

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH/APRIL 2020

FOURTH SEMESTER

History and Archaeology

PAPER – IV : HISTORICAL METHODS

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

PART A — (5 × 3 = 15 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions.

Each question carries 3 marks.

Each answer should not exceed 1 page.

1. Do you consider history as science
2. Importance of Fahien Account
3. Synthesis
4. Foot notes
5. Saint Agustin
6. Iban Khaldun
7. Bana
8. Romilla Thapar

PART B — (4 × 15 = 60 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

Each answer should not exceed 6 pages.

9. Define the history and explain its Nature and Scope.

Or

10. Explain the Archival Sources as Primary Sources for the writing of Modern History.

11. Discuss how Heuristics helps in writing the history.

Or

12. Describe various stages in writing the thesis.

13. Bring out the contribution of Herodotus and Thucydides to historical writings of classical period.

Or

14. Explain the contribution of Karl Marx to Historiography.

15. Bring out contribution of William Jones and V.A. Smith to the writing of Indian History.

Or

16. Estimate the Services of D.D. Kosambi and KAN Sastri to Indian Historiography.

