

M.A. Examination 2018
Semester-IV
History
Course : E-8 (Optional)
The Colonial Army and Indigenes Society (1757-1947)

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 40

Questions are of equal value

Answer **any four** questions

1. How was the recruitment policy of the pre-Mutiny Madras Army different from that of the pre-mutiny Bengal Army?
 2. The Bengal sepoy was a 'Peasant In Uniform'. Would you agree with this statement?
 3. What light does recent historiography shed on the role of marginal communities during 1857?
 4. Could the local Mutinies in the Colonial Armies be described as a prelude to 1857.
 5. Elucidate the circumstances in which the Martial Race Theory came into being in the 1880's. Was it really a new concept?
 6. What shifts did the First World War bring about as far as the ethos and Ideology of the British Indian Army was concerned?
 7. Would you agree with the notion that the apolitical nature of the 'Post-Independence' Indian Army was a 'colonial legacy'?
 8. Discuss the impact of Decolonization on the British Indian Army.
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