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HISTORY

First Paper

First Half

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. Answer any two questions : 15×2=30

(a) Would you argue that history is a "continuous process of interaction between the historian and his facts" ?

(b) How do you explain the significance of interdisciplinary research in history ?

(c) Discuss the style, method and technique of historical writings of Herodotus.

(d) Give an idea of Barani's philosophy of history as it is revealed in *Tarikh-i-Firuz Shahi*.

2. Answer any four of the following : 5×4

(a) What do you understand by "History" ?

(b) What is Interpretation of History ?

(c) Write a note on the relation between history and archaeology.

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Second Half

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. Answer any two of the following : 15×2

(a) Write an essay on the Nationalist School of Historiography.

(b) Write a note on the Subaltern school of historiography.

(c) Examine the evolution of the Marxist school of historiography.

(d) Give an account of the writings of the Imperialist school of historiographers.

2. Write on any four of the following : 5×4

(a) The Canberra school of historians.

(b) The gender inequality question.

(c) Antonio Gramsci.

(d) Professor Bina Majumdar's theory on women's emancipation.

(e) Views of R. P. Datta and E.M.S. Namboodripad on Gandhi.

(f) Annales school of history.

(g) The Whig historiography.

(h) Orientalist school of historians.

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(d) Why was Thucydides called the father of the scientific method in history ?

(e) Write a brief note on "Bibliography".

(f) Write a brief note on the relations between history and literature.

(g) Badauni's concept of History.

(h) Alberuni's idea on History.

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Second Paper

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Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. Answer *any two* of the following :  $15 \times 2 = 30$

(a) How far did the Sree Narayan Movement uphold the ideology of Dalit movement in the early 20th century ?

(b) Analyse the social background of Indian Nationalism.

(c) Discuss the significance of the Arya Samaj movement. How far was it a revivalist movement ?

(d) Write a short account of the Aligarh Movement.

2. Write short notes on *any four* of the following :  $5 \times 4 = 20$

(a) Sanskritisation concept among the Dalits.

(b) E.V. Ramaswamy Naicker's political ideas.

(c) Keshab Chandra's revolt against the Adi Brahma Samaj.

(d) Ranade's theory of liberty.

(e) August Comte.

(f) Satyasadhak Samaj.

(g) Tuhaful Muahiddin.

(h) Deoband Movement.

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Second Paper

First Half

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Full Marks—50

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1. Answer *any two* questions :  $15 \times 2 = 30$

(a) Discuss about monarchy in ancient India.

(b) What was the position of women in ancient India ?

(c) Discuss the six schools of Indian philosophy.

(d) Discuss the idea of kingship in medieval India.

2. Write short notes on *any four* :  $5 \times 4 = 20$

(a) Republics in ancient India.

(b) *Varna*.

(c) Upanishads.

(d) 13 sins as referred to by Jainism.

(e) *Ashtanga Marg* of Buddhism.

(f) Power and position of king in ancient India.

(g) Family in ancient India.

(h) Difference between Buddhism and Jainism in fundamental principles.

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Third Paper

First Half

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

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1. Answer any two questions : 15 × 2 = 30

(a) Highlight the debate on the potentialities of capitalist change in the pre-colonial economy.

(b) Discuss the objectives, operations and effects of the Permanent Settlement during the colonial period.

(c) Describe the process of "drain of wealth" and its mechanism, magnitude and effects.

(d) Explain the nature and pattern of traditional handicraft industry during the colonial period.

2. Answer any four questions : 5 × 4 = 20

(a) Write in brief the effects of the Ryotwari Settlement.

(b) What do you mean by industrial capitalism ?

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Third Paper

Second Half

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. Answer any two of the following : 15 × 2 = 30

(a) Write an essay on the growth and development of the railways. Add a note on its impact on economy and society.

(b) Give an account of the growth of the capitalist class in colonial India.

(c) Briefly narrate the emergence of the diasporic Indian community.

(d) Write an essay on the commercialisation of agriculture.

2. Write on any four of the following : 5 × 4 = 20

(a) Growth of banking institutions in colonial India.

(b) Economic unification of India.

(c) Growth of economic nationalism.

(d) Growth of finance capital.

(e) Macaulay's Minute, 1835.

(f) Proto-industrialisation.

(g) Introduction of the Census, 1871.

(h) Lancashire cotton lobby.

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(c) Explain in brief the consequences of periodic settlements of land-revenue.

(d) What difficulty did handicraft industry face during the colonial period ?

(e) What do you mean by the term "Mercantilism" ?

(f) What do you mean by "Deindustrialisation" ?

(g) Write a short account of the Mahalwari Settlement.

(h) What was the technological scenario of the mid-eighteenth century ?

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Fourth Paper

First Half

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*1. Answer any two questions :  $15 \times 2 = 30$ 

(a) Give an account of the Bengal Renaissance and its effect on the society during the colonial period.

(b) Discuss the various traits of indigenous reaction in Bengal against the Bengal Partition as expressed in literature, drama, theatre, painting and music.

(c) How did the Bengalis react to Partition politics ?

(d) How did the process of colonial cultural penetration begin in Bengal ?

2. Write in short on any four of the following :  $5 \times 4 = 20$ 

(a) What do you mean by the term "Renaissance" ?

(b) Mention some literary works which responded culturally to colonial penetration.

(c) How did Rammohun Roy criticise social dogmas in his works ?

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Fourth Paper

Second Half

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*1. Answer any two questions :  $15 \times 2 = 30$ 

(a) Give an account of the development of the plantation industry in North Bengal during the 19th and twentieth centuries.

(b) Make a critical review of the historiography of the Sannyasi Rebellion.

(c) Trace the history of migration in North Bengal since 1869.

(d) Examine the impact of the Quit India Movement in different parts of North Bengal.

2. Answer any two of the following :  $5 \times 4 = 20$ 

(a) What led to the British intervention in the affairs of Cooch Behar State ?

(b) Write a brief note on Cooch Behar marriage controversy of 1878.

(c) Write a note on the Jotedari system (Landed gentry) in North Bengal.

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(d) Write a critical note on the Anglo-Cooch Behar Treaty of 1773.

(e) Write a brief note on the timber trade in North Bengal.

(f) Assess the role of women in the Tebhaga movement in North Bengal.

(g) Examine briefly the post-independence reorganisation of North Bengal.

(h) Write a note on the growth of the hill towns in North Bengal.

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(d) Explain in brief the historiography of the Bengal Renaissance.

(e) Write a short note on New Education.

(f) What role did the Press play in displaying reaction in cultural domain ?

(g) The Young Bengal Movement.

(h) Trace the rise and fall of Keshab Chandra Sen.

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## Fifth Paper

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

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1. Answer *any one* of the following : 50

(a) Examine the various types of land-revenue settlements in colonial India. Add a note on its impact upon economy and society.

(b) "The age of reforms means the age of women's emancipation". Argue your contention.

(c) Explain the growth of journalism in India during 1781-1947.

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1. Answer any two questions : 15×2=30
  - a) Do you agree History provides us a rich ground for Co-relation with different subjects. Discuss the relationship between History and geography.
  - b) How would you explain the problem of causation in Historical Research ?
  - c) Discuss the Medieval Indian traditions of historical writings.
  - d) Examine in brief the methods and style of the historical writings of Herodotus.
2. Answer any four of the following : 5×4=20
  - a) Write a note on traditional History Writing.
  - b) Periodization and problems of Periodization in History.
  - c) Marc Bloch and the Historian's craft.
  - d) August Comte and Positivism.
  - e) Relation between History and Literature.
  - f) Abul Fazl and Badauni's ideological differences.
  - g) Can subjectivity in History be eliminated ?
  - h) Assess the importance of footnotes in Historical Research.

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SECOND HALF

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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1. Answer any two of the following : 15×2=30
  - a) Explain the writings of the Cambridge School of Historians.
  - b) Write an essay on the Gender Question.
  - c) Write a note on the Annals School of Historians.
  - d) Write a note on the Marxist Historical writings on Indian National Movement.
2. Write on any four of the following : 5×4=20
  - a) Professor R. C. Majumder's views on the Nationalistic Historical Writings.
  - b) Define Janajati.
  - c) Science and technology as a theme of mainstream history.
  - d) Professor Ranajit Guha's theory on Subaltern history.
  - e) Gayatri Spivak Chakraborty's theory on Post-Modernism.
  - f) Neo-Marxian Historical Writings.
  - g) What was the whig Historiography ?
  - h) Alternative approach to History.

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Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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1. Answer *any two* of the following : 15×2=30
  - a) How did the ideas of John Locke question the liberal vision of the state ?
  - b) Define utilitarianism. Give an account of the opinions of scholars who have viewed this concept of utility from various angles.
  - c) How would you discuss the social basis of Indian Nationalism ? Was it the handmade of a particular class or the result of a wider social consciousness among all classes of India ?
  - d) Briefly discuss the nature of caste movements in South India with special reference to Self-Respect Movement.
2. Write short notes on *any four* of the following : 5×4=20
  - a) Liberal theory of John Stuart Mill.
  - b) Jogesh Ghosh as a positivist.
  - c) Utopian Socialism. [ Turn over
  - d) Varna System.
  - e) Poona Sarvajanik Sabha.
  - f) Suddhi Movement.
  - g) Singh Sabha Movement.
  - h) SNDP.

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SECOND PAPER

FIRST HALF

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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- Answer *any two* questions : 15×2=30
- a) Write an essay on the Republics in ancient India.
  - b) Discuss the theory and practice of Turkish Government in India.
  - c) Discuss the position of women in ancient India.
  - d) What are the essential features of the teachings of Buddha ? How did it differ from that of Jainism.
- Answer *any four* of the following : 5×4=20
- a) Theories of kingship in ancient India.
  - b) Islamic concept of state.
  - c) Varna and Jati.
  - d) Ashramas
  - e) Brahmanas
  - f) Relation of early Buddhism with Vedic Philosophy.
  - g) Teachings of Parsva.
  - h) Delhi Sultanates and the Caliphas.

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THIRD PAPER  
FIRST HALF

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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1. Answer *any two* of questions : 15×2=30
  - a) Describe about the different types of revenue settlements adopted by the British government in India.
  - b) How did Dadabhai Naoroji describe the process of Drain of wealth and what suggestive measures did he offer to plug the loopholes connecting Indian Economy ?
  - c) Describe the sources of Economic History of British India.
  - d) Discuss the objectives, operations and effects of the Mahalwari and Ryotwari settlements during the colonial period.
2. Answer *any four* questions : 5×4=20
  - a) European economic interest in India.
  - b) What was the prime motive behind the introduction of permanent settlement ?

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THIRD PAPER  
SECOND HALF

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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1. Answer *any two* of the following : 15×2=30
  - a) Write a note on the nature and pattern of Industrialisation in India during the second half of the nineteenth century.
  - b) Write an essay on the Tenancy Acts, between 1859-1885.
  - c) Critically estimate the demographic changes since 1871.
  - d) Explain the emergence of the Bengali entrepreneurship with special reference to Dwarka Nath Tagore.
2. Write *any four* of the following : 5×4=20
  - a) De-industrialisation Debate.
  - b) Explain Rural indebtedness.
  - c) Composition of the Industrial Labour.
  - d) Growth of the Hill Towns.

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- e) Famine of 1943.
- f) House of Adamjis and Ispahanis.
- g) Introduction of the plantation industry.
- h) Rise of Middleclass.

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- c) Define the term 'De-industrialization'.
- d) Discuss the position of traditional handicraft industry during the colonial period.
- e) What was the significance of Ryotwari settlement ?
- f) Mention the indian manufactures for external and internal markets.
- g) What were the objectives of Mahalwari settlement ?
- h) Define the term 'Industrial capitalism' ?

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FOURTH PAPER  
FIRST HALF

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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1. Answer *any two* questions : 15×2=30
  - a) Discuss Raja Rammohan Roy's ideas and experiments in bringing about social reforms of 19th century Bengal. 15
  - b) Examine the issues involved in the Anglicist-Orientalist controversy. Find out the reasons for the success of the Anglicists. 10+5
  - c) Do you think that 'colonial cultural penetration' had, in anyway, changed the milieu of 19th century Bengal? 15
  - d) Explain the debates on the partition of Bengal 1905. 15
2. Write short notes on *any four* of the following : 5×4=20
  - a) Fort William College as a centre of Oriental Studies.
  - b) Raja Rammohan Roy's attitude towards the British Raj.
  - c) Ramkrishna Mission.
  - d) Bengal Theatre and Cultural response to Colonial Penetration.

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FOURTH PAPER  
SECOND HALF

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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1. Answer *any two* questions : 15×2=30
  - a) Examine the historicity of the term North Bengal or Uttar Banga.
  - b) Examine in brief the colonial cultural imperialism in the princely state of Coochbehar. What was the response of the people?
  - c) Trace in brief the background of the Rajbanshi Kshatriya movement.
  - d) Analyse the impact of the swadeshi movement in different parts of North Bengal.
2. Answer *any four* of the following : 5×4=20
  - a) Jute plantation in North Bengal.
  - b) Rajbanshi Kshatriya Samiti.
  - c) Composition of the Tribal Population.

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- d) Ijaradary system of Cooch Behar.
- e) Role of Panchanon Barman as a moderniser of the Rajbanshi Community.
- f) Role of Helen Lepcha in the freedom movement.
- g) Non Regulation System.
- h) Outbreak of the Non Co-operation movement in North Bengal.

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- e) Bengal School of Painting.
- f) Role of the Moderates in the repeal of Partition of Bengal, 1905.
- g) Bengalis' identity in the Swadeshi Movement of Bengal.
- h) Conflict within Bengal Renaissance analysed by Sushabhan Sarkar.

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FIFTH PAPER

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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1. Answer **any one** of the following : 50
- a) Give an account of the growth of the vernacular literature in Colonial India.
  - b) Write essay on the Industrialisation in India during 1853-1964.
  - c) Write an essay on the social and religious reform movement of the 19th and 20th centuries.