

M.A. Part-II Examination, 2013

HISTORY

PAPER—VIII

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 hours

Answer any six questions

The questions are of equal value

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

1. How have historians assessed the character of the Indian 'renaissance' in the 19th Century ?
2. Was Rammohan Roy ambivalent in his social political and economic thinking ?
3. Why has Vidyasagar been called a 'traditional modernizer' ?

4. Discuss the contribution of Sir Syed Ahmed Khan in the regeneration among Indian Muslims in the 19th century.
5. Explain the role of the British Government in the growth of communalism in colonial India.
6. How did Ambedkar address the issue of untouchability ?
7. Why did the colonial government opt for a Ryotwari system in Southern India ?
8. How did the cultivation of jute affect the Bengal peasantry ?
9. Did a class of landless labourer emerge in India due to the imposition of colonial rule ?
10. Briefly discuss the growth of the modern cotton industry in colonial India ? What were the constraints that it faced in a colonial situation ?

11. Why did the colonial industrial policy in India undergo a change after the First World War and to what extent ?
 12. Why did the railways fail to bring about an economic transformation in colonial India ?
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