

2011

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.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Answer all questions.

Group-A

1. Show the differences in British attitude towards annexation in India before and after 1857. 10

Or

Why, and with what effects, did the British Parliament intervene in the East India Company's affairs in India between 1773 and 1858? 10

2. What were the major social reforms initiated by the British in Bengal in the 19th and the 20th Centuries?

Or

Discuss the important educational landmarks in colonial Bengal, with special reference to female education and medical science. 10

Group-B

3. Why did the British opt for a Ryotwari Settlement in the Madras Presidency? How did it impact upon the agrarian society in the region? 10

Or

Discuss the regional variations in the East India Company's trade in India in the 18th century. 10

4. How does the TISCO experience help explain the failure of industrialisation in India during the colonial period? 10

Or

Explain with particular reference to locomotive purchase policy, how railways became a weapon of economic imperialism in colonial India. 10

[Internal Assessment — 10]
