

2023

M.A.

4th Semester Examination

HISTORY

PAPER : HIS-401

**(Industrial Revolution : The Nature of the
Industrial Revolution and the English
Experience)**

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.*

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Answer from **all** the Groups as directed.

GROUP—A

Answer *any four* questions from the following :

2×4=8

1. Briefly write how the old industrial system in England was shattered during the second half of the eighteenth century, as described by Arnold Toynbee.

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2. Write a short note on J. U. Nel's interpretation of the chronology of the Industrial Revolution in England.
3. How has Agricultural Revolution been defined?
4. What is meant by Demographic Revolution?
5. Point out the factors that contributed to the development of the modern cotton industry in Lancashire.
6. Who are the authors of the following books?
 - (a) *The First Industrial Revolution*
 - (b) *The Wealth of Nations*

GROUP—B

Answer *any four* questions from the following :

4×4=16

7. In which respect, does the view of J. H. Clapham differ from the traditional explanation of the British Industrial Revolution?
8. Compare the nature of economic growth during the pre-industrial revolution era in England with which resulted from the Industrial Revolution.
9. Elaborate upon the cultivation practices which existed in pre-modern England.

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10. Highlight the various features of the iron industry which distinguished it from the cotton industry during the Industrial Revolution in England.
11. What was 'canal mania'? Examine the importance of canals behind Britain's emergence as a world-class industrial nation.
12. Do you think that a sharp decrease in mortality at the end of the eighteenth century was a result of an improvement of medical skills? Discuss.

GROUP—C

Answer *any two* questions from the following :

8×2=16

13. Discuss how W. W. Rostow explained the process of modern economic growth in terms of 'take off' and 'leading sector'.
14. Why did Herbert Heaton advocate about an industrial 'evolution'? In this connection, analyse Heaton's views on the Industrial Revolution.

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15. Examine the factors which contributed to the development of the Enclosure Movement in England. What was its impact on English rural society?
16. Is it possible to minimize the areas of controversy with regard to the standard of living of the workers in England during the Industrial Revolution?

[Internal Assessment : 10 Marks]

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