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NCERT Class 6 History

Chapter 9: Vital Villages, Thriving Towns

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Iron Tools

- Around 3000 years ago
- Found in megalithic burials
- Axes and iron ploughshare

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Irrigation

- Canals, wells, tanks, and artificial lakes
- More production
- More revenue
- Can pay taxes

Village Life - South

- Large landowners: vellalar
- Ordinary ploughmen: uzhavar
- Landless labourers & slaves: kadaisiyar & adimai

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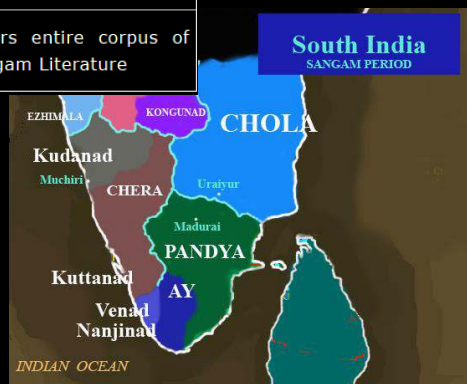
Village Life - North

- Headman: Grama bhojaka – Large Landowner – hired slaves, taxed, acted as judge
- Independent farmers: Grihapatis
- Dasas & Kammakaras

Sangam Literature

Sangam	Place of Organisation	Chairman	Kingdom	Books
First	Thenmadurai	Agastya	Pandiya	No books survived
Second	Kapatapuram	Earlier- Agastya Later- Tolkappiyar (a disciple of Agastaya)	Pandiya	Tolkappiyam (author - Tolkappiyar)
Third	Madurai	Nakkirar	Pandiya	covers entire corpus of Sangam Literature

- 2300 years ago
- Composed in assemblies
- Held in Madurai



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Life in Cities

- Jatakas: Stories by local people (STORY)
- Written down by Buddhist Monks
- Sculptor carved scenes
- Capitals of Mahajanpadas
- Rows of pots or ring wells (used as toilets, garbage dumps)
- No remains of palaces, markets and homes – made of wood or mud
- Account of travelers and sailors

Coins

- Earliest – Punched marked (Silver or copper)



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Crafts

- Northern Black Polished Ware
- Craft associations: Shrenis



Arikamedu

- Pottery: Mediterranean region – amphorae (tall double-handled jars that contained liquids)
- Stamped red-glazed pottery: Arretine Ware - named after city in Italy.
- Pottery – Roman designs, Roman lamps, glassware and gems.
- Small tank to dye cloths

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Rome

- Contemporary to Ganga valley
- Capital of empires — Europe, North Africa, and West Asia
- Augustus – Emperor (made city of brick to marble)
- Amphitheaters & open arenas
- Huge aqueducts — channels to supply water for baths, fountains and toilets.