

FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

**First Semester MA History Degree Examination, November 2022****MHS1C01 – Modern Historiography and Method**

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Weightage : 30

**Part A (short answer type)****Answer any four questions. Weightage for each question is two**

1. 'New Science'
2. Micro History
3. "Martin Luther, A Destiny"
4. Historical Truth
5. Plagiarism
6. Glossary
7. 'No Document History No History'

**(4x2=8 Weightage)****PART B (Short Essay Type)****Answer any four questions. Weightage for each question is three**

8. Evaluate the features of Enlightenment Historiography.
9. Critically examine the contributions of Berlin Revolution to the Modern Historiography
10. "All History is Contemporary History", Comment.
11. Explain the significance of hypothesis in Historical Research.
12. Differentiate Internal and External Criticism in Historical Research.
13. Discuss Fernand Braudel's concept of 'Historical Time'
14. Examine the importance of 'Local History' in the writing of History

**(4x3=12 Weightage)****PART C (Essay Type)****Answer any two questions. Weightage for each question is five**

15. Write an essay on the contributions of Positivist tradition to Historical writing.
16. What is Generalization? Discuss its importance and typologies.
17. Analyse the importance of inter disciplinary approach in Historical writing
18. Explain the purpose and various steps related with the formulation of a Synopsis in Historical Research.

**(2x5=10Weightage)**

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**MHS1C02 – Pre – Colonial Kerala : Problems & Perspectives**  
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Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

**PART A (Short Answers)**  
**Answer any four questions.**  
**Weightage of each question is 2.**

- 1) Jewish Copper plates
- 2) *Kanam*
- 3) *Manigramam*
- 4) *Thalickettu Kalyanam*
- 5) *Kooruvaazhcha*
- 6) Nediirippu Svarupam
- 7) *Sanketam*

(4x2 = 8 weightage)

**Part B (Short Essays)**  
**Answer any four of the following questions.**  
**Weightage of each question is 3.**

- 8) Discuss the structure of Naduvazhi Svarupams.
- 9) Critically examine the role of Brahmins in the power structure of pre-Colonial Kerala.
- 10) Discuss the various forms of land control existed in medieval Kerala.
- 11) Examine the historical significance of Indo-Roman trade.
- 12) Examine the nature of Chinese contacts of Malabar.
- 13) Discuss the problem of slavery and agrestic labour in pre-modern Kerala.
- 14) Examine the problem of *Pulappedi* and *Mannappedi*.

(4x3 = 12 weightage)

**Part C (Essays)**  
**Answer any two of the following questions.**  
**Weightage of each question is 5.**

- 15) Examine the representation of women in *Manipravalam* works and *Vadakkan pattukal*.
- 16) Critically assess the theories on the origin and growth of *Jati* groups in pre-modern Kerala.
- 17) Analyse the economy of early Tamilakam in the context of *Tinai*.
- 18) Critically assess the nature of Chera state of medieval period.

(2x5 = 10 weightage)

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MHS1C03 – Themes in Indian Historiography

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Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

**PART-A (Short Answer Type)****Answer any four questions****Weightage for each question is 2**

1. Danastuti
2. Prashasti
3. Badayuni
4. Alexander Dow
5. William Jones
6. Ranajit Guha
7. Michel Foucault

**(4 x 2 = 8 Weightage)****PART-B (Paragraph Type)****Answer any four questions****Weightage for each question is 3**

8. How did the Puranas narrate the history of India?
9. Trace the evolution of historical sense in ancient India
10. Discuss the idea of the sangam Age
11. Assess Ziauddin Barani as a historian of Medieval India
12. Assess the nature of colonial historiography
13. Examine the contribution of D.D. Kosambi to Indian historiography
14. What is subaltern school of historiography?

**(4 x 3 = 12 Weightage)****PART-C (Essay Type)****Answer any two questions****Weightage for each question is 5**

15. Explain the social and historical conscience in the Itihasa-Purana traditions.
16. Do you think that the nationalist historians did save Indian Historiography from colonial distortions?
17. Discuss the peculiarities of Medieval Indian historiography.
18. Sketch the characteristics of Marxist historiography.

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MHS1C04 – Ancient Indian History- Select debates

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Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

**PART A (Short Answers)**  
**Answer any four questions.**  
**Weightage of each question is 2.**

- 1) Rakhigarhi excavations
- 2) Gandhara Grave Culture
- 3) *Gana Sanghas*
- 4) Harappan Seals
- 5) *Indica* of Megasthenes
- 6) *Velir*
- 7) *Marutham*

**(4x2 = 8 weightage)**

**Part B (Short Essays)**  
**Answer any four of the following questions.**  
**Weightage of each question is 3.**

- 8) How ancient DNA research contributed in understanding Harappan culture?
- 9) Critically examine the seven castes of Megasthenes.
- 10) Examine the nature of *Janapada* polity.
- 11) What are the features of second urbanization in India?
- 12) Examine the concept of Kali age crisis.
- 13) Critically evaluate the indigenous nature of Tamil culture.
- 14) Examine the debate on Aryan invasion theory.

**(4x3 = 12 weightage)**

**Part C (Essays)**  
**Answer any two of the following questions.**  
**Weightage of each question is 5.**

- 15) Do you think Asokan *Dhamma* caused the decline of Mauryas? Substantiate.
- 16) Critically assess the nature of Harappan state and society.
- 17) Analyse the major arguments for and against Indian feudalism.
- 18) Discuss the major features of the polity of the Muvendars.

**(2x5 = 10 weightage)**