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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2020**

(CBCSS)

History

HIS 1C 01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**General Instructions**

1. *In cases where choices are provided, students can attend **all** questions in each section.*
2. *The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section / Part shall remain the same.*
3. *There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.*

**Section A (Short Answer)**

*Answer any **four** of the following.  
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Define Research.
2. Semiotics.
3. Card system.
4. Deconstruction.
5. Index.
6. Plagiarism.
7. Exposition.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)

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**Section B (Short Essay)**

*Answer any **four** of the following  
Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. Distinguish between qualitative and quantitative methods of research.
9. Examine the practice of textual analysis proposed by Michel Foucault.
10. Analyse the importance of hypothesis in historical research.
11. Assess oral history as an alternative source and method.
12. "Objectivity is an illusion, but a necessary and beneficial illusion"—Discuss.
13. Describe the need-of historical generalisation.
14. 'A well arranged bibliography reveals the depth of a research work'— Comment.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

**Section C (Essay)**

*Answer any **two** of the following.  
Each question carries 5 weightage.*

15. Assess the factors to be considered for the selection of a research problem.
16. Analyse the types and methods of source criticism in historical research.
17. Prepare a model research synopsis on a topic of your own choice.
18. Explain the methods, techniques and styles of citation.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)