

MSC(O)/HS-I/19

2019
HISTORY
PAPER-I

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.

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

Group-A

1. Answer any three questions:

10×3=30

- ☒ (a) Examine the importance of archaeology for the re-construction of ancient Indian history.
- ☒ (b) How would you explain the urban characteristics of the Harappan civilization?
- ☒ (c) Bring out the elements of continuity and change between the early Vedic and the later Vedic cultures.
- (d) Explain the growth of Indo-Roman trade in ancient India.

2. Answer any two questions:

20×2=40

- ☒ (a) Analyse the transition from the formation of territorial states (Sixteen Mahajanapadas) to the rise of Magadhan imperialism.
- ☒ (b) How did Asoka's policies and reforms contribute to the fall of the Mauryan empire?
- (c) Discuss the growth of temple architecture in South India.
- (d) Write an essay on the caste system in ancient India.

3. Answer any one of the following question:

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- (a) Discuss the growth of science and technology in ancient India.
- ☒ (b) Explain the causes of the downfall of the Gupta empire.
- (c) Write an essay on the trade guilds in ancient India.

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Group-B

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4. Answer any three questions:

(a) Assess the cultural significance of the Bhakti movement.

~~(b)~~ Account for the introduction of the market control regulations by Alauddin Khilji.

~~(c)~~ Give an account of the Mughal-Afghan contest for supremacy in medieval India.

~~(d)~~ How far was Akbar's Rajput policy politically expedient?

20×2=40

5. Answer any two questions:

~~(a)~~ Why did Muhammad-bin-Tughlaq occupy a special place in the history of medieval India?

(b) How did Bengal flourish under the rulers of the Illyas Shahi dynasty?

~~(c)~~ Assess critically the land revenue administration under the Mughals.

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6. Write an Essay on any one of the following:

(a) The progress of Mughal architecture

~~(b)~~ Debate on the theocratic nature of the Delhi Sultanate

(c) The 18th Century Debate