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FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2009

History

C4-HISTORY OF KERALA-I

(2007 admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Part A

Answer any **two** questions in about **eight** pages each. Each question carries 20 marks.

- 1. Discuss the various forms of overseas and long distance trade in relation to the migration of different communities.
- 2. Discuss the significance of "Parambu" and "Purayidam" in the agrarian activities of Kerala.
- 3. How far the ancient Tamil anthologies reflect the landscape, ecosystem and material culture in early South India ?
- 4. Make a comparative study of Mooshakavamsakavya and Keralalpatti and discuss how far they are reliable in the reconstruction of Kerala History.

 $(2 \ge 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

Part B

Answer any **eight** questions in about **three** pages each. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 5. Examine the role of river systems in the formation of Kerala society and Culture.
- 6. Discuss the importance of archaeological and epigraphical sources in the study of Kerala History.
- 7. Examine the significance of the coast and discuss how the penetration of tourism affects the coast at present.
- 8. Examine the nature of multicultural society in Kerala and discuss whether it was the symbol of symbiosis or peaceful coexistence.
- 9. Discuss the significance of the trans regional land routes in shaping the nature of society, economy and polity of Kerala.
- 10. Discuss the role of forest in the life of tribal people and examine the factors responsible for the rise of new tribal movements in Kerala.
- 11. Examine how the pattern of monsoon affects the agricultural system in Kerala.
- 12. Trace the role of nade and naduvazhi in the political structure of Kerala.
- 13. What were the important changes that the Kerala polity, society and economy experienced following the advent of the Europeans ?
- 14i Bring out the factors which are responsible for the creation of a Kerala identity.
- 15. Give an account of the political and cultural achievements of Zamurins of Calicut.
- 16. Evaluate the significance of the writing of local history.

 $(8 \ge 5 = 40 \text{ marks})$