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## Second Semester M.A. Degree Examination, October 2018 HISTORY

HY 221: Historical Method - II (2014 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

## SECTION - A (Long Essay Questions)

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 1. Explain the process through which you identify a research problem. Illustrate with suitable examples.
- 2. What is oral history? Explain methods of collecting, documenting and disseminating oral testimonies in historical research.
- 3. Critically examine the relevance of archival sources in reconstructing India's colonial past.
- 4. Discuss how discourse theory of Michel Foucault helps textual analysis in historical research.
- 5. Examine the prospects and problems of historical research in digital age.  $(3\times15=45 \text{ Marks})$

## SECTION - B (Short Essay)

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 6 marks.

- 6. Differentiate between method and methodology.
- 7. What do you know about hypothetico-deductive reasoning?
- 8. How are autobiographies useful in reconstructing the past?
- 9. Why is annotated bibliography more useful for researchers in history?
- 10. What is mosaic plagiarism?
- 11. What are style sheets?
- 12. Why is historiographical review essential in historical research?
- 13. What is the importance of cartography in local environmental history research? (5×6=30 Marks)