

**2014**

**M. A.**

**4th Semester Examination**

**HISTORY**

**PAPER—HIS-402**

*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**

**Group—A**

1. Attempt a critical review of recent researches on the Environmental history of South Asia 10

*Or*

**"The concept of ecological nationalism links cultural and political aspirations with the programme of nature conservation or environmental protection." In the light of the above observation explain what is meant by ecological nationalism. How does Vinita Damodaran relate this concept with the forest rights of indigeneous people?**

10

*(Turn Over)*

2. How did the British identify the Chotanagpur Plateau area as a tribal space? 10

*Or*

How does Siva Ramakrishnan argue that extermination of wild life in the Junglemahal and contiguous areas helped the British to form a managed landscape out of a wild landscape? 10

**Group—B**

3. Was deforestation in the Ganga-Jamuna doab area in early nineteenth century responsible (as Michel Mann argued) for the climate change of the region? 10

*Or*

What effect did overfishing in the Kerala coast have on the coastal ecology. 10

4. Write a comparative analysis of the success and failure of protest movements against the Hirakund and Silent Valley projects. 10

*Or*

Comment on the debate and discourses on development and disaster regarding Uranium Mining in Meghalaya. 10

**[ Internal Assessment : 10 marks ]**

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