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( CBCS )

( 4th Semester )

**HISTORY**

FOURTH PAPER

**( History of the Mughals )**

*Full Marks : 75*

*Time : 3 hours*

**( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )**

( Marks : 25 )

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions*

SECTION—A

( Marks : 10 )

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

**1.** Who fought the Battle of Kanauj in 1540?

- (a) Babur and Sher Shah ( )
- (b) Humayun and Sher Shah ( )
- (c) Humayun and Mahmud Lodi ( )
- (d) Babur and Rana Sanga ( )

**2.** Who wrote *Akbarnama*?

- (a) Babur ( )
- (b) Akbar ( )
- (c) Abul Fazl ( )
- (d) Faizi ( )

3. Mughal painting reached its zenith under which Emperor?
- (a) Akbar ( )
  - (b) Jahangir ( )
  - (c) Shah Jahan ( )
  - (d) Aurangzeb ( )
4. Who among the following was considered the ablest writer in Persian during Akbar's period?
- (a) Abul Fazl ( )
  - (b) Badauni ( )
  - (c) Utbi ( )
  - (d) Faizi ( )
5. Which of the following spices was unknown during the Mughal period?
- (a) Pepper ( )
  - (b) Clove ( )
  - (c) Capsicum or Chilli ( )
  - (d) Ginger ( )
6. What was the most important role of women under the Mughals?
- (a) Giving moral and cultural tone to society ( )
  - (b) Serving their husbands ( )
  - (c) Played no role in the society ( )
  - (d) Played an active role in politics ( )
7. 'Chhatrapati' was the title of
- (a) Ranjit Singh ( )
  - (b) Shivaji ( )
  - (c) Arjun Singh ( )
  - (d) Shaista Khan ( )
8. The new religion promulgated by Akbar was called
- (a) *Allah-Hu-Akbar* ( )
  - (b) *Sulh-i-Kulh* ( )
  - (c) *Ibadat Khana* ( )
  - (d) *Din-i-Ilahi* ( )

9. Which of the following historians made a serious attempt to study the structural flaws of the Mughal system with a view to understanding the decline of the Mughal empire?
- (a) Irfan Habib ( )
  - (b) Satish Chandra ( )
  - (c) William Irvine and Jadunath Sarkar ( )
  - (d) M. Athar Ali ( )
10. Murshid Quli Khan, the Mughal Governor of Bengal was originally
- (a) a Persian ( )
  - (b) an Iraqi ( )
  - (c) an Afghan ( )
  - (d) a South Indian Brahmin ( )

SECTION—B

( Marks : 15 )

Answer the following questions in not more than 5 sentences each : 3×5=15

1. (a) Mention the importance of *Ain-i-Akbari* as a source of Mughal history.

**OR**

(b) Why was Sher Shah regarded as the forerunner of Akbar?

2. (a) Who were the Khanazads?

**OR**

(b) What is the difference between *Jagir* and *Khalisa* lands?

3. (a) What was the *dagh* system?

**OR**

(b) Who were the Irani and Turani nobles?

4. (a) What was the Maratha Confederacy?

**OR**

(b) Write a note on the Treaty of Purander.

5. (a) Explain the *misls* of the Sikhs.

**OR**

- (b) Write a note on the invasions of Ahmad Shah Abdali.

**( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )**

( Marks : 50 )

*The questions are of equal value*

1. (a) Describe the circumstances leading to the foundation of the Mughal empire by Babur and its significance to India.

**OR**

- (b) Make an assessment of the administration of Sher Shah Suri.

2. (a) Examine the various interpretations regarding the nature of the Mughal State.

**OR**

- (b) Write an essay on the architecture and painting which developed during the Mughal period.

3. (a) Examine the social structure of the Mughal society with reference to the nobility of the Zamindars.

**OR**

- (b) Attempt an overview of trade and commerce during the Mughal period.

4. (a) Discuss Akbar's relation with the Rajputs. How far was it responsible for the consolidation and expansion of the Mughal empire?

**OR**

- (b) Discuss Aurangzeb's relation with the Deccan States. How far was the Deccan Policy of Aurangzeb responsible for his downfall?

5. (a) What were the various factors that led to the decline of the Mughal empire?

**OR**

- (b) Give an account of the emergence of various regional States in the eighteenth century.

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