

63/1 (SEM-4) SAN HC 4086 (CC 8)

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Paper : CC-8

(Indian Epigraphy, Paleography and Chronology)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Answer the following questions : 1×6=6

- (a) What do you mean by the term 'inscriptions'?
- (b) What is the name of the oldest dictionary of Prākṛta?
- (c) From which language does the word 'paleography' come?
- (d) What is the other name of 'गुप्तलिपि'?
- (e) Where did Sāranāth Pillar Edict locate?
- (f) What is solar year?

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2. Answer the following questions :

2×5=10

(a) Write a short note on the system of dating in the inscription.

(b) Write down the two characteristics of king Rudradāmana.

(c) What are the languages used in Aśoka's inscription?

(d) Give the two main characteristics of epigraphy.

(e) What are the two types of writing used in ancient India?

3. Answer the following questions (any six) : 5×6=30

(a) Write in brief the cultural importance of epigraphy.

(b) Make a short note on epigraphy as a source of ancient Indian history.

(c) Give a brief description on inscribers.

(d) Write a short note on (any one) :

(i) Dr. Mukunda Madhav Sharma

(ii) James Princep

(3)

(e) Summarize the introductory part of Giranāra Rock Edict-I.

(f) What are the contents of Aśokan major rock edicts? Explain.

(g) Write a short note on 'नक्षत्र'.

(h) Discuss in brief scholar D. C. Sircar's remarks on the greatness of epigraphy.

(i) Translate into Assamese or English (any one) :

(i) न भक्ति-नय-विक्रम-तोषितेन
राज-शब्द-विभवैरभिषेचनाद्यैः ।
नितः परम-तुष्टि-पुरस्कृतेन
वो नृपैरप्रतिवार्य्य-वीर्य्यः ॥

(ii) इयं धर्म-लिपि देवानं प्रियेन
प्रियदसिना राजा लेखा पिता ।
चि जीवं अरभित्या प्रजुहितव्यं
न च समाजो क तव्यो ॥

4. Answer the following questions (any two) : $10 \times 2 = 20$

(a) Narrate the contribution of European orientalists in the study of Indian epigraphy.

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- (b) Discuss in detail the chief subject matters of Aśoka's inscriptions.
- (c) Present an exhaustive note on ancient Indian chronology.
5. Give the summary of Tezpur Copper-plate Inscription of Vanamālavarmadeva. 14

Or

Write in detail on Eran Pillar Inscription of Samudragupta.

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