

**M.A. Examination, 2018**  
**Semester-III**  
**History**  
**Course : DSE-3 (Optional)**  
**History in Literature**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Full Marks : 40**

**Questions are of equal value**

Answer **any four** questions

1. Trace the significance of literature in historical understanding of an age.
  2. How far is 'Sabhyatar Sankat' ('Crisis of Civilization) relevant to the understanding of 'nationalism' in today's world?
  3. Do you think that Mahashweta Devi's 'Aranyer Adhikar' was a meeting point of minds of a litterateur, a historian and an environmentalist? Give justification for your answer.
  4. Why is 'Anandamath' considered to be a necessary reading to understand the emergent nationalism in India?
  5. How far is Tarashankar Bondyopadhyay's 'Ganadevata' successful in portraying the agrarian society of Rarh Bengal?
  6. To what extent does 'Pather Debi' of Sharat Chandra Chattopadhyay portray the contemporary age?
  7. Do you think that 'Gora' by Rabindranath Tagore is an essential reading to understand the contemporary India?
  8. Do you agree with the view that Manto's short stories should be regarded as an 'alternative archive' to understand the Partition days?
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