

IAS Mains History 2006

Paper-I

Section-A

1. Mark any fifteen of the following places on the map supplied to you and write short descriptive notes on the places plotted by you on the map: $4 \times 15 = 60$

- a. Konark
- b. Taxila
- c. Talikota
- d. Somnath
- e. Kalinjar
- f. Mandu
- g. Murshidabad
- h. Nalanda
- i. Tanjore
- j. Amber
- k. Anegondi
- l. Chanderi
- m. Arikmedu
- n. Kaibangan
- o. Nagarjunakonda
- p. Eran
- q. Pattadakal
- r. Halebid
- s. Dvasamudra

2. Discuss the changing approaches to the study of early Indian History. 60

3. Describe the expansion of the Gupta Empire under Samudragupta. 60

4. Describe the major stages in the evolution of architecture during the ancient period. 60

Section-B

5. Write short essays in not more than 200 words each on any three of the following: $20 \times 3 = 60$

- a. The Khilji Revolution:
- b. Sufism in North India
- c. Religious Tolerance of Akbar

d. Dara Shukoh

6. Bring out the main features of the administrative system under Delhi Sultanate during Turko-Afghan period. 60
7. Write a short essay on the development of literature during the Mughal period. 60
8. Examine the factors which were responsible for opening and development of European trade in India during the 16th and 17th centuries. 60