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(March)

HISTORY

(Major)

Course : 302

(Social and Economic History of Assam)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32/24

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. (a) Answer the following as directed in one word or in one sentence each : $1 \times 8 = 8$
- (i) Mention a leading centre of Vaishnavism in ancient Assam.
 - (ii) The Mansabdari system of the Mughals had many resemblances with the Paik system of the Ahoms.

(Write True or False)

- (iii) Write a lasting contribution of the Bhakti Movement in India.
- (iv) Write the name of Koch king who was a contemporary of Sankaradeva.
- (v) Name the first refinery of Asia.
- (vi) In which year was the Stamp Duty introduced in Assam?
- (vii) Who was the first Assamese tea planter?
- (viii) Name the editor of the Assamese magazine, *Chetona*.
- (b) Write short notes on any *three* of the following : 4×3=12
- (i) Buddhism in ancient Assam
- (ii) Import items of medieval Assam
- (iii) Waste Land Grants Rules (1838)
- (iv) Colonial coal industry of Assam
- (v) Orunodoi

2. Make a critical estimate of any two religious beliefs and practices in ancient Assam. 6+6

Or

Give a brief idea of the agricultural system of ancient Assam. 12

3. Write briefly on the position of slaves and servants in the medieval society of Assam. 6+6

Or

Discuss the background and development of Neo-Vaishnavite Movement in Assam. 12

4. Point out the important areas of economic relation between the hills and the plains in medieval Assam. 12

Or

Evaluate the colonial agricultural regulations and its impact on the socio-economic life of Assamese people. 8+4

5. Write a brief note on the growth of 'roads' and 'railways' in colonial Assam. 6+6

Or

Write a brief note on the language controversy of Assam in the 19th century. 12

6. Give a brief note on the development of press and growth of public associations in colonial Assam.

6+6

Or

Discuss the impact of Bengal Renaissance in Assam.

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