

2022

1st Semester Examination

**HISTORY**

Paper : HIS 103

(Environmental History of India  
in the Anthropocene Age)

Full Marks : 40

Time : Two Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates are required to give their answers  
in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group - A**

Answer any *four* of the following questions :  $5 \times 4 = 20$

1. Write a short note on the concept of Anthropocene.
2. Elaborate on the concept of Desiccationism.
3. Briefly discuss the Grove Thesis.
4. Write a short note on the Forest Act of 1878.
5. Discuss the Adivasi protest against the erosion of traditional forest rights in the South West Bengal.
6. Write a short note on the Chipko Movement.

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**Group - B**

Answer any *two* of the following questions :

10×2=20

7. Critically trace the recent historiographical trends in Environmental History of India.
  8. Critically discuss the chronic occurrence of famines in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Chotanagpur as a result of environmental change.
  9. Do you think that colonialism constituted an 'ecological watershed' in the environmental history of India?
  10. Critically discuss the colonial environmental agendas in India.
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