

**QP CODE**

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**M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, DECEMBER 2024**

**Second Semester**

**M.A. History**

**M21HS08DC – Selected Themes in the History of Medieval World  
(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. From which Latin term is the word "medieval" derived?
2. In which year was the Magna Carta signed?
3. Which religion became the dominant faith in Europe during the medieval period??
4. Which empire experienced a historical shift in the early Middle Ages under the rule of Charlemagne?
5. Who established the Kamakura Shogunate in 1185 CE?
6. What term refers to the regional lords in feudal Japan?
7. What does the term "sakoku" refer to in Japanese history?
8. Who developed the concept of algorithm?
9. When was the Tang dynasty established?
10. Who wrote the famous book *al Qanun fi al -Tibb*?
11. Who is considered the original portrayer of *smallpox*?
12. What is one of Pope Gregory's notable works?
13. Who was the first pope to contest the practice of lay investiture?
14. Who was one of the first Europeans to travel to China through the Silk Road in the thirteenth century?
15. Who is the author of the book '*The transformation of the year one thousand: The village of lournand from antiquity to feudalism*'?

**(1X10=10)**

**Section B**

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

16. What is the Code of Bushido?

17. What is Bait -ul- Hikmah?
18. Who is Ibn al-Haytham?
19. What is Woodblock printing?
20. Who was Kublai Khan?
21. What is the divine right of kings?
22. Who is Marc Bloch?
23. What is Papacy?
24. What is the significance of Zaiton?
25. What were Craft Guilds?

**(2X5=10)**

### **Section C**

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

26. What are the implications and criticisms related to the term 'Dark Age'?
27. What factors contributed to the decline of slavery during the medieval period?
28. Write a brief overview of Umayyad dynasty?
29. Write a short note on Greek influence on Islamic civilization?
30. Briefly explain the trade networks of Venice?
31. Write a short note on India's maritime trade throughout the medieval period?
32. How did the Portuguese establish and manage their trade network in the Indian Ocean?
33. Explain the significance and historical importance of the Silk Route.

**(4X5=20)**

### **Section D**

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

34. Discuss how did the Iqta system contribute to the expansion and administration of the Delhi Sultanate?
35. Explain the contributions of Arabia in the field of science, mathematics, medicine and philosophy.
36. Explain the impact of the development of gunpowder, printing and paper money on medieval China?
37. Explain the main features of Christian monasticism and monastic orders in Europe
38. Give details about the Crusades, and their impact on the Christian world
39. Analyze the various historical theories that explain the reasons for the decline of feudalism

**(10X3=30)**