

FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

First Semester MA History Degree Examination, November 2020

MHS1C01 – Modern Historiography and Method

(2020 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

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

1. Edward Gibbon
2. GiambattistaVico
3. Historical Positivism
4. Beneditto Croce
5. Historical Facts
6. Causation in History
7. Glossary

(2 x 4= 8 Weightage)

PART-B (Short Essay Type)
Answer any FOUR questions
Weightage for each question is 3

8. Impact of Enlightenment in Historiography
9. Is history a subjective discipline? Justify your position.
10. Distinguish between qualitative and quantitative methods of research.
11. Where do you locate Fernand Braudel in Annales historiography?
12. Why is local history significant?
13. How do you identify a research problem in history?
14. Elaborate the term *Hermeneutics*.

(3 x 4= 12 Weightage)

PART-C (Essay Type)
Answer any TWO questions
Weightage for each question is 5

15. Explore the multiple versions of Positivism.
16. What are the limitations of Empirical method of research in history?
17. “Annales paradigm reset the agenda of historical research”. Comment.
18. How far research in history is different from other disciplines?

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MHS1C02 – Problems of Pre-Colonial Kerala

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Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

PART A

Answer Any Four questions.

Weightage for Each Question is 2

1. *Tolkappiyam*
2. Jewish Copper Plate
3. *Nalu Tali*
4. *Manigramam*
5. *Sambandham*
6. *Sankara Smriti*
7. Ma Huan

(4x2 = 8 weightage)

PART B (Paragraph Type)

Answer any FOUR questions.

Weightage for Each Question is 3

8. Account on the views of Kesavan Veluthatt regarding the nature of Perumal State.
9. Briefly discuss the role played by the Swaroopams in Kerala during the post- Perumal period.
10. Briefly discuss the nature of slavery in Kerala during the pre- colonial period.
11. Account on the functioning of various trade guilds in the Perumal Period.
12. Account on the nature of *Marumakkathayam* among the Muslims in Kerala.
13. What do you mean by *Smartavichara*. Briefly discuss how it was used as a tool to subjugate the women among the Nambuthiris.
14. Account on the concept of Cultural Symbiosis.

(4x 3 = 12 weightage)

PART C (Essay Type)
Answer any two questions.

15. Briefly discuss the views of Elamkulam P N Kunjanpillai regarding the decline and fall of Second Chera Empire. What are the criticisms leveled against his arguments?
16. Briefly assess the nature of transformation of clans into hereditary occupational groups and *jatis*.
17. Elucidate the role played by the devaswoms and Brahmaswoms in the transformation of the Kerala society and economy.
18. Assess the conditions of women in the Pre-colonial Kerala society. Did *jati* play an important role in determining the status of women?

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MHS1C03 – Themes in Indian Historiography
(2020 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

PART- A (Short Answer Type)

Answer any *four* questions (Weightage for each question is 2)

1. *Maha Yuga*
2. *Pattupattu*
3. *Baburnamah*
4. *Chips from a German Workshop*
5. *William Dalrymple*
6. *Rajani Palme Dutt*
7. *Richard Stephen Whiteway*

(4x2=8 weightage)

PART- B (Short Essay Type)

Answer any *four* questions (Weightage for each question is 3)

8. Discuss the concept of *karma* as outlined in the Buddhist texts of history
9. Can *Rajatharangini* be considered as the first historical text of India?
10. Critically examine the significance of *Akbernamah* as a source text of Mughal history
11. What is colonial ethnography? Discuss its implications on modern Indian historiography
12. Evaluate the role of Indologists in the development of Indian historiography
13. Analyze the contributions of Eric Thomas Stokes to subaltern historiography
14. Discuss the relevance of the *Annihilation of Caste* by Ambedkar in Indian historiography.

(4x3=12 weightage)

PART- C (Essay Type)

Answer any *two* questions (Weightage for each question is 5)

15. Discuss the distinctive features of *Ithihasa-Purana* tradition of history
16. Critically examine the nationalist view of ancient Indian history
17. Critically assess the contributions of Ram Sharan Sharma to Indian historiography
18. Analyze the development of Feminist historiography in India

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MHS1C04 – Problems & Debates in Ancient Indian History
(2020 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage : 30

PART- A (Short Answer Type)
Answer any Four Questions
Weightage for each question is 2

1. Indus Gods
2. Second Urbanisation
3. Rigveda
4. Policy of Dharma
5. Kautilya
6. Painted Grey Ware
7. Siva Thampi

(2 x 4 = 8 Weightage)

PART- B (Short Essay Type)
Answer any Four Questions
Weightage for each question is 3

8. Examine the important features of Harappan culture
9. Discuss the major attempts made by various scholars for the decipherment of Indus script
10. Discuss the formation of State in early India.
11. What do you know about Asoka's religious policies?
12. Examine D. D Kosambi's feudalism from above and feudalism from below.
13. Assess the concept of Urban Decay in early Medieval India.
14. Analyse the importance of Mahajanapadas in Indian History

(3 x 4 = 12 Weightage)

PART- C (Essay Type)
Answer any Two Questions
Weightage for each question is 5

15. Discuss the socio-cultural aspects of Vedic society
16. Do you think that Aryans were the authors of Harappan Culture?
17. Explain the Sangham literatures as a source of early history of south India?
18. Examine the nature of feudal polity in India.

(5 x 2 = 10 Weightage)