

2025

HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

Course No. : HA – 101

(Archaeology: Methods and Approaches)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

*Answer any **five** questions*

1. a) Discuss the definition, scope of Archaeology, source, methods and its disciplinary place. 12
- Or*
- b) Explain the relationship of archaeology with anthropology and history? 12
2. a) Write any two: 6+6
- i) Normative point of view in archaeology
 - ii) Culture as a process according to New archaeology
 - iii) Post processual archaeology
- b) Write any two of the following: 6+6
- i) Conceptual frameworks in archaeology before the mid 20th century
 - ii) Lewis Binford's contribution towards archaeology

Turn Over)

iii) How is material culture- meaningfully constituted according to post processual archaeology

3. a) Write any two of the following: 6+6
- i) Contribution of Alexander Cunningham to Indian archaeology
 - ii) The John Marshall epoch
 - iii) History of survey with special reference to post- independence India

Or

- b) i) Brief survey of the archaeology of Northeast India during Post – Independence period. 6+6
- ii) Mortimer wheeler and Indian Archaeology
 - iii) Curzon and the dawn of new era

4. a) Discuss the traditional and scientific techniques of locating sites? Explain the different methods of excavation. 12

Or

- b) Write short note on post excavation analysis. Discuss the importance of ethno-archaeology in reconstruction of pre-modern society in Northeast India. 12

5. a) Explain the difference between relative and absolute dating methods. Explain the various scientific techniques of dating. 12

Or

- b) Write short notes on seriation/typology and stratigraphy. 'Dating is central in archaeology' Elaborate? 12

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