

2017

**HISTORY**

**Full Marks : 100**

**Pass Marks : 33**

**Time : Three Hours and \*Fifteen Minutes**

*(\*15 minutes are given as extra time for reading questions)*

*All the questions are compulsory.*

*The figures in the right margin indicate full marks for the questions.*

*For Question Nos. 1 – 4, there are four alternative answers marked as A, B, C and D. Choose the correct or the best answer by writing the corresponding letter for each of them.*

1. Which of the following was not relevant to the Indus Valley Civilization ? 1
  - A. Lothal
  - B. Agra
  - C. Harappa
  - D. Mohenjodaro
  
2. Which of the following aimed to make himself 'Ekarat' ? 1
  - A. Samudragupta
  - B. Chandragupta II
  - C. Kumaragupta
  - D. Chandragupta I

3. Who of the following was the founder of the Lodhi dynasty ? 1
- (1) A. Ibrahim Lodhi  
 B. Sikandar Lodhi  
 C. Bahlol Lodhi  
 D. Babur
4. The All India Kishan Sabha was organised in 1
- A. 1928  
 B. 1929  
 C. 1939  
 D. 1936

*Answer Question Nos. 5 to 16 in one complete sentence each.*

5. Why is Mahavira known as Jina Mahavira ? 1
6. Who was the founder of the Kanva dynasty in India ? 1
7. What is the importance of Milinidapanah ? 1
8. Why was Vijayanagara chosen by the Vijayanagara kings as capital ? 1
9. Why did Bairam Khan rise in revolt against Akbar ? 1
10. What is to the Santhali settlers as the hoe is to the Paharias in colonial India ? 1
11. Why did the farmers want to earn money in colonial period in India ? 1
12. Why was the use of the greased cartridges the main cause of the Revolt of 1857 ? 1

13. During whose Governor Generalship was the first census of India taken ? 1
14. Why did Mahatma Gandhi join the Khilafat movement ? 1
15. What was the so called "a day of deliverance from the tyranny" declared by Mr. Jinnah ? 1
16. Why did Begum Afzal Rasul oppose the demand for Separate Electorate of the Muslims during the Indian National Movement ? 1

*Answer Question Nos. 17 to 28 in not more than 60 words each.*

17. How does an archaeologist classify the finds ? 4
18. Mention *four* doctrines of Jainism as taught by Mahavira. 4
19. What did Megasthenes write about the social condition of the people during the Mauryan rule ? 4
20. In what manner was the policy of the Mughal Emperor Akbar influenced by the Bhakti Movement ? 4
21. State the importance of inscriptions as a source of ancient Indian History. 4
22. Mention the *four* pillars of Islam to be practised by the Muslims. 4
23. Name *four* European travellers who visited India in the 17th century. 4
24. Why did Al-beruni say that the medieval Hindu Society in general had degenerated ? 4
25. Mention *four* features of the Permanent Settlement. 4
26. Explain the role of women in the Indian Revolt of 1857. 4
27. Do you think that the Rowlatt Act of 1919 was meant to suppress revolutionary movement in India ? Give *three* points in support of your answer. 4

1+3=4

28. "The constitution is the backbone of the whole structure of the country"  
— Justify. 4
29. Draw an outline map of India and on it locate the following : 2+1+1=4
- the place where Emperor Bahadur Shah was proclaimed as the Emperor of India in 1857.
  - the place which was occupied by General Neill on 18 June 1857 during the Revolt of 1857.

*Answer Question Nos. 30 to 33 in not more than 150 words each.*

30. Analyse the important teachings of Gautama Buddha. 8

*Or*

"Mahabharata was not a myth but a reality" — Justify. 8

31. Describe the land revenue administration of Akbar. 8

*Or*

Describe the role of women in the agrarian society of Medieval India. 8

32. Explain why the British establish hill stations in India with special reference to Simla. 8

*Or*

Explain how Gandhiji organised the Satyagraha movement in Champaran (1917), in Allahabad (1918) and in Kheda district (1918). 8

33. Discuss the Cripps Mission of 1942 led to the growth of the Quit India Movement. 8

*Or*

Discuss the basic values of the Indian Constitution. 8