

Time: 3 hours

Full Marks: 300

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates should attempt Q. No. 1 from

Section – A and Q. No. 5 from Section – B which

are compulsory and three of the remaining

questions, selecting at least one from each Section.

SECTION - A

- Comment on any three of the following statement
 in about 200 words each: 20×3 = 60
 - (a) "Thus ended the famous battle of Buxar, on which depended the fate of India and which was as gallantly disputed as was important in its results."
- (b) 'The British Industrial Policy in the nineteenth century ruined the Indian handicrafts.'

(Turn over)

- (c) "The Arya Samaj was both a progressive and reactionary movement."
- (d) 'The Quit India Movement was a spontaneous revolt of the people against British rule.'
- Critically analyse the growth of economic nationalism in India in the light of the "Drain Theory."
- 3. Explain the main aspects of Muslim League Politics from 1937 to 1947. Was the partition of the country unavoidable?
- 4. (a) Explain the permanent Zamindari Settlement of 1793. How did it affect the peasantry in British India?
 - (b) What is the role played by Surendra Sai during the Great Revolt of 1857? 20

SECTION - B

- 5. Comment on any three of the following in about200 words each: 20×3 = 60
- (a) "The Renaissance and the Reformation are the two springs of modern history, rival sources of the intellectual and moral freshening of modern life."

- (b) 'The Industrial Revolution put mobility in the place of stability.'
- (c) 'Bismarck created a new Germany with the policy of 'blood and iron'.
- (d) 'The Security Council is the heart of the United Nations Organisation.'
- 6. Discuss the Political circumstances in China in the years 1945-1949 leading to the establishment of the communist rule in the land. How did the United States seek to resolve the conflict between the Nationalists and Communists in the Period ?
- Write a critical note on the process of decolonization accelerated by the Second World War.
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- Analyse the factors for the collapse of Soviet Communism and Soviet Union during 1985-1991.

