

## FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION FEBRUARY 2013

(CUCSS)

History

C.6 – SELECTED THEMES IN INDIAN HISTORIOGRAPHY

(2010 Admissions)

Maximum: 36 Weightage
Time: Three Hours

## Part A (Short Answer Type)

Answer all questions.

Weightage for each question is 1.

1. Gatha.

3. Tripitakas.

5. Max Muller.

7. Sutamagadha tradition.

9. R.C. Majumdar.

11. 'History from Below'.

13. Banabhatta.

2. Prasasthi.

4. Asiatic Society of Bengal.

6. Ramayana.

8. Alexander Cunningham.

10. R.S. Sharma.

12. Ballads.

14. Hiuen Tsang.

 $(14 \times 1 = 14 \text{ weightage})$ 

## Part B (Paragraph Type)

Answer any seven questions. Weightage for each question is 2.

- 15. Write on the Buddha-Jaina historiography.
- 16. Historical importance of Rajatarangini.
- 17. Discuss the critique of Asiatic Mode of Production.
- 18. Historicity of Itihasa Purana tradition.
- 19. Describe the British Perception of India.

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- 20. Elaborate on the social formation approach in the study of India's Past.
- 21. Examine nationalist glorification of India's past.
- 22. Discuss the features of the Orientalist stream of historiography.
- 23. Elaborate the long term implications of James Mill's periodisation of Indian society.
- 24. Assess the Portuguese and Dutch writings on India.

 $(7 \times 2 = 14 \text{ weightage})$ 

## Part C (Essay Type)

Answer any two questions. Weightage for each question is 4.

- 25. Bring out the origins of Indian historiography and point out its significant features.
- 26. Discuss the significance of D.D. Kosambi's writings in the context of Marxist historiography.
- 27. Analyse the Subaltern critique of the nationalist historiography.
- 28. Bring out the nature of the Court histories of Medieval India.

 $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ weightp-}$ 

