

2016

M. Phil.

2nd Semester Examination

HISTORY

COURSE NO.—HIS-211

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.

Unit - 1

1. How has Ashis Nandy argued that “in the modern world, the politics of childhood begins with the fact that maturity, adulthood, growth and development are important values in the dominant culture of the world”?

10

Or

Discuss the social significance of the moral values in Pandit Kalikrisna Bhattacharya's early 20th Century textbook for boys, *Banger Ratnamala*.

10

(Turn Over)

2. How would you explain the emergence of a "New" idea of childhood and attitude towards children in colonial Bengali society? 10

Or

What paternal attitude is revealed in the image of the girl child in Bengali children's literature of the colonial period? Discuss with special reference to the magazine *Sakha*. 10

[*Internal Assessment* — 5]

Unit - 2

1. Critically discuss the recent trends in writing the history of tribes in India. 10

Or

Are there any change in the nature of tribal movements from the colonial to the post-colonial period? Discuss with examples. 10

2. Discuss the impact of colonial intervention on tribal economy. 10

Or

Who were the 'criminal tribes'? Discuss the condition of the Koravars of Tamil Nadu mentioning how the Criminal Tribes Acts of 1911 and 1924 led to a transition in their community. 10

[*Internal Assessment* — 5]