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FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2009

History (Main)

C 4—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 will carry 20 marks.

1. Evaluate the contribution of **Elemkulam Kunjan Pillai** and **MGS Narayanan** in the study of Pre modern Kerala Society.
2. Discuss the significance of spice trade in shaping the history of Kerala.
3. Examine the role of Christian missionaries in the transformation of Kerala Society with special reference to the spread of education.
4. Explain the nature of society, polity and economy of Kerala as reflected in the travelogues.

(2 x 20 = 40 marks)

Part B

*Answer any **eight** questions in about three pages each.*

Each question will carry 5 marks.

5. Discuss the role of Western Ghats in the formation of Kerala landscape and climate.
6. Multiculturalism in Kerala Society is the by product of migration of different groups. Comment.
7. Evaluate the role of settlement pattern in the making of Kerala.
8. Examine the role of forests in the formation of Kerala economy, society and ecology. How deforestation affects these ?
9. Discuss the significance of medieval trade routes, trade centres, trade guilds and other facilities like **athanies**, inns and shade trees and how do they contribute to Kerala economy ?
10. Discuss the concept of "imagined **theyyam** community" in relation to North Malabar Society.
11. Analyse the caste system of Kerala in the context of land relations and social organisation.

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12. **Discuss the importance of gazettes and manuals with special reference to Malabar Manual of William Logan.**
13. **Discuss the significance of Grandhavaris as a source materials.**
14. **Discuss briefly the recent trends in the historiography of Kerala.**
15. **How does manipravalam literature represent the subject position of woman ?**
16. **Explain the relationship between agrarian expansion and the development of brahmana grama and upagrama.**

(8 x 5 = 40 marks)