

PAPER-304 Indian Archaeology and Epigraphy

Total marks- 70
Elective Course code-304
Lectures-60 Credit-4

Option -1

Unit-1

- (a) Archaeological Survey of India and its various activities.
- (b) Contribution of archaeology to Indian history.

Unit-2

- (a) Main features of Indian art and architecture.
- (b) Archeological excavation in Gujarat with special reference to Lothal, Shrinathgadh, Kuntasi and Dholavira.

Unit-3

- (a) Interpretation of archeological remains and significance of pottery, tools, beads etc.
- (b) Story of decipherment of old inscriptions - main types of inscriptions in respect of their materials and contents with special study of Girnar inscription and Prayag-prashasti.

Unit-4

- (a) Important era used in India inscriptions - Vikrama, Shaka and Gupta.
- (b) Importance of inscriptions in the study of history.

Reference Books:

1. Government of India: Archeology in India Part - 1.
 2. Pandey, R.B. : Indian Epigraphy Part-I .
 3. Sarkar, D.C. : Indian Epigraphy .
 4. Brown C. : The Coins in India .
 5. Bhandarkar D.K. : Lectures on Ancient Indian Numismatics.
- Shobita Punja : Museums of India.