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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2012**

(CUCSS)

**History**

**C.6—SELECTED THEMES IN INDIAN HISTORIOGRAPHY**

(2010 admissions)

**Time : Three Hours**

**Maximum Weightage : 36**

**Part A (Paragraph Type)**

*Answer all the questions.*

1. Buddhist Jatakas.
2. Imperial Gazetteer of India.
3. The Asiatic society of Bengal.
4. Stratified society.

(4 x 2 = 8 weightage)

**Part B (Short Essays)**

*Answer any five questions.*

5. Describe the historical consciousness in early India as gleaned from the Vedic texts.
6. Examine the concept of time in the context of ancient India.
7. Explain the foreign notices of South India from the writings of Periplus and Ptolemy.
8. Review "The Forgotten Empire" authored by Robert Sewell.
9. What are the salient features of Oriental Despotism propounded by Wittfogel ?
10. Point out D.D. Kosambi's attitude to the colonial writings.
11. Trace the historical basis of the subaltern studies.

(5 x 4 = 20 weightage)

**Part C (Essays)**

*Answer any one question.*

12. "Hitherto most historians of ancient have written as if the South did not exist". Discuss.
13. Estimate the Marxist attempts to reconstruct India's past with particular reference to the writings of Irfan Habib.

(1 x 8 = 8 weightage)