

**Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla**  
**Centre for Distance and Online Learning**

**Department of History**  
**M A Semester First**  
**Paper: Ancient Societies**  
**Core Course-HIST 102**

**Important Instruction:** *All the students are required to prepare all three assignments separately. These assignments are compulsory and submit them in a time bound manner, otherwise admit card for the exams will not be generated. A sample of the title page is also attached.*

**Assignment – I**

**Maximum Marks = 6**

**Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:**

- Q.1** Describe the major stages of human evolution and their significance in history.
- Q.2** How did the transition from hunting and food gathering to food production impact human societies?
- Q.3** Discuss the role of pottery and weaving in the development of Neolithic societies.
- Q.4** Explain the differences between family, clan, and tribe in ancient social formations.

**3 × 2 =6**

**Assignment – I**

**Maximum Marks = 6**

**Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:**

- Q.1** Explain the concept of civilization and its connection to the domestic mode of production.
- Q.2** How did changes in material culture influence settlement patterns in early societies?
- Q.3** Discuss the factors that led to the emergence of the first cities.
- Q.4** What were the early forms of exchange, and how did gift-giving play a role in ancient economies?

**3 × 2 =6**

**Assignment – 2**

**Maximum Marks = 8**

**Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:**

- Q.1** Discuss the key features of the urban revolution and the process of urbanization in ancient Greece.
- Q.2** How did religion influence urban life and society in Mesopotamia, Egypt, and Greece?
- Q.3** Explain the factors that contributed to the development of cities in ancient China.
- Q.4** Analyze the transition of Rome from a Republic to an Empire and its impact on Roman society.

**4 × 2 =8**

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