

**2023**

**M.A.**

**4th Semester Examination**

**HISTORY**

**PAPER : HIS-403**

**( Environmental History of Modern India )**

*Full Marks : 50*

*Time : 2 hours*

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

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

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

*Answer from **all** the Groups as directed.*

**GROUP—A**

Answer *any* **four** questions from the following :

2×4=8

1. What is environmental history?
2. What do you mean by mode of resource use?

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3. What are the key arguments of the annexationists?
4. What was the position of the populist group?
5. Who were pragmatic groups?
6. Mention the key features of the Indian Forest Act, 1927.

### GROUP—B

Answer *any four* questions from the following :

4×4=16

7. Briefly discuss about the mode of resource utilization of agricultural society.
8. What were the key features of the mode of resource utilization of industrial society?
9. Write a short historiographical note on wildlife history.
10. Discuss the colonial initiative that sought to transform a jungly periphery of Assam into a 'garden for lord and man'.
11. Discuss the plant colonialism in the case of tea plantation in Assam.
12. Discuss the forest economy of Adivasi in the 19th century Chota Nagpur.

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GROUP—C

Answer *any two* questions from the following :

8×2=16

13. Critically evaluate the historiography of environmental history.
14. Analyse the environmental causes of 1897 famine in Chota Nagpur.
15. Critically describe Maniram Dewan's role in the establishment of Assam Tea Company.
16. How do you locate the colonial hunting of wild animals as sports?

[ Internal Assessment : 10 Marks ]



