

**3 SEM TDC HST M 2**

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( November )

**HISTORY**

( Major )

Course : 302

**( Social and Economic History of Assam )**

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Answer the following questions in *one* word or in *one* sentence each : 1×8=8
- (a) Which class of the people in Ancient Assam was depended on fish for their livelihood?
- (b) Kesai Khati refers to which cult of religious worship?
- (c) Which Koch king was the contemporary of Sankardeva?
- (d) Who was the chief owner of land in Medieval Assam?

- (e) Name the king during whose reign the land measurement procedure was introduced in Medieval Assam.
- (f) In which year Stamp Duty was introduced in Assam?
- (g) When was the 'Sarbijanik Sabha' founded?
- (h) Name the missionary who first compiled the Modern Assamese Dictionary.

2. Write short notes on any *three* of the following : 4×3=12

- (a) Status of Women in Ancient Assam
- (b) Development of Satras
- (c) Trade in Medieval Assam
- (d) Tea Economy in Colonial Assam
- (e) Rayot Sabha

3. Write a brief note on different occupational groups of Ancient Assam.

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Or

Make a critical estimate of the different religious beliefs and practices of Assam in the ancient period.

4. Who was a Paik in the Ahom Administration? Give an idea of the Paik system of Medieval Assam. 2+10=12

Or

Who launched Neo-Vaishnavite Movement in Assam in the 16th century? Discuss the impact of Neo-Vaishnavite Movement of Assam on society. 12

5. Discuss about the classification and ownership of land in Medieval Assam. 12

Or

Give an account of the land revenue and other taxes of Medieval Assam.

6. Discuss the importance of coal and oil for the growth of industries. How far were the British successful in using these resources in Assam? 12

Or

Evaluate the growth of 'road' and 'railways' in Colonial Assam. Do you think that it has accelerated the economic development of Assam? 6+6=12



7. Discuss about the language controversy in Assam in the 19th century. What role did the missionaries play in it? 6+6=12

Or

Write a brief note on the development of press and growth of public associations in Colonial Assam. 12

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