Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Attempt any four questions.
3. All questions carry equal marks.
4. Answers may be written either in English or in Hindi; but the same medium should be used throughout the paper.

1. Illustrate the basic perceptions of Islamic traditions in relation to the emergence of Syncretic traditions.

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2. Critically describe the notion of Rajadharma in Shantiparva with special reference to the duties of the king.

3. Critically analyse the role of Manu Smriti in the formulation of social laws.

4. Do you agree that Kautilya’s conception of state in Saptanga and Yogakshema is ‘surprisingly modern’ in character? Elaborate your response.

5. Discuss the theory of kingship as described by Buddha in Digha Nikaya.


7. Analyse Kabir’s concept of equality with special reference to gender equality

8. Write short notes on any two of the following:

(a) Concept of ideal sultan in Barni
(b) Brahmanic tradition
(c) Mandala theory of Kautilya
(d) Syncretism of Kabir

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