

2016

HISTORY - PAPER - II

Time Allowed : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 200

If the questions attempted are in excess of the prescribed number, only the questions attempted first up to the prescribed number shall be valued and the remaining ones ignored.

Answers may be written either in English or in Bengali but all answers must be in one and the same language.

Group - A

Answer Question No.1 and any two from the rest.

1. Answer any one question :-

- (a) Analyse the impact of colonial rule on Indian agrarian economy with special reference to the Permanent Settlement in Bengal and Ryotwari Settlement in Madras. 20
- (b) What were the main issues of social reform movements in India in the nineteenth century ?
- (c) Define and explain economic nationalism in India with reference to a few concrete issues in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. 20

2. Write a critical note on the De-industrialization in India with special reference to its causation, course and overall impact on the economy. 40

3. How would you explain Gandhi's rise to power ? What major changes do you notice in Indian nationalism after the coming of Gandhi ? 40

4. Write an essay on the depressed caste movements in India in the twentieth century with special reference to Ambedkar's role in it. 40

Group - B

Answer Question No.5 and any two from the rest.

5. Answer any one question

(a) Identify the salient features of European Enlightenment in the eighteenth century and their historical impact.

(b) "No war is inevitable until it breaks out" Do you agree with this view of the origin of the First World War ?

(c) How would you explain the Chinese Revolution of 1949 ? What were its long-term effects ? 20

6. In what respects of causation, course and effects the Industrial Revolution in Europe and Japan in the nineteenth century did differ from those in England in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries ? 40

7. Write a critical note on the phenomenal changes in African history in the twentieth century with special reference to the origin, development and end of Apartheid. 40

8. How would you explain the origin and development of Cold War ? How would you explain detente and the final end of the Cold War ? 40