

The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati
Royal School of Humanities and Social Sciences
MA History 2nd Semester
Semester End Examination, July 2022
Course Title : Culture, Imperialism and Knowledge: Europe and the
World, 1500-1900
Course Code : HST184C202

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
- a. What was the Enlightenment?
 - b. What is the Occident?
 - c. What do you mean by caste?
 - d. Who was the founder of Asiatic Society of Bengal? When was it founded?
 - e. What is Census?
 - f. Define Colonialism?
 - g. Name two Joint Stock Companies of early modern Europe?
 - h. What do you mean by *White man's Burden*?

Section – B

2. Attempt **any one** of the following: 12 x 1
- a. Critically elaborate the principles of Orientalism.
 - b. Evaluate the growth of nationalism in the 19th and 20th century.
3. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7 x 2
- a. Who was Franz Fanon? Evaluate Fanon's primary ideas.
 - b. What is post-colonial thought? Discuss.
 - c. "History was used by colonial regimes to establish authority". Justify.
4. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7x 2
- a. How was the Inner Line System responsible for developing differences in identity?
 - b. Briefly describe the policies of Paramountcy and Subsidiary Alliances in colonial expansion.
 - c. How have Museums played an important role in entrenching imperial authority in colonial India?
5. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7x 2
- a. Critically analyse the British census reports of 1881 and 1891.
 - b. What are surveys? How were they important in creating colonial knowledge?
 - c. Discuss the evolution of caste in colonial India.