

2015

HISTORY

(Major)

Paper : 3.1

(India under the Turko-Afghans)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions

Answer **all** questions

1. Answer the following questions in *one* word or
in *one* sentence : $1 \times 10 = 10$

- (a) Who wrote the *Shahnamah*?
- (b) Who was a Ghazi?
- (c) Who was the founder of the Khalji dynasty?
- (d) Who was the key figure in the central administration of the Delhi Sultanate?
- (e) Which ruler of the Tughluq dynasty shifted his capital from Delhi to Daulatabad?

- (f) Who was the Italian traveller to have visited the Vijayanagara Court in 1420?
- (g) What do you mean by Taraf?
- (h) What is Silsilah?
- (i) What is Shariat?
- (j) Who were the Chahalgani?

2. Answer the following in brief : 2×5=10

- (a) Name the two battles that laid the foundation of the Turkish rule in North India.
- (b) What is Diwan-i-arz and who was the head of the department?
- (c) Who were the founders of the Vijayanagara kingdom?
- (d) What is Sijdah and Paibos?
- (e) Name two saints of the Bhakti movement who made a strong plea for Hindu-Muslim unity.

3. Answer any four of the following:

- (a) How can the Secularism of 1192 be regarded as a high point in Indian history?
- (b) Write a brief note on the role of the Sultanate and agrarian policies.
- (c) Evaluate the role of the Sultanate in the affairs of the Sultanate.
- (d) Trace the growth of the Sultanate during the period of the Delhi Sultanate.
- (e) What was the impact of the Sultanate on religious ideas in India?

4. Answer any four of the following:

- (a) Was Muhammad bin Tughlaq a starry-eyed idealist?
- (b) What were the causes of the disintegration of the Sultanate?
- (c) Discuss the administrative system of the Delhi Sultanate.
- (d) Trace the emergence of the Sultanate after the fall of the Sultanate.

- (e) What were the contributions of Sher Shah to Indian history?
- (f) Discuss various aspects of the Sufi movement.

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Paper : 3.2

[History of Assam (5th Century AD to 1228 AD)]

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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for the questions*

1. Answer the following questions in *one word*
or *one sentence* each : 1×10=10
- (a) Who was the author of *Harshacharita*?
 - (b) Who was Lo-stunpa?
 - (c) Name a book on Tantra that was
composed in Kamarupa.
 - (d) Who built the city of Durjjaya?
 - (e) Who was the founder of the Pala
dynasty?
 - (f) Who issued the Kamauli grant?
 - (g) What was the copper temple of Sadiya
popularly known as?

- (h) What is a *Tulapurasadana*?
- (i) Name the author of *Tabaqat-i-Nasiri*.
- (j) When did the first Turko-Afghan invasion of Kamarupa take place?

2. Answer the following in brief : $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) Name two archaeological sites of ancient Assam belonging to the Tezpur region.
- (b) What do you understand by the term Varnasrama Dharma?
- (c) Name any two land grants issued by the Salastambha dynasty.
- (d) Name two professional castes of ancient Assam.
- (e) Write a short note on the reign of Harshadeva of the Salastambha dynasty.

3. Write short notes on any *four* of the following : $5 \times 4 = 20$

- (a) *Kalika Purana*
- (b) Hiuen Tsang's description of Kamarupa
- (c) Position of women in ancient Assam
- (d) Trade routes of ancient Assam
- (e) Bhaskar Varman's relation with Harshavardhana
- (f) Harjaravarmana

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4. Answer any *four* of the

- (a) Discuss the importance of a source of the history from 5th century AD.
- (b) Discuss briefly the influence of the Pala rulers on the condition of early Assam. In what way did it influence the development of the Pala rulers of the Pala dynasty?
- (c) Give an account of the condition of early Assam.
- (d) Critically assess the contribution of the Pala rulers of the Pala dynasty.
- (e) "Dharmapala was a great ruler of the Pala dynasty." Discuss the merits of his administration of the Pala dynasty.
- (f) Give a brief account of the condition of Kamarupa during the reign of the Pala dynasty.
- (g) Give a brief account of the condition of Kamarupa during the reign of the Pala dynasty.
- (h) Determine the importance of the Kamarupa-Pragjyotish reference to the Pala rulers. Give reference to the Pala rulers.

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