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**HISTORY**

Paper : HISHC 1016

**(Introduction to History)**

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : Three hours

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

1. Choose the correct option from the following :  
**(any six)** 1×6=6

(a) Name the author of the book, *What is History*.

(i) Lord Acton

(ii) E. H. Carr

(iii) Allen Nevins

(iv) Henry Ford

Contd.

(b) Who among the following was not a Marxist historian ?

- (i) Bipan Chandra
- (ii) R. C. Mazumder
- (iii) Romila Thapar
- (iv) D. D. Kosambi

(c) Name the historian who is known as the 'Father of History'.

- (i) Thucydides
- (ii) Hegel
- (iii) Herodotus
- (iv) A. L. Lowse

(d) Who defined history as 'The unfolding Story of human freedom'?

- (i) Lord Acton
- (ii) Voltaire
- (iii) R. W. Emerson
- (iv) Francis Bacon

(e) Who was the author of *Rajtarangini* ?

- (i) Bilhana
- (ii) Kalhana
- (iii) Hemchandra
- (iv) Padmagupta

(f) Which country was the pioneer in defining History ?

- (i) Persian
- (ii) Roman
- (iii) Indian
- (iv) Greek

(g) Who was the author of *Tabaqat-i-Nasiri* ?

- (i) Amir Khusrau
- (ii) Zia Barani
- (iii) Minhaj-i-Siraj
- (iv) Firdausi

(h) When did the school of subaltern studies emerged in India ?

- (i) 1970
- (ii) 1980
- (iii) 1990
- (iv) 1981

(i) Adam Smith's *Wealth of Nation* belongs to which category of history ?

(i) Social History

(ii) Intellectual History

(iii) Economic History

(iv) Political History

(j) "History is a discipline which makes man wise." Who said this ?

(i) Aristotle

(ii) Thomas Carlyle

(iii) Francis Bacon

(iv) Sir John Seeley

2. Answer the following questions : **(any five)**  
2×5=10

(a) Write in brief about Social History.

(b) Write the names of *two* autobiographies of Mughal Period.

(c) What are Primary Sources ?

(d) What is the meaning of Imperialist Historiography ?

(e) Mention *two* contributions of Thucydides in history writing.

(f) Mention *two* problems of early Indian historiography.

(g) What are the *two* types of literary Sources ?

3. Answer the following questions : **(any six)**  
5×6=30

(a) Write a note on Economic History.

(b) "History means interpretation." Explain the Statement.

(c) What were the chief features of the Graeco-Roman historiography ? Discuss.

(d) Write a brief note on objectivity in history.

(e) Discuss the interrelation between Geography and History.

(f) Bring out the Salient feature of medieval Indian historiography.

(g) Discuss the importance of Puranas as a source of Ancient Indian history.

(h) What are the three dimensions of history ? How can we understand it Properly ?

- (i) Write a note on the political history.
- (j) Write a short note on Damodor Dharmananda Kosambi.

4. Answer of the following questions : **(any two)**  
10×2=20

- (a) Trace the development of historiography in Assam.
- (b) Bring out the salient features of Indian Nationalistic historiography.
- (c) Examine the meaning and nature of history.
- (d) Examine the role of archeology in reconstruction of Ancient Indian history.

5. Answer the following questions : **(any one)**  
14×1=14

- (a) Examine the main features of Medieval Indian historiography.
- (b) What do you understand by the term 'Subaltern Historiography'? Examine different Phases of its development in India.

- (c) "China has been Called the Paradise of historians." Explain the statement with reference to the Chinese historiography.