



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL
B.A. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2020

DSE1-HISTORY

Full Marks: 60

ASSIGNMENT

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should give assignment based answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**The question paper contains two parts: Part-I and Part-II.
The candidates are required to answer any *one* from *two* parts.
Candidates should mention it clearly on the Answer Book.**

PART-I

History of the USSR (1917-64)

**Answer any *three* questions from the following
each within 1000 words preferably**

20×3 = 60

1. Discuss the factors responsible for the October Revolution of 1917 in Russia. 20
2. Discuss the relationship of the Whites and the Reds with the peasantry during the Civil War. What factors led to the victory of the Bolsheviki eventually? 20
3. Discuss the features of War Communism. Why were the policies of this period abandoned? 20
4. Discuss the New Economic Policy (NEP). Why did it fail? 20
5. Write an essay on the great debate of Soviet Industrialization. 20
6. How did the process of collectivization affect Soviet economy and society? 20

PART-II

History of Modern East Asia-I (1840-1911)

**Answer any *three* questions from the following
within 1000 words each**

20×3 = 60

1. Briefly discuss about the structure of Canton trade. Account for the causes of its failure. 12+8
2. Write an essay on the nature and character of the Taiping Rebellion. 20
3. Discuss the main features of the Self-strengthening movement. What were the defects and limitations of the movement? 10+10
4. Discuss the causes and nature of the Buxar Movement. 20
5. Describe the United States' Open door policy in China. How did it affect China? 10+10
6. Discuss the role of Sun Yat-sen in the Chinese Revolution of 1911. 20

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