

**2008**

**M.A.**

**1st Semester Examination**

**HISTORY**

**PAPER—HI-1103**

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. What were the inadequacies of the Regulating Act of 1773 that the Pitt's India Act of 1784 seek to remove? What trends did it set for future parliamentary intrusion into the English East India Company's affairs in India?

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*Or*

How did the British attempt to establish universal principles of jurisprudence in India, and with what effects on the ordinary person?

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2. How did contemporary European ideas influence social policy making in colonial India?

10

*(Turn Over)*

Or

What were the motives behind the introduction of western education in India. Discuss, with reference to colonial education policy as it evolved between 1813 and 1882. 10

**Group-B**

3. Was there a change in the nature of English East India Company's trading activities in Bengal after 1757? 10

Or

Why did Lord Cornwallis opt for Permanent settlement in 1793? How did it affect the zamindars and peasants of Bengal? 10

4. Review the development of the modern cotton industry in India during the colonial period. 10

Or

Why did the railways fail to contribute towards a structural change in the India economy during British rule? 10

[Internal Assessment — 10]

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