

POSTGRADUATE FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, 2021

Subject: History

Course ID: 30453 (303EB-New)

Course Title: Trade, Banking and Finance: the Movement of Capital in Modern India

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hrs.

The figures in the margin indicate full marks

Answer all the questions.

UNIT I

1. Answer *any two* of the following questions: (15x2=30)

- a) Would you agree with the view that the *dadni* merchants were responsible for shifting the Company's procurement policy from *dadni* to *gomasta* in Bengal?
- b) Write a brief note on the currency system of colonial India in the post-First World War period.
- c) Critically discuss the causes behind the origin of Agency Houses in colonial India.
- d) Write an essay on the evolution of Central Bank in colonial India.

UNIT II

2. Answer *any two* of the following questions: (5x2=10)

- a) Write a short note on the third dimension of the triangular trade.
- b) What do you mean by the 'Imperial preference' related to the fiscal policy of colonial India?
- c) What were the main functions of the Presidency Bank of colonial India?
- d) In what ways did Indigo complicate the system of the Agency Houses in colonial India?