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General Degree Examination in Arts (External) 2019

(2019 October)

History II (HG II)

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 sketches, maps where appropriate.

Marks will be deducted for illegible hand writings.

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

Part I

1. Examine the political conditions which prevailed in the Gupta Empire.
2. Elucidate the importance of Alahabhad inscription of Samudragupta.
3. Discuss the religious developments in the Gupta period.

Part II

4. Examine the career and achievement of the Harshawardhana.
5. Elucidate the factors that led to the rise of Kanauj as an empirical center in India.
6. Critically analyze the Political organization of the kingdoms of Pala, Pratihara and Rashtrakuta.

Part III

7. Write a brief note on Arab and Turkey invasions in India and examine the reasons for that affected their success.
8. Explain the contribution of Mohommad- Bin- Tugluq for the political development of Delhi Sultanatè.
9. Critically discuss main elements of the religious policy in Delhi Sultanate.

Part IV

10. Assess the contribution of Great Akbar to the development of peace and harmony between Muslims and Hindus.
11. Examine the development of art and architecture in the period of Sha- Jahan.
12. Write a historical note on social structure of the Mughal period.