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B.A DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, FEBRUARY 2026

Fourth Semester

B.A History

B21HS04DC – Medieval Societies

(2023 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. Name any one barbarian tribe that invaded the Roman Empire.
2. In which century did Black Death spread in Europe?
3. Name the nomadic group led by Attila.
4. Which religion originated among the Hebrews?
5. Name the Holy Book of Judaism.
6. Name the place where Jesus was born.
7. What is meant by Church historiography?
8. Who was Clovis I?
9. Who founded of the Carolingian dynasty?
10. Name the Pope who crowned Charlemagne as Emperor.
11. Define feudalism.
12. Name one major cause of the Crusades.
13. Which dynasty ruled China before the Mongols?
14. Who established the Kamakura Shogunate in Japan?
15. Name the first Caliph of Islam.

(1X10=10)

Section B

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

16. Briefly mention the role of the Germanic tribes in the decline of the Roman Empire.
17. Explain the impact of barbarian invasions on Roman administration.
18. Describe the basic principles of Judaism.
19. Write a short note on advances in medicines made by the Ottoman Empire.
20. Mention the significance of Islam in medieval history.

21. Assess the role of Charles Martel in European history.
22. What facilitated the rise of the Papacy?
23. Write a short note on Charlemagne's reforms.
24. Make an assessment of Harun-al-Rashid as a ruler of Arab Golden Age.
25. What is meant by the Guild System?
26. Mention two features of feudalism.
27. Describe the manorial system.
28. State two impacts of the Crusades.
29. Write note on monasticism of medieval Europe.
30. Briefly describe the Sung dynasty.

(2X10=20)

Section C

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

31. Give an account of Kamakura Shogunate in Japan.
32. What facilitated the origin of feudalism in Europe?
33. Discuss the structure and functions of medieval castles.
34. Examine the nature of the Crusades.
35. Describe the political system of the Mongol dynasty in China.
36. Explain feudalism in China under the Manchus.
37. Discuss the Tokugawa Shogunate in Japan.
38. Analyse the administrative system of the Abbasids.
39. Explain the role of trade and urbanization in medieval Europe.
40. Discuss the position of women in medieval society.

(4X5=20)

Section D

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

41. Examine the role of Barbarism and the growth of Christianity resulted in the decline and fall of the Roman Empire.
42. Discuss the struggle between the Holy Roman Empire and the Papacy with special reference to the Investiture Controversy.
43. Elaborate the contribution of the Arabs to different fields of knowledge.
44. Explain the growth of universities as centres of higher learning during medieval period.

(10X2=20)