

**2018 (62)**  
**HISTORY**

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 300

**Instructions:**

- The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
- Answer **six** questions, selecting **three** each from Section I but attempt not more than **two** questions from each Part of Section I and II.
- Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far practicable.
- All questions have been printed both in Hindi and English in case of any ambiguity in Hindi version, the English version shall be considered authentic.
- Parts of the same question must be answered together and must not be interposed between answers to other questions.

Section – I  
PART - A

1. Bring out the main points of agreement and difference between Buddhism and Brahmanical Hinduism. 50
2. “Probably India has never been governed better after the oriental manner than it was during the region of Vikramaditya.” Explain. 50
3. What was the political and cultural contribution of the Pallavas to the history of South India during the period of 600 AD to 900 AD?

PART – B

4. Examine the contribution of ancient India to the culture of South Asia. 50
5. “Firoze Shah (Tughlaq) was an enlightened and humane ruler and his administration is noted for the humanitarian measures that conducted to the prosperity and happiness of his people.” Justify. 50
6. “I regard Shivaji as the last great constructive genius and nation-builder that Hindu race has produced.” (J. N. Sarkar.) Comment. 50

Section – II  
PART – A

7. Analyze critically the motives and compulsions of the British in framing social policies for India. 50
8. The Revolt of 1857 was ‘a clash between tradition and modernity’. Discuss. 50
9. Examine the growth of Revolutionary Movement after the withdrawal of Non-Cooperation. What difference do you find in their ideology and programmes with the first phase of Revolutionary Movement? 25+25

PART – B

10. Comment on the formation of the Nation-State in Britain. How was the British national identity fostered? 50
11. How the new science and technology was responsible for bringing about the material progress in the Western World after 1870? 50
12. Assess the impact of Communist Revolution on Chinese society and economy. 50