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History

HIS 1C 01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

(2019 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

Part A (Short Answer)

Answer any four of the following. Each question carries 2 weightage.

1. Positivist Method.

2. Historiophoty.

3. Archives.

4. Synthesis.

5. URKUND.

6. Glossary.

7. Postmodernism.

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weightage})$

Part B (Short Essay)

Answer any four of the following. Each question carries 3 weightage.

- 8. Assess the importance of interdisciplinary approach in historical research.
- 9. Discuss the factors to be considered for the selection of a research problem.
- 10. Briefly explain the methods, techniques and styles of citation.
- 11. Distinguish between oral tradition and oral history.
- 12. Examine the process of formulation and verification of hypothesis.
- 13. Elucidate the method and techniques of note taking.
- 14. Explain the importance of Appendix and Bibliography.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

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Part C (Essay)

Answer any two of the following. Each question carries 5 weightage.

- 15. Analyse the nature and types of primary sources in historical research.
- 16. Outline a general format of a historical research project.
- 17. 'Objectivity is an illusion, but a necessary and beneficial illusion' Discuss.
- 18. Examine the methods of verifying the authenticity and reliability a source.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ weightage})$