

M.A. Examination 2018
Semester-I
Comparative Religion
Course : MACOMRCP 102
History of Comparative Religion
(For Back Candidates)

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin

Answer **any four** questions.

1. Who is called 'the Father of Comparative Religion'? Discuss his contributions in details. 10
 2. What is the relationship between the rise of rationalism in Europe and Comparative Religion? Discuss. 10
 3. Discuss the importance of Herbert Spencer in establishing 'Comparative Religion'. 10
 4. What is 'science of religion'? How and in what sense is 'science of religion' possible when science and religion are opposed to each other? 2+8=10
 5. Give an idea of the effect of sea voyages in early modern Europe on the creation of environment for modern study of religion. 10
 6. Write short note on **any two** of the following : 5+5=10
 - a) Religious exclusivity of medieval Europe.
 - b) Religious open-mindedness of the Greeks.
 - c) Christian Deism
 - d) David Hume's 'Natural History of Religion'.
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