

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2018.

History and Archaeology

SECOND SEMESTER

Paper V – HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL INDIA FROM A.D. 1526 TO A.D. 1707

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

PART A — (5 × 3 = 15 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions.

Each answer carries 3 marks.

Each question should not exceed 1 page.

1. Discuss the causes of the defeat of the Rajputs in the battle of Khanva.
2. Explain the factors which led to the collapse of Homerun's empire.
3. Describe briefly the Mansabdari system of Akbar.
4. Briefly explain the role of Nur Jahan in the reign of Jahangir.
5. What were the important principles of Sufism?
6. Give a brief account of the development of the art of Music under the Mughals.
7. Trace the career and achievements of Shambaji.
8. Guru Nanak.

PART B — (4 × 15 = 60 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Each answer carries 15 marks.

Each question should not exceed 6 pages.

9. Describe Babar's chief conquests in India. What factors were responsible for his success in India.

Or

10. Critically examine the land-revenue system of Sher Shah.

11. Write an essay on the religious policy of Akbar.

Or

12. Critically examine the Deccan policy of Shah Jahan.

13. What was the social condition of the people of India under the Mughals?

Or

14. What were the various causes responsible for the decline and downfall of the Mughal Empire?

15. Describe the character and achievements of Shivaji.

16. Critically examine the circumstances that led to the rise of Sikhs as a military power during the reign of Aurangzeb.

