

M.A. 3rd Semester End Examination (Special), March -2024

Subject: History

HST3.01: Indian Historiographical Traditions

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

All questions carry equal marks

1. (a) How far we can rely on the facts, mentioned in Puranas and Itihasa? State your opinion. 12
Or
(b) Critically discuss the concepts of Banabhatta's Harshacharita. 12
2. (a) Critically examine Abul Fazl's approach to historiography. 12
Or
(b) Examine the contribution of Alberuni towards Medieval historiography. 12
3. (a) Discuss the contributions of Vincent Smith and W.W. Hunter as colonial historians. 12
Or
(b) Discuss the contributions of Colebrook and Maxmuller in the development of Indological studies. 12
4. (a) Discuss the growth of Subaltern School of historiography. 12
Or
(b) Discuss the growth of Nationalist historiography with reference to the contributions made by R.C. Majumdar. 12
5. (a) Write short notes on any two of the following: 6 + 6 = 12
(i) Assamese chronicles
(ii) Biographical works of Vaishnava saints
(iii) Vamsavalis
Or
(b) Briefly write about the Modern historiographical traditions of Assam with special reference to the Assamese periodicals. 12
