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Syllabus for Ph. D. Entrance Exam ANCIENT HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

UNIT-I:

- a) Sources of Indian History
- b) Harappan Civilization
- c) Mauryan Empire-Chandragupta to Ashoka Political and Administrative System
- d) Guptas-Political and Cultural History

UNIT-II:

- a) Sources of South Indian History
- b) Pallavas-Cultural History-Badami Chalukya Political History
- c) Rashtrakutas-Political and Cultural History
- d) Hoysalas

UNIT-III:

- a) Three Age System
- b) Stone Tool Techniques
- c) Lower Palaeolithic to Neolithic Period
- d) Chalcolithic and Megalithic

UNIT-IV:

- a) Methods of Excavations and Explorations
- b) Relative Dating Methods
- c) Absolute Dating Methods

UNIT-V:

- a) Importance of Epigraphy to the knowledge of Indian History
- b) Types of Inscriptions
- c) Ashokan Edicts
- d) Halmidi Inscriptions, Aihole Inscription of Pulakesi-II, Uttaramerur Inscriptions of Parantaka-I and Sravanabelagola Inscription of Bukkaraya-I.

UNIT-VI:

- a) Nature of History-History is a Science or Art?
- b) Historians and Historiographers
- c) Historical Methodology
 - (i) Heuristics, (ii) Internal and External Criticism, (iii) Synthesis, (d) Exposition

UNIT-VII:

- a) Special features of Indian Art
- b) Mauryan Art and Architecture
- c) Rock-cut Architecture in India

UNIT-VIII:

- a) Three styles of Indian Artb) Badami Chalukya and Kalyana Chalukyan Architecture
- c) Pallava and Chola Architecture
- d) Hoysala and Vijayanagara Architecture

UNIT-IX:

- a) Antiquity of Coinage in India
- b) Gupta Coins
- c) Vijayanagara Coins

UNIT-X:

- a) T.Narasipura
- b) Brahmagiri
- c) Chandravalli
- d) Talakad
- e) Hampi