

**63/1 (SEM-5) DSE2/HISHE5026**

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( Held in 2023 )

**HISTORY**

Paper : HISHE5026

( **Ethnohistory of the Bodos** )

*Full Marks : 80*

*Pass Marks : 32*

*Time : 3 hours*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Choose the correct answer of the following :

1×6=6

(a) Ethnohistory is a

(i) methodology

(ii) source

(iii) subject

(iv) discipline

(b) Which one of the following tribes is not a Bodo ethnic group?

(i) Kokborok

(ii) Dimasa

(iii) Ahom

(iv) Garo

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- (c) Who was the author of the book, *The Kacharis* ?
- S. K. Chatterji
  - Rev. Sidney Endle
  - Sir Edward Gait
  - B. H. Hodgson
- (d) Bodo language belongs to
- Santhali
  - Tibeto-Burman
  - Nepali
  - Austric
- (e) The female dancer of the Kherai worship is called as
- Oja
  - Doudini
  - Bwirathi
  - Douri
- (f) Which one of the following is not related to weaving implements?
- Spinning
  - Thread
  - Bamboo sticks
  - Knife

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2. Answer the following questions : 2×5=10
- What do you mean by ethnohistory?
  - Write any two traditional social offense laws of the Bodos.
  - Mention any two roles of Douri.
  - Write any two food habits of the Bodos.
  - Mention any two tools commonly used as weights and measures by the Bodos in the past.
3. Answer any six of the following questions : 5×6=30
- Discuss briefly the sources of the Kiratas.
  - Briefly highlight the origin of the Bodos.
  - Write a note on dialects of the Bodos.
  - Throw light on the family life of the Bodos.
  - Write a note on 'Garja Puja'.
  - Write a note on 'Kachari Dooars'.
  - Describe briefly the traditional hunting of the Bodos.

- (h) Write a note on silkworm rearing of Bodo women.
- (i) Discuss the economic activities of the Bodos in the Brahmaputra Valley.

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

10×2=20

- (a) Describe briefly the origin and growth of ethnohistory.
- (b) Discuss the migration and settlement of the Bodos.
- (c) Discuss the 'Hathasuni Khurnai' (traditional marriage) system of the Bodos.

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 14

- (a) What is the traditional religion of the Bodos? Evaluate the influence of the traditional religions of the Bodos in their cultural life.
- (b) Discuss the position of the women in the Bodo society.

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