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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2014**

History

Paper IV – SELECTED DEBATES IN INDIAN HISTORY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

**Part A (Essays)**

*Answer any **two** of the following essays in not more than **eight pages** each.*

*Each question carries 30 marks.*

1. Examine the debate on Indian Feudalism and discuss how Harbans Mukhia questioned R.S. Sharmas defense of the Feudal model.
2. Point out the grounds on which Ambedkar opposed Gandhian political ideology.
3. Evaluate the different theories on the colonization of Indian economy.
4. Elucidate the Subaltern critique of Indian Nationalism.
5. Explain the Archaeological and Linguistic evidences for and against the Aryan Invasion Theory.

(2 x 30 = 60 marks)

**Part B (Short Essays)**

*Answer any **five** of the following short essays in not more than **four pages** each.*

*Each question carries 8 marks.*

6. Critically evaluate the Orientalist understandings of the 'Aryan'.
7. Critically examine the theory of Asiatic mode of production.
8. Explain the idea of "Long term dynamics of the Indian National Movement.
9. Briefly narrate the debate on deindustrialization.
10. Evaluate the position of Irfan Habib on the potentialities of capitalist development.
11. Explain the Dalit perception of Nationalism.
12. Do you agree with the view of D.C. Sircar that "Feudalism is a misnomer in the early Indian context"?
13. Discuss the different theories on the impact of British Rule in India.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)