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Question Paper

B.A. Honours Examinations 2021

(Under CBCS Pattern)

Semester - VI

Subject: HISTORY

Paper : C 13-T

**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AFTER
THE SECOND WORLD WAR**

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 Hours

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own
words as far as practicable.*

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Answer **any four** of the following:

4×15=60

1. What do you mean by the term 'Cold War'? Explain the different interpretations about the origin of the Cold war.
2. To what extent was Stalin's policy towards Eastern Europe affected by the Cold War?
3. Examine the causes of the reunification of Germany.
4. When and why SAARC was formed? How far it was able to solve the problems of South Asia?
5. Do you think Islamic extremism and terrorism emerged as a new problem in the post-World War II situation ? Discuss.

6. What role has OPEC played in oil politics of the world since 1970?
7. What do you understand by the term 'Glasnost' and 'Perestroika'? What did Gorbachev hope to achieve through these measures?
8. What do you understand by the term 'Globalization'? What has been its effects upon the Third World countries?

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Modern Nationalism in India

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Answer **any four** of the following:

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1. How did Cambridge historians interpret the nature of Indian nationalism?
2. Discuss the objectives and methods of the Moderate Congress. Why did the Moderates fail to achieve the desired success ?
3. What was the chief reason behind the partition of Bengal in 1905? Was it an administrative necessity or political design?
4. Discuss the various phases in the transfer of power between 1942-47.
5. Discuss the Communal Award of 1932 as an instance of colonial divide-and-rule policy in India.

6. How would you explain the failure of the Cripps Mission?
7. Write briefly on the phases of the Quit India Movement. Can this movement be called a 'spontaneous revolution'?
8. How were the princely states integrated into the Indian Union after 1947?

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The Russian Revolution

Answer *any four* of the following:

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1. How effective is the term 'backwardness' in analyzing the situation in nineteenth century Russia? 15
2. Write an essay on the Narodnik Movement. 15
3. Review the reforms of Czar Alexander II. Why did he fail to pacify his people? 15
4. Explain how the program of economic modernization championed by Sergei Witte contributed to a revolutionary sentiment in Russia. 15

5. Narrate the growth of revolutionary forces in Russia during the reign of Nicholas II. 15
 6. Do you think that of the two revolutions that took place in 1917 in Russia, the first was natural but the second contrived? 15
 7. Estimate the role of Lenin in the Russian Revolution (1917) and account for the success of the Bolsheviks. 15
 8. What were the main features of New Economic Policy (NEP) of Lenin? 15
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Or
War and Diplomacy, 1914-1945

Answer ***any four*** of the following:

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1. Why was Europe divided into the rival armed camps towards the end of the nineteenth century?
 2. How far was Germany responsible for the First World War?
 3. In what ways did the 'French quest for security' influence the political atmosphere of the post-World War I Europe?
 4. Discuss the background of Bolshevik Revolution. What led to its success?
 5. What led to the Washington Conference of 1921? What was its effect?
 6. Why did the League of Nations fail to fulfil its ideals?
 7. Discuss the origin and significance of the Great Depression.
 8. Was the Second World War a design or a blunder?
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Pre-colonial South East Asia

Answer *any four* of the following:

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1. Discuss the major achievements of the Shailendra dynasty till 1292 CE.
2. Trace the history of Java till the rise of the Majapahit.
3. Analyse the history of the early trade relations between India and South East Asia.
4. Give an account of the early history of Champa with special reference to the Chinese sources.
5. Analyse the Sri Lankan religious influence on South East Asian Buddhism.
6. What was the historical significance of the reign of Kertanegara (1268 – 92)?

7. Discuss the importance of Malacca as an entrepot of South East Asian trade.
8. Evaluate the accounts of the European travellers in South East Asia as a source of its history.

Or
Environmental History of India
(Early India and Medieval period)

Answer *any four* of the following:

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1. Analyse the status of the sacred grove in ancient India.
2. Briefly discuss the pastoral economy in early India.
3. How far were environmental changes responsible for the decline of the Harappa civilization?
4. Do you think the agricultural expansion led to deforestation in the Ganga valley?
5. Briefly discuss the policies of the Mauryan rulers regarding forest and animal conservation.
6. How would you explain the relationship between forest dwellers and the pastoral communities in the medieval period?
7. Briefly discuss the royal hunts during the Mughal period.
8. How environment influenced the imperial policy of the Mughals?
