

2007

HISTORY

PAPER-II

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 hours

The question are of equal- value.

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

Write **the answer to questions of each Group in separate books.**

Answer **six questions taking** any three from each group.

Group-A

1. What were the British administrative attitudes towards India in the first half of the 19th century?
2. **Examine** the different interpretation of the nature of the Revolt of 1857, with special emphasis on the new findings.
3. How could it be argued that ideas regarding 'race' played a vital role in the formation of British attitudes and policies in India after 1857 ?
4. Did the expansion of railways in the 19th century affect traditional mode of irrigation and water conservation in India ?
5. **Discuss** the nature of the Indigo uprising in Bengal and determine its place in the history of the peasant movement.

(Turn Over)

- 6. Analyse the role of middle class leadership in awakening nationalism in colonial India during the pre-congress era.**

Group-B.

7. What was the nature of Muslim opposition to early Congress ? To what extent can the Hindu members be held responsible for the Muslim breakaway.
8. Briefly discuss Bankim Chandra's Philosophy. How would you assess his influence on Entremism ?
9. Determine the various contradicting .and conflicting components of late 19th century and early 20th century Indian life that led to the birth of the Muslim League.
10. Would you argue with. Gail Minault that the Khilafat movement though starting as a pan-Islamic orie, gradually assumed a pan-Indian dimension?
11. Identify the differential impact of the Non-cooperation movement both in its spatial and social dimensions. How. did the revolutionary terrorists of Bengal react to the Gandhian plan of non-violent non-cooperation ?
12. How would you characterise the peasant upsurges and consequent popular movements in the 1940's-an 'unfinished revolution' or an `almost revolution'?