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General Degree Examination in Arts (External) 2014

(2015 August)

History II (HG 2)

History of Northern India from 320 A. D. to 1707 A. D.

Three hours only.

Answer **FOUR** questions only, selecting at least **ONE** from Each part.

Illustrate your answer with sketch maps where appropriate.

Marks will be deducted for illegible handwritings.

The total number of questions in this paper is Twelve (12).

Part I

1. Discuss the importance of the Alahabad inscription of Samudragupta for the study of History of Gupta Era.
2. Briefly discuss the career and achievement of King Candragupta I in the Gupta period.
3. Examine the developments that took place Hinduism in the Gupta period.

Part II

4. Explain the factors that contributed to the rising of Kanauj.
5. Discuss the importance of Pāla Era in the history of Indian culture.
6. Examine the Political situation in Northern India When the invasion of the Turkish.

Part III

7. Critically examine the political role played by Ghazni Mohammad and Ghur Mohammad.
8. Explain the contribution of Mohammad - Bin - Tugluq for the political development of Delhi Sultanate.
9. Critically examine the main features of the Art and Architecture of the Delhi Sultanate.

Part IV

10. "The founder of the Mughal Empire was Babur." Examine.
11. Discuss the main factors that contributed for the decline of the Mughal Empire.
12. Write a critical essay on administrative organization of the Mughal period.