

2022

M.A.

2nd Semester Examination (CCAЕ)

HISTORY

PAPER—HIS-203

SOCIAL HISTORY OF COLONIAL INDIA

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Group - A

Answer any four questions.

4×2

1. What are the three 'traditional' types of social history ?

(Turn Over)

2. What is meant by 'Sanskritisation'?
3. Why was the Satya Sodhak Samaj established?
4. What is the difference between family and household?
5. What reasons lay behind the creation of summer capitals in colonial India?
6. Why did the British segregate populations into 'white' and 'black' in colonial towns in India?

Group - B

Answer any *four* questions.

4×4

7. Why can social history not be differentiated from other histories on the basis of subject-matter?
8. Write a brief note on the various features of patriarchy in the Indian context.
9. Do you think that caste was an invention of colonialism or a legacy of Brahmanical traditions?

10. Briefly examine E. V. Ramaswami Naicker's views on the Varnashankara Dharma.
11. In what ways did colonial architecture and planning reflect British political agenda in colonial India?
12. Discuss briefly how urban centres were transformed in 18th century India.

Group - C

Answer any *two* questions. 2×8

13. What are the three major characteristics of 'new' social history, according to E. J. Hobsbawm?
14. Critically review the emergence and growth of caste consciousness and mobility in colonial South India.
15. Describe the inter-relationships between patriarchy, caste and class in India, as summarized in the work of Uma Chakravarti.

16. Critically analyse the emergence and growth of a Presidency town in colonial India.

[Internal assessment – 10]
