the theory of the Purusartha as an aim in life and state in ancient Indian Philosophy.

Group - B

Answer any *two* questions : 5×2=10

3. Define Mokṣa. What does Mokṣa liberate one from?

Or,

Define the term 'Bharatvarsha'.

4. Briefly discuss the importance of Indian spices in foreign trade in ancient times.
5. What is the relevance of Panini in cultural studies, philosophy, mathematics and sanskrit studies in the modern context?

Or,

Discuss the theory and implementation of Ashtanga Yoga (Eight limbs of Yoga) in Patanjali.

Internal Assessment : 5 marks
