

2012

M. A.

4th Semester Examination

HISTORY

PAPER—HIS-401

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. Describe the state of historical Knowledge and the status of history as a discipline immediately proceeding the appearance of Marx's writings on history. 10

Or

With reference to Karl Marx's ideas in the original discuss how 'economic interpretation of history' became a major strand of his thought. 10

2. What do you understand by the term 'Determinism' in the context of Marxist historical analysis? Discuss with reference to the 'base and superstructure' model. 10

(Turn Over)

Or

Review the developments in Marxist historical thought at the beginning of 20th century? How did structural thinking attempt to overcome the limitations of determinism? 10

Group—B

3. What is the importance of the Annales school in twentieth century historiography? How did it develop? 10

Or

Discuss the notions of structure, time and events in the Brandelian perspective. 10

4. How has the narrative found its way back in history. 10

Or

Examine the different aspects of everyday life of Montaignou, as analysed by Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie. 10

[Internal Assessment : 10 marks]
