

**2012****M.A.****1st Semester Examination****HISTORY****PAPER—HIS-103**

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

Answer all questions

**Group—A**

1. The Regulating Act was intended ..... to be a temporary settlement preparing the ground for a more permanent and comprehensive reorganisation when the company's charter would come up for renewal in 1780". How did the Pitt's India Act of 1784 provide a solution for the problems posed by the East India Company? 10

Or

How did the British, who looked at themselves as "inheritors rather than innovators", justify their "paternalism" in the early phase of their conquest of India? 10

(Turn Over)

2. Discuss the significant social reforms initiated by the colonial rulers in 19th century India. 10

Or

What were the characteristic educational changes brought about by colonial intervention in Bengal in the 19th century? 10

**Group—B**

3. Give a brief account of how colonialism induced commercialisation of agriculture in India. 10

Or

"The political history of north India, 1757-1857, complicate the task of surveying its economy." In the light of the above statement analyse the continuity and changes in the trade pattern of north India in the above-mentioned period. 10

4. Is the theory of deindustrialisation in colonial India a 'myth'? 10

Or

Would you say that a more favourable governmental attitude would have helped the modern cotton industry to develop faster and greater in colonial India? 10

**[Internal Assessment : 10 Marks]**

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