The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati

Royal School of Humanities and Social Sciences MA History 1st semester

Semester End Examination, March-2022

Course Title: Historiography: Concepts and Traditions Course Code: HST184C102

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 are the chief features of ancient Indian historical writing?
- b. What is orientalist historiography?
- c. Name two nationalist historians.
- d. Who wrote Marxist historiography? Name two Marxist historians?
- e. What was Voltaire's opinion on writing history?
- f. Name two Greek historians.
- g. What is the concept of positivism?
- h. What is Oral History?

Section - B

2. Attempt any two of the following:

6 x 2

- a. What is Historiography? Discuss its concept and scope.
- b. Write a note on Roman Historiography.
- c. Examine the significance of the two Indian epics as source of ancient Indian Historiography.
- 3. Attempt any two of the following:

7 x 2

- a. Examine the significance of *Rajtarangini* as a source of medieval Indian Historiography.
- b. Write a note on Rihila.
- c. Describe one dominant Historiographic tradition of the West.
- 4. Attempt any two of the following:

7 x 2

- a. Critically describe the writings of Imperialist school of History on the Indian national movement.
- b. Explain the economic critique of colonialism by the early Indian Nationalist historians.
- c. Write a note on Dialectical Materialism.
- 5. Attempt any one of the following

14 x 1

- a. Write a note on women's position in History.
- b. Critically analyze the important features of the book 'Border's and Boundary': women in India's partition.