

**M.A., M.Sc. Part - II (Annual) Examination, 2013
(Under DE Stream)**

HISTORY

FIRST PAPER

(First Half)

Time - Two Hours

Full Marks - 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

15×2=30

(a) Throw light on subjectivity/objectivity debate in History.

(b) Discuss the relation of history with geography and economics.

(c) Discuss the theme and content, method and style of historical writings of Thucydides and assess him as a historian.

(d) What are the chief features of Pre-Mughal Indo-Muslim Historiography ?

2. Write short notes on *any four* of the following :

5×4=20

- (a) Meaning of History
 - (b) History as Art
 - (c) History and Ethics
 - (d) Theories of causation
 - (e) Herodotus
 - (f) *Ramacharita*
 - (g) D.D. Kosambi
 - (h) Abul Fazal.
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(Second Half)

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1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

15×2=30

(a) Write an essay on the Nationalist school of historiography.

(b) Make a critical review on the writings of the Imperialist school of historians

(c) In what way "the environment" can be a theme of mainstream historical study ?

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

2. Write notes on *any four* of the following :

5 × 4 = 20

- (a) The Whig historiography
 - (b) Fernand Braudel
 - (c) William Jones
 - (d) Issue of 'gender' in Indian history
 - (e) R.C. Dutt as an economic historian
 - (f) Positivism
 - (g) *Varna* in Indian history
 - (h) *Janajati* as a theme of history.
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SECOND PAPER

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1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

15×2=30

(a) Discuss the concept of kingship in ancient India.

(b) Trace the origin and development of Buddhism in the 6th century B.C.

(c) Analyse Ghiyas-ud-din Balban's concept of kingship.

(d) How did the state dominate over religion during the rule of Ala-ud-din Khalji ?

2. Write in short on *any four* of the following :

5×4 20

- (a) Social implication of the *Dwija*
 - (b) *Gana-rajya*
 - (c) *Atharva Veda*
 - (d) Yoga school of Indian philosophy
 - (e) *Varna*
 - (f) Abul Fazl's concept of monarchy
 - (g) Rajput policy of Akbar.
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SECOND PAPER

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1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

15×2=30

(a) Critically discuss various forms of socialism.

(b) Give a pen-picture of "utilitarianism" as propounded by Jeremy Bentham

(c) Give an account of the socio-religious movement of Bengal with special reference to the contributions of Raja Ram Mohan Roy to it.

(d) Make a review on the life and thoughts of Dayananda Saraswati and his principles of Arya Samaj.

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

- (a) John Locke and his liberal ideas.
 - (b) Ideas of Auguste Comte.
 - (c) Secularism in Indian Tradition.
 - (d) The Satya Sodhak Samaj.
 - (e) Narayan Guru Swami and his ideas of "non-violent social revolution".
 - (f) Prarthana Samaj.
 - (g) Sing Sabha Movement
 - (h) Fundamentalism in modern India.
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THIRD PAPER

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1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

15×2=30

(a) Discuss the contrasting views of Marxist, Nationalist and Colonialist on the nature of Indian Economy

(b) Define Mercantilism. Discuss the changing European economic interests in India during this period

(c) Do you agree that the colonial policies led to impoverishment of Agriculture sector ? Discuss with regional variations

(d) Discuss mechanism, magnitude and effects of Drain of Wealth on Indian Economy

2. Answer *any four* of the following : 5×4=20

(a) Discuss briefly the debate of over de-industrialization.

(b) Examine in brief the Ryotwari settlement system.

(c) Write a short note on indigenous banking system.

(d) Examine in brief the Mahalwari settlement system.

(e) Discuss briefly the consequences of periodic settlement.

(f) Discuss briefly the question of 'growth' in the pre-colonial Indian economy.

(g) What were the consequences of economic drain ?

(h) Discuss briefly the problems faced by the handicraft industry during colonial period.

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THIRD PAPER

(Second Half)

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1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

15×2=30

(a) What were the contributory factors leading to the emergence of modern industry during the colonial rule in India ?

(b) Make an assessment of the famine policy of the British during your period of study

(c) Trace the issues involved in the trade union movements of India during British rule.

(d) Explain critically the gradual development of banking system during the colonial period.

2. Write notes on *any four* of the following :

5×4=20

- (a) Commercialisation of Indian agriculture.
 - (b) Change in the social composition of industrial labour.
 - (c) Nature of India's foreign trade up to World War I.
 - (d) R.C. Dutt and his views on "Drain Theory".
 - (e) Trend of population growth during 1872-1941.
 - (f) Taxation policy of the colonial government.
 - (g) Evolution of provincial finance in colonial India.
 - (h) Urbanization in the 20th century India.
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FOURTH PAPER

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1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

15×2=30

(a) How did the Bengalis react to partition politics of Bengal (1905-1911) ?

(b) How far did the Bengali press prove to be an instrument of political propaganda in 19th century Bengal ?

(c) Critically discuss the historical significance of the Bengal Pact, 1923

(d) Write a note on the political development in Bengal during 1905-1940

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FOURTH PAPER

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1. Answer *any two* of the following questions :

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(a) Discuss the land revenue system of North Bengal introduced by the colonial government.

(b) Critically analyse the factors leading to the outbreak of the Sannyasi Rebellion

(c) How did the migration affect the demographic pattern of North Bengal during the period of your study ?

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

2. Write short notes on *any four* of the following :

5×4=20

- (a) Indigo industry in North Bengal.
 - (b) Jotedary system
 - (c) Tribal settlement in North Bengal.
 - (d) Social upward mobility movement of the Rajbangshis.
 - (e) Coochbehar marriage controversy
 - (f) Role of women in the Tebhaga Movement.
 - (g) Jiru Santal.
 - (h) Forest Act of 1865.
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FIFTH PAPER

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

50×1=50

(a) Write an elaborate note on the De-industrialisation Debate.

(b) Write an essay on the women's emancipation and empowerment movement in colonial India.

(c) Examine the various types of land-revenue settlement in colonial India and its impact.