2012

M.A.

2nd Semester Examination HISTORY

PAPER-HIS-203

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 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 all questions

Group-A

1. What were the characteristics of the domestic system of production in Europe? How was this transformed into a capitalist system in the course of proto-industrialisation?

Or

Why was it essential for continental powers to take an alternative route to industrialisation in the 19th Century? How did it determine the character of industrial revolution on the Continent?

2. Explain why, despite steady growth in agriculture and commerce, there was no industrial break through in France during the ancient regime?
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Or

Discuss how, due to under-development in the agricultural sector. French industry developed a character different from that of England in the period c. 1815 — c. 1850.

Group-B

3. To what extent and why were the German states economically backward in 1815? What steps did Prussia take to overcome the obstacles before successful industrialisation?

Or

Why is the period 1830s — 1860s significant in the history of German industrialisation?

4. Why was Russia economically the most backward of European states even in the mid - 19th Century? 10

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Assess the role of Vishaegradsky and Witte in 19th century Russian industrialisation.

[Internal Assessment: 10 Marks]