

VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY

B.A. Honours Examination 2021

(CBCS)

4th Semester

HISTORY

PAPER—C8T

RENAISSANCE AND REFORMATION

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

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

Answer any four questions.

- 1. What were the salient features of the early modern state in Europe?
- **2.** How did the ideology of Humanism affect art and education during the Renaissance?
- 3. How did Machiavelli define the idea of statecraft in The Prince?

- **4.** Discuss the impact of printing revolution on the society and culture of early modern Europe.
- **5.** Determine the success of Martin Luther as a central figure in the Reformation of Germany.
- 6. Comment on the Anabaptist movement as a radical wing of Protestantism.
- 7. How revolutionary was the Scientific Revolution?
- **8.** Would you agree that the foundation of Tudor monarchy by Henry VIII may be termed a new monarchy?



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THE FRENCH REVOLUTION & NAPOLEON BONAPARTE

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 Hours

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Answer any four questions.

- **1.** To what extent was the economic crisis responsible for the French Revolution?
- 2. In what ways was the French Revolution a bourgeoisie revolution?
- 3. What was the contribution of women in the French Revolution?
- **4.** Describe the role of the French Constituent Assembly (1789-91).

- **5.** How did the Jacobins bring about a new and distinctive break in the French Revolution?
- 6. Why did Napoleon introduce the Continental System? Why did it fail?
- **7.** How far did the Vienna Congress of 1815 re-establish the conservative order in Europe?
- **8.** How did the Metternich system aim at creating a conservative system in Europe?



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PAPER—C10T

19TH CENTURY REVOLUTIONS IN EUROPE

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 Hours

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Answer any four questions.

- **1.** Review the conditions prior to the July revolution in France. What were its effects?
- **2.** Discuss the causes of the February Revolution of 1848. How would you assess its importance in European history?
- 3. Discuss the role of Joseph Mazzini in Italian unification.

- 4. Evaluate the role of Bismark in the process of German unification.
- 5. Why did the Industrial Revolution occur in England?
- 6. What was the impact of the Crimean War?
- 7. Is it correct to describe the period 1870-1914 as an 'Age of Imperialism'?
- 8. Asses the importance of Romanticism in 19th century European culture.



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PAPER—SEC2T

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

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SEC2T: THE MAKING OF INDIAN FOREIGN POLICY

Answer any two questions.

- 1. What are the salient features of independent India's foreign policy?
- 2. Analyse the role of Nehru in Non-Alignment Movement.
- **3.** Critically analyse Indo-China relationship on the basis of Panchashil policy.

4. Discuss the impact of Globalization on Indian economy.

Answer any one question.

 1×10

- 5. Write an essay on the evolution of India's nuclear policy.
- 6. Write an essay on India's 'Look East Policy'.

SEC2T: COLONIAL SCIENCE IN INDIA: INSTITUTIONS AND PRACTICES

Answer any two questions.

 2×15

- **1.** Discuss critically the survey operations of the English East India Company in India.
- **2.** Analyse the character and activities of Geological Survey of India during the second half of the nineteenth century.
- **3.** Discuss Mahendralal Sarkar's contribution towards the emergence and development of nationalist science in India.
- **4.** Analyse briefly the relationship between western science and modern India.

Answer any one question.

 1×10

- **5.** Write an essay on Jagadish Chandra Bose's contribution to modern western science.
- 6. Analyse Jawaharlal Nehru's attitude towards modern science.

SEC2T: UNDERSTANDING POPULAR CULTURE

Answer any two questions.

 2×15

- 1. How has 'Popular Culture' been variously defined?
- 2. Discuss calendar art as a medium of folk consciousness in India.
- **3.** How did a new form of Yatra' reflect popular consciousness in colonial Bengal?
- **4.** How did the cinema reflect national sentiment and the national struggle in India?

Answer any one question.

 1×10

- **5.** How have the audio-visual media of radio and television been powerful influences in social life in India?
- 6. What has been the impact of the internet on Indian life in recent times?

SEC2T: UNDERSTANDING HERITAGE

Answer any two questions.

- 1. What is Heritage? Discuss tangible and intangible heritages.
- 2. Discuss the factors leading to the degeneration of heritage sites.
- **3.** What role does Archaeological Survey of India play in the conservation of ancient archaeological sites and monuments?

4. Write an essay on the growth of museums in colonial India.

Answer any one question.

- **5.** What is Heritage Tourism? Write a short essay on the tour of any one heritage site.
- **6.** What is ICOMOS? Discuss the role of ICOMOS in the preservation of heritage sites of the world.