

FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

First Semester MA History Degree Examination, November 2023

MHS1C01 – Modern Historiography and Method

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Max. weightage : 30

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

1. 'Scienza Nuova'
2. Local History
3. 'Historians Craft'
4. Seminar
5. Historical Evidence
6. Index
7. Bibliography

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

8. Examine the Philosophy of Anti-cartesianism
9. Write a note on History of Mentalities
10. Bring out the contribution of Auguste Comte in Scientific Understanding of Historical Writing.
11. Explain the formulation of a Synopsis in Historical Research
12. Examine the significance of 'Micro history' in writing of history
13. "Complete Objectivity is impossible in History" Substantiate.
14. Discuss the New approach introduced by Annales School in Historical Writing.

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

15. Critically evaluate the contributions of Leopold Von Ranke to the Modern Historiography.
16. Differentiate Heuristics and Hermeneutics ? Analyse its importance in Historical Research.
17. Examine the significance of Generalization in Historical Research
18. Define inter disciplinary approach ? Analyse its importance in the craft of writing history.

(2x5=10 Weightage)

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First Semester MA History Degree Examination, November 2023
MHS1C02 – Pre – Colonial Kerala : Problems & Perspectives
 (2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

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

- 1) *Viruththi*
- 2) *Tarisappalli copper plates*
- 3) *Cherikkal lands*
- 4) *Anchuvannam*
- 5) *Mannappedi*
- 6) *Perumpadappu Svarupam*
- 7) *Brahmasvam*

(4x2 = 8 weightage)

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

- 8) Discuss the emergence of Nediyrippu Svarupam as the kingdom of Kozhikode.
- 9) Critically evaluate the concept of 'Hundred Years War' proposed by Elamkulam Kunjan Pillai.
- 10) Discuss the nature of Arab-Kerala contact in medieval period.
- 11) Discuss the role of Indian ocean in the making of Kerala history.
- 12) How the Nambuthiri patriarchy restricted the freedom of women by *Smarthavicharam*.
- 13) Discuss the problem of gender in *Sankarasmriti*.
- 14) What is the "Cultural Symbiosis" thesis ? To what extent do you agree with this thesis.

(4x3 = 12 weightage)

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

- 15) Examine the *Janmam-Kanam maryada* existed in medieval Kerala.
- 16) Analyse the problem of slavery and agrestic labour in pre-modern Kerala.
- 17) Examine the society of early Tamilakam in the context of *Tinai*.
- 18) Critically examine the status of women in pre-modern Kerala.

(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. Ziauddin Barani
2. Abdul Qadir Badauni
3. William Jones
4. Charles Wilkins
5. D D Kosambi
6. Eurocentrism in history
7. Colonial ethnography

(4 x 2 = 8 Weightage)

PART-B (Paragraph Type)

Answer any four questions

Weightage for each question is 3

8. Describe the concept of time in ancient India.
9. Examine the significance of Buddhist literature?
10. Analyze the themes and socio-cultural insights found in *Sangam* poetry.
11. Explore the concept of 'Tinai' in *Sangam* literature and its profound influence.
12. Discuss the historical and cultural contexts that gave rise to Rajput literature, and analyze its key themes.
13. Examine the enduring significance of Vijayanagara literature in the history of South Indian history and literature.
14. Discuss the basic concept of subaltern 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 tradition.
16. Briefly explain the major historical trends of the medieval period.
17. Bring out the nature and features of colonial historiography.
18. Analyse the principles of historical materialism.

(2x5=10 Weightage)

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MHS1C04 – Ancient Indian History- Selected debates

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

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

- 1) Cemetery H Culture
- 2) Megasthenes
- 3) *Ventur*
- 4) NBPW Culture
- 5) Ancient DNA
- 6) Kosala
- 7) D.D. Kosambi

(4x2 = 8 weightage)

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

- 8) Discuss the problem of Indus-Saraswati civilization.
- 9) Discuss the *Saptanga* theory of state.
- 10) Assess the role of land grants in the transition of early Indian society.
- 11) What are the features of Asokan *Dhamma*?
- 12) Examine various aspects of *Tinai* concept.
- 13) Analyse the debate on Aryan invasion theory.
- 14) Discuss the various perspectives on the nature of Indus script.

(4x3 = 12 weightage)

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

- 15) Discuss the debate on the nature of Mauryan state.
- 16) Critically assess the causes of the decline of Harappan civilisation.
- 17) Do you think that there was Feudalism in Indian History.
- 18) Discuss the major features of the *Mahajanapada* polity.

(2x5 = 10 weightage)