

# FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION JANUARY 2009

History

Paper I – HISTORY AND SOCIAL THEORY

(2004 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

## Part A (Multiple Choice)

Answer **all** questions.

1. *Chronicle Fiorentine* was the work of \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) **Leonardo Bruni.** (b) Casio. (c) **Livy.** (d) Giovanni Villani.
2. *Hikhyana* is a \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) Novel. (b) Biography. (c) **Poetry.** (d) Narrative.
3. Positivism was opposed to \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) Marxism. (b) Realism. (c) **Liberty.** (d) Theology.
4. *La Critica*, a research journal was founded by \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) Beard. (b) Francis **Bacun.** (c) Croce. (d) Spengler.
5. *Poverty of Philosophy* was written by \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) Engels. (b) Will Durant. (c) Hegel. (d) Karl Marx.
6. *Annales* is the name of a \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) Journal. (b) Place. (c) Leader. (d) Incident.
7. The first historian to have written on the British period of modern Indian historiography \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) William Hunter. (b) V.A. Smith. (c) **Lord Acton.** (d) **J.S. Mill.**
8. The theme of **interlinking** History with social institution was initiated by \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) **W.H. Walsh.** (b) **Manc Bloch.** (c) **Dunkheim.** (d) Christopher.
9. Imperial Gazetteer of India was compiled by \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) William Hunter. (b) **Cunnigham.** (c) James Princess. (d) **D.D. Kosambi.**
10. *Study of History* was written by :  
 (a) Toynbee. (b) **David Hume.** (c) **J.B. Bunny.** (d) Collingwood.

(10 x 1 = 10 marks)

**Turn over**

**Part B (Short Essays)**

*Answer any eight questions of the following.*

11. Italian Humanism Thinkers.
12. Ibn Khaldun's Science of History.
13. Bhanabhatta.
14. Kalhana.
15. Historical Materialism.
16. Philology.
17. British Historian and Colonial History of India.
18. Role of Ecology in History.
19. Max Weber : History and Social Institution.
20. Marc Bloch.
21. Proto History.
22. Orientalists.

(8 x 5 = 40 marks)

**Part C (Essays)**

23. Examine the contribution of Machiavelli to History.
24. Attempt an essay on the historians of the Mughal period and assess their contributions.
25. Examine the role of archaeological finds in redefining History.
26. Contribution of Ranajit Guha into Indian Historiography is commendable – Comment.

(2 x 15 = 30 marks)