M.A. 3rd Semester Examination-2022-23

HISTORY

Course ID: 30452 Course Code: HIST/302C

Course Title: Birth of the Modern World: Capitalism and Colonialism in Historical Perspective

Time: 2 Hours Full Marks: 40

The figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Unit-I

- **1.** Answer **any** two questions of the following: $15 \times 2 = 30$
 - (a) How do classical economists engage with the notion of development?
 - (b) Can proto-industrialisation be seen as the preparatory stage leading up to industrialisation?

- (c) Analyse the different throretical views regarding European Imperialism of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Was this a new phenomenon?
- (d) Discuss Edward Said's notion of *Orientalism*. Does this provide us with a new understanding of imperialism and colonialism in the modern world?

Unit-II

- **2.** Answer **any** *two* questions of the following: $5 \times 2 = 10$
 - (a) What did Adam Smith mean by the 'invisible hand'?
 - (b) Write a short note on dialectical materialism.
 - (c) Do you think that demographic factors explain long-term economic changes in pre-industrial Europe?
 - (d) Write a short note of M. K. Gandhi's Hind Swaraj.