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The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati

Royal School of Humanities and Social Sciences M.A. History, 2nd Semester

Special Supplementary Examination, September 2023

Course Title: Innovations in Medieval India: Tools, Techniques, Technologies and Culture

Course Code: HST184D202

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 70

Note: Attempt all questions as per instructions given.

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

o Section - A

1. Attempt all questions. (Maximum word limit 50)

2 x 8

- a. In which year the first Muslim invasion took place and under whose command?
- b. Name two early Islamic settlements in India.
- c. What is an Agrahatta?
- d. In which states of India do we find the traditional methods of *Chippa and Chappa*?
- e. The 1st battle of Panipat has a unique significance. What is the significance?
- f. Name two key features of Mughal painting.
- g. Name two biographical books written by Abu'l Fazl.
- h. Who was Dewal Rani Khizr Khan?

Section - B

2. Attempt any one of the following:

12x 1

- a. Discuss the cultural contacts between the Indians and Arabs in the early medieval period.
- b. Who was Ali Kufi and why is he so important to the study of Indian history? Illustrate.

3. Attempt any two of the following:

7 x 2

- a. Illustrate how the advent of horse saddle changed warfare in early medieval India.
- b. Explain in what way Persian Wheel provided a big boost to the medieval Indian economy.
- c. Discuss the nature of technological change during the medieval period.

4. Attempt any two of the following:

7 x 2

- a. What were the characteristics of Persian tradition of history writing?
- b. Give a detailed account on miniature painting of the Mughal school.
- c. Write a note on Hamzanama

5. Attempt any two of the following:

7 x 2

- a. Write the contribution of Barani to history writing.
- b. Discuss the importance of Akbarnama as a source of history.
- c. Write a note on Al Biruni and Arab history writing.