

THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2014

(CUCSS)

History

HIS CSS 3C 109—THEORY AND METHOD IN HISTORIOGRAPHY

Section A (Long Essays)

- I. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 4 weightage:
 - 1 Form an estimate of the historical writings of Ranke. How far did he belong to the objective school?
 - 2 How does the dialectics of Marx differ from that of Hegel?
 - 3 Explain the concept of total history as advanced by the Annales School.
 - 4 Bring out the main features of New Historicism.

 $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ weightage})$

Section B (Short Essays)

- II. Answer any seven questions. Each question carries 2 weightage:
 - 5 What, according to Vico, are the fallacies which historians are likely to fall into?
 - 6 Explain the meaning of positivism and indicate its influence on the 19th Century historiography.
 - 7 How far can we accept Herder's views of historical process in terms of racial theory of civilization?
 - 8 Write a note on Gramsci's views of Hegemony.
 - 9 Critically examine the significance of Gender History.
 - 10 Assess the contributions of Ranajit Guha to the writing of history.
 - 11 Give an account of Braudelian concepts of structure, conjuncture and event.
 - 12 Evaluate the significance of explanatory narrative approach in the writing of history.
 - 13 Trace the main features of the writings of Foucault.
 - 14 Analyse the characteristics of post modernism.

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

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Section C (Short Questions)

III. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 weightage:

15 David Hume. 16 Pierre Bayle.

17 Romanticist Historiography. 18 R.G. Collingwood.

19 Monist view of History. 20 Structural Marxism.

21 Shahid Amin. 22 Marc Bloch.

23 Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie. 24 History of Mentalities.

25 Empiricism. 26 Durkheim.

27 Edward Said. 28 Eric Hobsbawm.

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