

**2008**

**M.A.**

**1st Semester Examination**

**HISTORY**

**PAPER—HI-1101**

**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.*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

**Group-A**

1. Discuss the nature of change in the political organization of the Vedic period from tribal to monarchical form of polity. 10

*Or*

With reference to changes in social structure explain how the status of the king of Vedic period changed from Gopati to Bhupati. 10

2. Discuss the conditions that gave rise to large territorial states in the post-vedic period. 10

*Or*

*(Turn Over)*

Explain the relation between the treasury, the state's need for revenue, and territorial state formation. What is understood by *Rakshak* and *Bhakshak* relationship?

10

**Group-B**

3. Explain the six main characteristics which have been identified with early medieval Indian social and political formation. 10

Or

Explain how have scholars (R. S. Sharma) described the process of change that led to the formation of feudal state and society. 10

4. Discuss the factors that shaped the condition for the growth of state in early history of South India. 10

Or

Discuss the scholarly views regarding the nature of the Chola state. 10

[Internal Assessment — 10]

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