

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2023

HISTORY

PAPER – HIS-302

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

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

GROUP – A

Answer any **four** of the following : 2 × 4

1. What conditions did the British Parliament impose upon the East India Company in 1773 ?
2. What were the main clauses of the police regulations of 7 December 1792 ?

3. Why did the government adopt a policy of protective discrimination towards the lower castes in Bengal ?
4. How has Sugata Bose classified commercial agriculture in colonial India ?
5. Which two situations may be characterized as 'deindustrialisation' ?
6. Which three main interests lay behind the building and operation of railways in colonial India ?

GROUP – B

Answer any **four** of the following : 4 × 4

7. What were the various objections against the East India Company in 18th century England ?
8. Discuss briefly the deteriorating socio-economic situation in Bengal in the second half of the 18th century.

9. What educational privileges did the government bestow upon the lower castes in colonial Bengal ?
10. Discuss briefly the debate on commercial agriculture in colonial India.
11. How did Morris and Bagchi differ in their interpretations of the failure of modern, large industry in colonial India ?
12. Discuss, with examples, railway tariff policy in colonial India.

GROUP – C

Answer any **two** of the following : 8 × 2

13. Show how the East India Company engineered a restive situation and there by gained control over legitimate means of coercion in Bengal.
14. Discuss how a colonial policy of caste and protective discrimination was reflected in the sphere of political representation in Bengal.

15. Discuss indigo cultivation as an instance of 'dependent commercialisation' in colonial India.
16. Discuss the vicissitudes of the modern cotton industry in colonial India.

[*Internal Assessment* — 10 Marks]
