

**2017**

**M. A.**

**2nd Semester Examination**

**HISTORY**

**PAPER—HIS-201**

*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.**

- 1. Discuss kingship in the ancient period of Indian history with reference to the incoming of Visapati-Rajan as chief.**

**10**

*Or*

**What is meant by the transition from Gopati to Bhupati? Discuss the post-vedic status of kings.**

**10**

- 2. Examine the conditions that were conducive to the rise of large territorial states.**

**10**

*Or*

*(Turn Over)*

Discuss how Kautilya explained the role of coercion and revenue obligations in territorial state formation. 10

3. Examine the characteristics of the early medieval political system. In what respects did it differ from the monarchical states of classical times? 10

Or

What were the chief characteristics of feudal polity in early medieval India? 10

4. Discuss the history of the early South Indian political system. 10

Or

Critically examine the Nayaka System under the Vijayanagara state administration. 10

*[Internal Assessment : 10 Marks]*

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