

SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY
B.A. EPIGRAPHY
FIRST YEAR - SECOND SEMESTER
(Under CBCS W.E.F. 2020-21)

**COURSE - 2 : EVOLUTION OF SCRIPTS IN INDIA AND
SPECIAL STUDY OF T.T.D. INSCRIPTIONS**

Unit - I : Origin and antiquity of Writing in India- various theories – Indian and Foreign

Unit - II : History of Epigraphical Studies in India – contribution of Foreign Scholars
- E.Hultzsch, H.Krishna Sastry, V.Venkayya, N.L.Rao, D.C. Sircar,
M.Somasekhara Sarma


Unit – III : Evolution of Scripts in India – Indus Script – Brahmi Script – Kharoshthi
Script.

Unit - IV : Evolution of Telugu–Kannada Script–Different stages - Development of
Telugu and Kannada as independent Scripts - Evolution of Tamil and
Grandha Scripts.

Unit - V : Significance of the inscriptions of the Tirumala – Tirupati Temples – Format –
contents – Cash and Village endowments – Utilization of gifts- Contribution
of Sadhu Subrahmanya Sastri to the T.T.D.Epigraphical Studies.

Suggested Readings

1. E.Buhler: *Indian palaeography*
2. R.B.Paddey : *Indian Palaeography*
3. C.Sivaramamurti : *Indian Epigraphy and South Indian Scripts*
4. D. C. Sircar: *Indian Epigraphy*
5. P. V. Parabrahma Sastry and N.S. Ramachandra Murthy : *Telugu Script (Origin and Evolution)*.
6. Solomon Richard : *Indian Epigraphy (A Guide to the Study of Inscriptions in Sanskrit, Prakrit and other Indo-Aryan Languages), New Delhi, 1998*
7. N.Krishna Reddy: *Sasanaparichayam (Telugu)*
8. N.Ramesan: *The Tirumala Temple*
9. Subrahmanyam Sastri, Sadhu: 1. *Tirupati Sri Venkateswara(1981)*
2. *Tirumala – Tirupati Devasthanam Epigraphical series*
10. Vijayaraghavacharya T.K.T: *History of Tirupati*


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MODEL QUESTION PAPER

Time: 3 hours

Marks: 75 marks

Note: This question paper contains two parts A and B.

Part A is compulsory which carries 25 marks. Answer any five of the following questions in Part A.

Part B consists of 5 Units. Answer any one full question from each unit. Each question carries 10 marks

PART - A

Answer any Five of the following question.

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