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Third Semester

CORE - HY010301 - HISTORY AND SOCIAL THEORY

MA HISTORY, MA HISTORICAL STUDIES

2019 ADMISSION ONWARDS

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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

1. Positivism
2. Rationalisation
3. Methodological Individualism
4. Fordism
5. Frankfurt School
6. System World Rationality
7. Deconstruction
8. Jessica Benjamin
9. Metahistory
10. Sundar Sarukkai

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

11. Marxian theory of history is primarily a critique of exploitative social systems? Substantiate.
12. How is Emile Durkheim's theory useful for analysing social life in the present times?
13. Examine the theories of popular culture and structuralist semiology reflected in Roland Barthes' works



14. What is the central problem that Georg Lukacs discusses in the theory of reification?
15. Comment on the major works of Michel Foucault.
16. Write on the major works of Keith Jenkins.
17. Briefly review the important works of Pierre Bourdieu.
18. What is Paradigm Shift?

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.*

*Weight **5** each.*

19. Why is social theory essential in explaining historical phenomenon? Explicate with suitable examples.
20. How did Louis Althusser consider marxism as a science of history?
21. The West decided on how Orient is to be represented. Why?
22. Discuss the key ideas of Ulrich Beck as advanced in Risk Society.

(2×5=10 weightage)