St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata

Question Pattern for MA History Admission Test - 2024

A. Two essay-type questions of 25 marks each. Out of Four options.
B. Five short notes of 6 marks each. Out of Seven options.
C. Ten MCQ of 2 marks each. Out of Twelve options.

Therefore-
2x25 = 50
5x6 = 30
10x2 = 20

Total: 100 marks

SYLLABUS FOR M.A ENTRANCE TEST IN HISTORY

1. Prehistoric and Ancient India: Major themes, issues and debates
2. Early Medieval India: Themes and debates in politics, economy, society and culture
3. India during the Mughals-- Historiography; nature of polity, economy, religion during the reign of Akbar and Aurangzeb; Jagirdari Crisis; Peasant Revolts.
4. The 18th Century Debate.
5. The ideological conflict of the nineteenth and twentieth century Bengal- The reformers, The radicals, the conservatives.
7. Western Political Thoughts: Concepts and Ideas
9. Voice of dissents- Role of peasants, labours, Dalit and Women in Indian Nationalism.
10. The French Revolution.
11. The idea of Socialism and the Socialists- Utopian and Scientific.
12. International Relations up to 1945