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Bangladesh Studies

Paper 1: The History and Culture of Bangladesh

Thursday 11 May 2017 – Afternoon
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference

4BN0/01

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **three** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Write your answers neatly and in good English.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer THREE questions.

**You must start the answer to your first question on page 5.
You must start the answer to your second question on page 9.
You must start the answer to your third question on page 13.**

Section 1: Bengal before the Mughals

1 Explain the ways in which Bengal changed under the Pala dynasty.

In addition to your own knowledge, you may use the following to help in your answer:

- Buddhism
- administration
- art and architecture

(Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)

Section 2: Bengal in the Mughal Empire

2 Explain how Bengal developed under Shaista Khan in the seventeenth century.

In addition to your own knowledge, you may use the following to help in your answer:

- European traders
- muslin
- administration of Shah Shuja

(Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)

Section 3: Bengal under British rule

3 Explain the importance of the following in the development of Bengal in the nineteenth century:

- Bengal Renaissance
- War of Independence, 1857
- Indian National Congress

Explain your answer with reference to all **three** of the above.

(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)



Section 4: Bengal from partition to partition: 1905–1947

4 Explain why Bengal was partitioned in 1947.

In addition to your own knowledge, you may use the following to help in your answer:

- Direct Action, 1946
- Lord Mountbatten
- The Radcliffe Commission, 1947

(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)

Section 5: Undivided Pakistan

5 Explain the importance of the following political developments in Bengal in the years 1947 to 1962:

- formation of the Awami League, 1949
- The United Front, 1954
- Basic Democracies, 1959

Explain your answer with reference to all **three** of the above.

(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

Section 6: The struggle for independence and the creation of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

6 Explain why the Pakistani forces were unable to defeat Bangladeshi forces in the War of Liberation.

In addition to your own knowledge, you may use the following to help in your answer:

- Pakistan army's tactics
- guerrilla warfare
- Indian support for Bangladesh

(Total for Question 6 = 20 marks)



Section 7: Bangladesh since 1975

- 7** Explain the ways sport, women's rights and popular culture have developed in Bangladesh since 1975.

(Total for Question 7 = 20 marks)

Section 8: The heritage, language and culture of Bangladesh

- 8** Explain the importance of Begum Sufia Kamal to the development of Bangladeshi culture in the twentieth century.

In addition to your own knowledge, you may use the following to help in your answer:

- Begum magazine
- The Language Movement
- social work

(Total for Question 8 = 20 marks)



(This page is for your second answer.)

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