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Class : VI

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Topic : History Chapter-4

THE FIRST CITIES

1. Multiple Choice Type Questions(Needs to be done in book)

a) The Indus Valley Civilisation flourished between _____

- i) 1500 BCE and 2500 BCE ii) 700 BCE and 1500 BCE iii) 2600 BCE and BCE 1500

iv) 2500 BCE and 1500 BCE

b) The Indus Valley Civilisation is also called the _____.

- i) Indus Civilisation **ii) Harappan Civilisation** iii) Chinese Civilisation iv) Egyptian Civilisation

c) Man-made material which was glazed to give shiny glass surface is known as _____.

- i) Tera clay ii) Brown clay **iii) faience** iv) sand clay

d) Finding of _____ suggests that people wore it to bring fortune.

- i) armlets **ii) amulets** iii) rings iv) necklace

e) The cities were administered by a committee of people consisting of _____.

- i) rich priests ii) craftsmen **iii) rich merchants** iv) priest king

2. Fill in the blanks (Needs to be done in book)

a) Spindle whorls to spin thread have been found in **harappan** sites.

b) **Bead** making was a specialized craft.

c) Dholavira was divided into **three** parts.

d) The **ruling class** consisted of rich merchants and priests.

e) The Harappan people were **creative** and knew how to amuse themselves.

3 . Unscramble the letters given in the help box and fill in the blanks.

- a) The first site of Indus Valley civilization excavated was **Harappa**.
- b) Most probably, the Great Bath was used for **ritual bath**.
- c) Two specialized crafts of this civilization were **metal work** and **bead making**.
- d) The flat rectangular objects used by merchants to stamp their good were **seals**.
- e) Harappan script was **pictographic**.

4. State whether the following statements are True or False. (Needs to be done in book)

- a) Harappan Civilisation flourished on the bank of the river Ganges. **FALSE**
- b) A dockyard has been found in the Indus Valley site of Ropar in Gujarat. **FALSE**
- c) Every city in the Indus Valley civilization had a Great Bath. **FALSE**
- d) Houses were made of mud bricks in the Indus Valley civilization. **TRUE**
- e) The Harappan script has been deciphered. **FALSE**

5. Very Short Answer Type Questions

(a) Define the term 'Civilisation'

Ans- Civilisation means a highly developed culture with towns and cities, crafts and trade, and an organized form of government.

(b) Which other civilization were contemporary to that of the Indus Valley Civilisation?

Ans- Civilisations were contemporary to that of the Indus Valley Civilisation were Mesopotamian and Egyptian.

(c) What type of farming was practiced by the Harappans?

Ans- Mixed type of farming was practiced by the Harappans.

(d) Which different types of toys did the Harappan people use?

Ans- Different types of toys Harappan people use are small clay carts, animal figures, marbles, rattles, dolls and whistles.

(e) Name the script used by the Harappan people. What was it about?

Ans- The Harappan script was pictographic. It had pictures like signs, objects and words.

6. Short Answer Type Questions

(a) All ancient civilisations flourished along the river valleys. Why?

Ans- All ancient civilisations flourished along the river valley because-

- a) Rivers are source of fresh water
- b) Rivers helps in irrigation
- c) Rivers acted as source of water and other human needs.
- d) Rivers provide route for trade and transportation.

(b) What was a citadel? Why were important buildings built on the citadel?

Ans- a) Most of the cities of this civilization were divided into two parts. The western part was built on a higher ground called the Citadel.

b) The Citadel had high walls which provided protection during the floods that is why important buildings like the granary, fire altars and the Great Bath of Mohenjodaro were once took.

(c) Highlight the religious beliefs of the Harappans.

Ans- It is believed that Harappans worshipped in other goddess, male god pashupati and peepal tree as remain and clay images were found.

(d) How do we know that the Harappans believed in the life after death?

Ans- The graves and burials sites have been found with pottery and jewellery indicating people believe in life after death.

(e) Describe in brief the town planning of the Harappan Civilisation.

Ans-i) The cities were divided into two parts : Higher and Lower. Bricks were used in buildings, streets and drains.

- ii) Each house had a bathroom, a kitchen and a large courtyard.
- iii) Cities had well developed drainage system.
- iv) Straight and broad streets cut each other at right angles.

