

2017

M.A.

1st Semester Examination

HISTORY

PAPER—HIS-103

Subject Code—06

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.

Answer all questions

Group—A

1. How would you assess the term 'Bengal Renaissance'?
Was it a break with tradition or a continuity? 10

Or

To what extent were the nineteenth century Indian social reformers influenced by the ideologies of Orientalism and Utilitarianism? 10

(Turn Over)

2. How has Kenneth Jones characterized a "Socio-religious reform movement"? In this context, discuss the successive stages of the Brahmo movement. 10

Or

Do you think that National regeneration in Colonial India gathered a tremendous momentum with the advent of Ramkrishna movement in the nineteenth century? 10

3. Why did Syed Ahmed Khan stress upon educational reforms among Muslims? How did he argue against the apparent contradiction between Islam and science? 10

Or

Critically analyse the ideological and institutional dimensions of Deoband Movement among the Indian Muslims till the first half of the Twentieth Century. 10

4. Examine the contributions of Begum Rokeya in empowering and enlightening Bengali Muslim women from the patriarchal norms of Muslim society. 10

Or

Would you agree that the debate on Sati was not about Women, but about a particularly Colonial Construction of 'tradition' and 'modernity'? 10

[Internal Assessment : 10 marks]