

1 SEM TDC HST M 1

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(November)

HISTORY

(Major)

Course : 101

(Introduction to History and its Sources)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32/24

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. (a) Answer the following in *one* word or in
one sentence each : 1×8=8
- (i) "History makes man wise." Who
made this comment?
- (ii) Mention the name of a subaltern
historian.
- (iii) What is the meaning of the term
'Rajatarangini'?

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(iv) Name the foreign traveller who visited the court of Chandragupta Maurya.

(v) Who translated the *Kitab-ul-Hind* into English?

(vi) What is 'Bakhar'?

(vii) Name the Ahom king whose coins are considered as the oldest found till today.

(viii) Name the chronicler who accompanied Mir Jumla to Assam.

(b) Write short notes on any three of the following :
4×3=12

(i) Relation of History with Economics

(ii) Hatigumpha Inscription of Kharavela

(iii) Badauni

(iv) *Kalika Purana*

(v) *Fathiya-i-Ibriyah*

2. Define History and discuss its scope.

Or

Discuss the Marxist trend of history writing in India.

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3. Give an account of *Arthasastra* as an important source material of ancient Indian history. 12

Or

Trace the importance of coins of early India as a source of history writing.

4. Bring out the salient features of Ziauddin Barani's theory of history and examine the value of his writings as a source for the history of Sultanate period. 12

Or

Write a note on Tavernier's account of India.

5. Prepare a note on the Inscriptions of early Assam with special reference to Nidhanpur Copper Plates of Bhaskaravarman. 12

Or

Write a note on Darrang Rajvamsawali as a source of medieval history of Assam.

6. Discuss the importance of the inscriptions of medieval Assam as a source of history. 12

Or

Write a note on Captain Welsh's account of Assam.
