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The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati

Royal School of Humanities and Social Sciences

B.A. History (Hons.), 2nd Semester

Semester End Examination, June 2023

Course Title: History of Japan (1853-1945)

Course Code: HST182C203

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: Attempt all questions as per instructions given.

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Section – A

1. Attempt **all** questions. (Maximum word limit 50) 2 x 8
- Write in brief about the Battle of Sekigahara?
 - Who was Yoritomo?
 - What was *Genro*?
 - Mention any two educational reforms introduced by Meiji in Japan.
 - What do you know about the Nishi-Rosen Convention?
 - Write in brief about the Bjorko Treaty of 1905.
 - When and why was the Washington Conference conveyed?
 - Write in brief about the Marco Polo Bridge incident of 1937.

Section – B

2. Attempt **any one** of the following: 12 x 1
- Critically examine the factors leading to the downfall of the Tokuwaga Shogunate in Japan.
 - Trace the circumstances that led to the end of Japan's policy of isolation.
3. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7 x 2
- Trace the circumstances leading to the Meiji Restoration in Japan.
 - 'Mutsuhito inaugurated the process of modernization in Japan.' Elucidate.
 - Give an account of the constitution making process in Japan.
4. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7 x 2
- Critically examine the causes of the First Sino-Japanese War.
 - Examine how far the Russian interest in the Far East was responsible for signing the Anglo-Japanese Alliance in 1902.
 - Assess the factors behind the rise of militarism in Japan.
5. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7 x 2
- Throw light on gains of Japan in the First World War.
 - Write a detailed note on the Japan-USA relationship in the 20th century CE.
 - Give an account of the establishment and development of Manchukuo.