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Fourth Semester M.A. Degree Examination, May 2020

History

HY 241: INDIAN HISTORIOGRAPHY

(2014 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

SECTION - A

(Essays)

Answer any three essay questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 1. Examine the historiographical contributions of D D Kosambi to the study of ancient Indian history.
- 2. How far could Madhav Gadgil and Ramachandra Guha effect a paradigm shift in the study of Indian history with their thrust on human ecology?
- 3. Examine critically how Women's and Gender studies enrich the discipline of History?
- 4. 'Nationalist historiography utilised the practical uses of history.' In the light of this statement, sketch the contributions of M G Ranade and Dadabai Naoroji in orienting historical research in India.
- 5. How far did Western Indology effect serious historical study of India in its true sense?

 $(3 \times 15 = 45 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - B

(Short Notes)

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 6 marks.

- 6. 'Zia uddin Barani represented the tradition of court history in India.' Cornment.
- 7. Assess Kalhana's philosophy of history as embedded in the Rajatarangini.
- 8. Evaluate Abul Fazal's veracity as a historian.
- 9. Analyse the significance of oral traditions and the writing of Dalit history
- 10. Delineate the methodological parameters of Romila Thapar in the study of ancient Indian history.
- 11. How far could Irfan Habib succeed in interpreting Indian history by his unique and original research?
- 12. Examine the historiographical contributions of David Arnold to the Subaltern studies in India.
- 13. Sketch the role of K.A. Nilakanta Sastri in introducing scientific temper in the study of South Indian history.

 $(5 \times 6 = 30 \text{ Marks})$