



**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**

B.A. Honours Part-II Examination, 2020

**HISTORY**

**PAPER-III**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**CATEGORY-I**

**Answer any *one* question within 750 words**

20×1 = 20

1. Give an analytical view of the writings of Abul Fazl and Badauni. Do you think that Abul Fazl and Badauni were different in their approaches? 15+5 = 20
2. Was Akbar's religious policy primarily determined by political compulsions? How do you characterise Din-i-Ilahi? 12+8 = 20
3. What are the contributions of the Mughals in the field of architecture? Is it proper to say that there was no specific Mughal style of architecture? 15+5 = 20
4. Mention the growth of parties and politics in the Mughal Court between 1707 and 1740. How did it affect the empire? 14+6 = 20
5. Was Shivaji guided by an ideology in his attempt to build a regional state? 20
6. Write an essay on Sufism during the period of your study. 20

**CATEGORY-II**

**Attempt any *two* questions within 350 words each**

10×2 = 20

7. Write in brief on the Central-Asian policy of Shahjahan. 10
8. Write a short essay on the Imperial Karkhanas during the Mughal period. 10
9. Write a short essay on the peasants revolts in Mughal India. 10
10. Write a note on forests in Mughal India. 10

**CATEGORY-III**

**Attempt any *two* questions within 100 words each**

**5×2 = 10**

11. Write a short note on Bernier. 5
12. Write a note on 'Humayun Nama'. 5
13. Who was called 'Zinda Pir' and why? 5
14. What do you mean by the term 'Estado-da-India'? 5
15. Write a note on 'Nurjahan Junta'. 5
16. Write a short note about the significance of Alivardi's rule in Bengal. 5
17. Write a short note on Guru Nanak. 5
18. Do you consider the 18<sup>th</sup> century as the 'Dark Age' in Indian History? 5

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