

2009

HISTORY

(Major)

Paper : 3.1

(History of Modern India : 1757-1947)

Full Marks : 100

Time : 3 hours

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

Answer *any five* questions

- ✓ 1. Discuss the significance of the Battle of Plassey in Indian history. 20
- ✓ 2. To what extent did Warren Hastings lay the foundations of the British administrative structure in India? 20
- ✓ 3. Assess British policy towards Mysore under Lord Cornwallis and Wellesley. 20

4. Critically analyse Cornwallis' Permanent Settlement of Bengal. 20
5. Account for the decline of cottage industries under colonial rule. Did it lead to the growth of modern industries? $10+10=20$
6. How far did the spread of Western Education influence the growth of Nationalism? 20
7. Review the social reforms of Lord William Bentinck. 20
8. Examine the administrative changes made after 1858. 20
9. Evaluate Gandhi's role in the Indian National Movement. 20
10. Write short notes on any two of the following : $10 \times 2 = 20$
- (a) British financial policy
 - (b) Rural indebtedness
 - (c) Status of women in colonial India
 - (d) The role of the Press in Indian nationalism

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