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Bangladesh Studies

Paper 1: The History and Culture of Bangladesh

Thursday 10th May 2018 – Afternoon
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference

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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 why the Bengali Sultanate collapsed during the sixteenth century.

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

- the successors of Hossain Shah
- Sher Shah
- the expansion of the Mughal Empire.

(Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)

Section 2: Bengal in the Mughal Empire

- 2** Explain why the Mughal Empire found it difficult to gain control of all of Bengal in the late sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

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

- the Bara-Bhuiyans
- the geography of East Bengal
- revolts by zamindars.

(Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)

Section 3: Bengal under British rule

- 3** Explain the ways in which Lord Cornwallis changed British rule of Bengal.

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

- finance
- administration
- trade.

(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)

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

4 Explain why demands for Indian independence grew in the years immediately after the First World War.

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

- the Montague-Chelmsford reforms 1919
- the Rowlatt Act 1919
- the Amritsar Massacre 1919.

(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)

Section 5: Undivided Pakistan

5 Explain why East Pakistan opposed the aims and policies of Jinnah in the years after Pakistan became independent.

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

- post of Governor-General
- Urdu
- the weakness of the Constituent Assembly.

(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

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

6 Explain the importance of the government of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in the years 1972 to 1975.

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

- Rakkhi Bahini
- BAKSAL
- the Special Powers Act and the State of Emergency.

(Total for Question 6 = 20 marks)



Section 7: Bangladesh since 1975

- 7 Explain the impact of Hussain Muhammad Ershad on Bangladesh in the 1980s and 1990s.

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

- political successes
- reforms
- social policy.

(Total for Question 7 = 20 marks)

Section 8: The heritage, language and culture of Bangladesh

- 8 Explain the importance of Kazi Nazrul Islam to Bangla culture in the twentieth century.

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

- poetry
- music
- social ideas.

(Total for Question 8 = 20 marks)



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