

(FOR THE CANDIDATES ADMITTED

23UHY5E4

DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023

ONLY)

REG.NO. :

N.G.M.COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) : POLLACHI

END-OF- SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS : NOVEMBER-2025

B.A HISTORY(AIDED)

MAXIMUM MARKS: 75

SEMESTER-V

TIME : 3 HOURS

PART - III

23UHY5E4 – ARCHAEOLOGY

SECTION – A

(10 X 1 = 10 MARKS)

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

(K1)

1. The tool most associated with the Paleolithic period is:_____
a) Iron sickle b) Polished stone axe c) Hand axe d) Bronze spear
2. The science of layering and their sequence is called:_____
a) Epigraphy b) Numismatics c) Stratigraphy d) Paleontology
3. Painted Grey Ware belongs to:_____
a) Neolithic period b) Megalithic period c) Later Vedic period d) Harappan period
4. Brahmi script was deciphered by:_____
a) Alexander Cunningham b) James Princep c) Mortimer Wheeler d) Robert Bruce Foote
5. Sir Mortimer Wheeler introduced:_____
a) Vertical excavation method b) Grid system in excavation c) Carbon dating d) None of the above

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN ONE (OR) TWO SENTENCES

(K2)

6. Mention any one Megalithic site in India.
7. Mention any one scientific dating method.
8. Name two important sites of Indus Valley Civilization.
9. What is punch-marked coins?
10. Who is called the father of Indian archaeology?

SECTION – B

(5 X 5 = 25 MARKS)

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. (K3)

11. a) Describe the main characteristics of Paleolithic tools.
(OR)
b) Write a brief note on the evolution of Homo sapiens.
12. a) Briefly describe the method of radiocarbon dating.

(OR)

- b) What is stratigraphy and how is it used?

(CONTD 2)

13. a) Explain the role of pottery in archaeological dating.
(OR)
b) Differentiate between Harappan and Megalithic pottery.
14. a) Explain the features of hero stones.
(OR)
b) How are scripts useful in reconstructing history?
15. a) Write a short note on the contribution of Robert Bruce Foote.
(OR)
b) Highlight the achievements of Sir Mortimer Wheeler.

SECTION – C**(5 X 8 = 40 MARKS)****ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. (K4 (Or) K5)**

16. a) Explain the major changes that occurred in the Neolithic period.
(OR)
b) Analyze the significance of Megalithic culture in South India.
17. a) Examine the various methods of archaeological exploration and excavation.
(OR)
b) Evaluate different scientific dating techniques used in archaeology.
18. a) Analyze the material culture of the Indus Valley Civilization.
(OR)
b) Trace out the distribution and cultural value of antiquities found in South India.
19. a) Bring out the development of Brahmi script.
(OR)
b) Critically analyze the importance of symbols and early writing systems in ancient India.
20. a) Write a detailed essay on James Prinsep and the decipherment of Brahmi script.
(OR)
b) Compare the contributions of Foote and Cunningham.

Ethical paper
