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PRE MID TERM EXAM, 2025-26

HISTORY 027

Class: XII

Date: 5.08.25

Admission no:

Time: 1hr

Max Marks: 25

Roll no:

## General Instructions:

- I. Question paper comprises four Sections – A, B, C and D. There are 13 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
- II. Section A – Question 1 to 6 are MCQs of **1 mark** each.
- III. Section B – Question no. 7 to 10 are Very Short Answer Type Questions, carrying **2 marks** each. Answer to each question should not exceed 40-60 words.
- IV. Section C - Question no. 11 and 12 are Short Answer Type Questions, carrying **3 marks** each. Answer to each question should not exceed 80-100 words.
- V. Section D – Question no.13 is Long Type Question, carrying **5 marks**. Answer to this question should not exceed 120-150 words.
- VI. There is no overall choice in the question paper.

## SECTION-A

- Q1. The French jeweller who travelled to India many times was- 1
- (a) Duarte Barbosa  
(b) Roberto Nobili  
(c) Jean-Baptiste Tavernier  
(d) François Bernier
- Q2. Which of the following statement is not true regarding Ibn Battuta? 1
- (a) He was a Moroccan traveller to India.  
(b) His book of travels is known as 'Badshahnama'  
(c) He had expertise in the Islamic religious law Sharia.  
(d) He had made a pilgrimage to Mecca.
- Q3. There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and reason (R). Read these statements and choose the correct answer from the given options- 1
- Assertion (A): The Bhakti Saints mainly used the regional languages for spreading their teaching among the masses.  
Reason (R): The Delhi Sultans as well as the Mughals made Persian their official language.
- Options:
- (a) Both A and R are correct and R is the correct explanation of A.  
(b) Both A and R are correct but R is not the correct explanation of A.  
(c) A is correct but R is wrong.  
(d) A is wrong but R is correct.
- Q4. Who among the following were the principal deities of the Vedic pantheon? 1
- (A) Agni (B) Vishnu (C) Indra (D) Shiva (E) Soma

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (B), (D), (A) Only (b) (B), (C), (D) Only  
(c) (A), (C), (E) Only (d) (C), (D), (E) Only

Q5. The major anthology composed by the Alvars was the \_\_\_\_\_.

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- (a) Nalayira Divyaprabandham  
(b) Nalayira Purabandham  
(c) Nalayira Alvabandham  
(d) None of the above

Q6. There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and reason (R). Read these statements and choose the correct answer from the given options-

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Assertion (A): The accounts of travelers provide valuable insights into the social and cultural practices of different societies.

Reason (R): Travelers often meticulously recorded their observations of daily life, rituals, and social hierarchies in their travelogues.

Options:

- (a) Both A and R are correct and R is the correct explanation of A.  
(b) Both A and R are correct but R is not the correct explanation of A.  
(c) A is correct but R is wrong.  
(d) A is wrong but R is correct.

### **SECTION-B**

Q7. What were the similarities and differences between the Be-shari'a and Ba-shari'a sufi traditions?

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Q8. Discuss the ways in which the Alvars, Nayanars and Virashaivas expressed critiques of the caste system.

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Q9. Name the famous work written by Bernier. What did he write about sati system?

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Q10. What was Ibn-Battuta's impression of Indian cities?

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### **SECTION-C**

Q11. Discuss the major beliefs and practices that characterised Sufism.

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Q12. What were the "barriers" discussed by Al-Biruni that obstructed him in understanding India?

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### **SECTION-D**

Q13. Describe the major teachings of Kabir Das and explain how these teachings were transmitted over time.

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