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Enrollment Number:

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MA DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2024

First Semester

M.A. History

M21HS01AC – An Introduction to Historical Research

(Common for 2023 January, July admissions)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions in a word or sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. What is Hermeneutics?
2. The *Making of English Working class* is a famous work by.....
3. What is Ethnographic study in research?
4. What is qualitative research?
5. What is Archaeology?
6. APA means.....
7. What is negative interpretative criticism?
8. *Writing or Difference* is a book written by.....
9. What is Synopsis?
10. What are footnotes?
11. What is analytical operation?
12. *Historian's Craft* is a book written by.....
13. What is the initial step of a research?
14. What are the types of sources used in historical research?
15. National Archives of India is located at.....

(1X10=10)

Section B

Answer any five of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.

16. Rationalism
17. Facts
18. Hypothesis

19. Textual criticism
20. Endnotes
21. Archives
22. Oral history
23. Subjectivity
24. Structuralism
25. Secondary sources

(2X5=10)

Section C

Answer any five of the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 4 marks.

26. Analyse the historical importance of Folklore literature.
27. Examine the role of literature review in historical research.
28. Write a note on primary sources.
29. Explain the importance of bibliography in historical research.
30. Examine how far Puranas can be considered as historical sources.
31. Explain the importance of objectivity in historical analysis.
32. Write about various referencing methods used in research.
33. What do you mean by epistemology? Briefly explain its relation with historical research.

(4X5=20)

Section D

Answer any three of the following questions in two pages each. Each question carries 10 marks.

34. Assess the factors to be considered for the selection of a research problem.
35. What is source criticism? Explain the various methods of source criticism.
36. Examine the role of oral tradition in the reconstruction of past.
37. Write an essay on Jacques Derrida's deconstruction method and its application to historical interpretation.
38. Bring out the significance of generalization in history.
39. Briefly explain the necessity of a research plan. What are the key components of a research plan?

(10X3=30)