

THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2012

History

010—POLITICAL AND SOCIAL STRUGGLES IN MODERN INDIA

(2007 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Section A

Answer any two questions in about eight pages each.

- 1. Substantiate the argument that events of 1857 constituted the First War of Independence.
- 2. Point out the approaches adopted by trade unions in the initial stages and assess their effectiveness.
- 3. Critically evaluate the impact of non-Brahmin movement in the Madras Presidency.
- 4. Describe the aims and objectives of the All India Kisan Sabha and its methods of mobilisation.
- 5. Analyse the interactive relationship between National movement and the Peasant movement.

 $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

Section B

Answer any five questions in about four pages each.

- 6. Discuss the background to the Indigo uprisings and their out comes.
- 7. Analyse the role of Gandhi in the creation of organised peasant and workers movements.
- 8. Trace the history of trade union movement between 1919 and 1932.
- 9. Give an account of the work of Satya Shodhak Samaj.
- 10. Point out the efforts of Dr. Ambedkar in bridging the caste divide.
- 11. State the reasons for the emergence of national level women's organisations and evaluate the impact of their work.
- 12. Describe in detail the progress of labour movement under provincial autonomy.
- 13. Critically analyse the role of left parties in radicalising the activities of the trade unions.

 $(5 \times 8 = 40 \text{ marks})$