

2018

M.A.

Part-I Examination

HISTORY

PAPER—I

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 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.*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

Answer any six questions.

[Questions are of equal value]

1. Discuss the nature and scope of History with the help of various definitions put forward by modern historians.
2. Do you think that interpretation of events is inseparably associated with facts in the scientific exposition of history?
3. How did Ranke and Niebuhr inaugurate a new era in modern historiography?

(Turn Over)

4. Briefly elucidate the Idea of History as described by R. G. Collingwood.
5. Do you agree with J. B. Bury's comment 'History is a Science, no less and more'.
6. Why is G. M. Trevelyan regarded as pioneer in the writing of Social history ?
7. Indicate the major features of Karl Marx's philosophy of history. How did it enrich the growth of scientific materialist school of historical writing ?
8. Analyse the nature and limitations of ancient Indian historiography.
9. Do you consider 'Tabaquat-i-Nasiri' as a serious historical work on early medieval India ?
10. Examine the view of Peter Hardy on Indo-Muslim historiography.
11. How did Rakhaldas Bandyopadhyay enrich the historiography of Ancient India? What were the limitations of his historical works ?
12. How would you assess major historical works of Surendranath Sen on the history of the Marathas.