

**2014**

**M.A.**

**2nd Semester Examination**

**HISTORY**

**PAPER—HIS-203**

*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. To what extent does the theory of Economic Growth satisfactorily explain the Industrial Revolution?

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*Or*

Why was there a shortage of capital, labour, and enterprise in France, Germany and Russia prior to the Industrial Revolution? What 'substitutes' helped to overcome the problems created by their shortage?

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*(Turn Over)*

2. How did the political situation in France in the period c. 1750 — c. 1870 influence the nature and growth of industrial capitalism there ? 10

*Or*

How did demographic and agrarian conditions influence the rate of economic growth in 19th Century France ? 10

**Group—B**

3. How did geographical location and politics-social conditions produce features of backwardness in early 19th Century Germany ? 10

*Or*

Discuss the circumstances that led to industrial growth in Germany in the 1850s and 1860s. Briefly discuss the growth in the key industries in this period. 10

4. Analyse the factors responsible for late industrialisation in 19th Century Russia. 10

*Or*

How far did the policies of Russian finance ministers succeed in overcoming the problem of capital in the 19th Century ? 10

**[Internal Assessment : 10 Marks]**

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