

**ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS, JUNE 2018**

PhD (History)

Time 2 Hours: Maximum Marks - 80

Hall Ticket Number \_\_\_\_\_

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. THE QUESTION PAPER CONTAINS TWO PARTS (PART – A and PART – B) SHOULD BE ANSWERED IN ANSWER BOOK PROVIDED.
2. PART-A HAS FOUR QUESTIONS OUT OF WHICH TWO SHOULD BE ANSWERED. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 20 MARKS.
3. PART-B HAS SIX QUESTIONS, OUT OF WHICH TWO SHOULD BE ANSWERED. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 20 MARKS.
4. BEFORE YOU START WRITING YOUR ANSWERS, PLEASE CHECK THAT THIS QUESTION PAPER DOES NOT HAVE ANY UNPRINTED OR TORN OR MISSING PAGES OR ITEMS.

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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONTAINS TWO (2) PAGES INCLUDING THE FRONT PAGE.

**PhD (History)**

**Part - A**

1. In what ways is history a science, and in what ways is it an art?
2. What are the tools for writing the history of non-literate societies?
3. How do historians benefit by inputs from other social sciences?
4. How does historical evidence lend itself to variable interpretations?

**Part - B**

1. What are some of the latest perspectives on the causes for the decline of the Indus Valley Civilization?
2. How useful is the Purana and other literary corpus for the understanding of Ancient Indian history?
3. How was medieval Europe different from medieval India?
4. What are the significant scientific achievements during the period of medieval Indian history?
5. What are the potentialities as well as the limitations of the project of Subaltern studies?
6. What are the various debates about the economic impact of the British colonial rule on India?