

TDC (CBCS) Even Semester Exam., 2024

HISTORY

(6th Semester)

Course No. : HISSEC-601T

(History of Tea Industry in Assam)

Full Marks : 50

Pass Marks : 20

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

UNIT—I

1. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

1×3=3

(a) Name the most important colonial innovation in Assam.

(b) By whom was the tea plant discovered in Assam?

(c) Which was the first tea company formed in India?

(d) In which year was the Junglebari Settlement Rules introduced?

2. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 2

(a) What is wasteland?

(b) Mention two provisions of the Assam Rules, 1855.

3. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5

(a) Write a note on the origin of tea cultivation in the Brahmaputra valley.

(b) Give an account of the expansion of tea industry in the Brahmaputra valley.

UNIT—II

4. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

1×3=3

(a) Who was the first indigenous tea planter of Assam?

(b) When was the Jorhat Tea Company formed?

- (c) In which year was the Tea Districts Emigrant Labour Act passed?
- (d) Name the chief commissioner of Assam who took initiative to improve the condition of the tea garden labourers in Assam.
5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 2
- (a) Name the two oldest tea companies in the Brahmaputra valley.
- (b) Name any two tea gardens purchased by Jorhat Tea Company in 1859.
6. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5
- (a) Throw light on the settlement of labourers in the Brahmaputra valley.
- (b) Give a pen picture on the condition of the migrated tea labourers in the Brahmaputra valley during the closing decade of the 19th century.

UNIT—III

7. Answer any *three* of the following questions : $1 \times 3 = 3$
- (a) Where did the first tea plantation take place in Cachar?

- (b) Name the first tea company of Sylhet which received allocation of the land for tea cultivation.
- (c) Who was the first European to get lease of land for tea cultivation in Cachar?
- (d) Name the book authored by Ramkumar Vidyaratna on the condition of the tea garden labourers.
8. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 2
- (a) Write the names of two tea gardens owned by indigenous tea companies in Surma valley.
- (b) Name two tribes which committed frequent raids in the tea garden areas of Cachar.
9. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5
- (a) Trace the growth of tea cultivation in Surma valley.
- (b) Review the crisis faced by the tea industry in Surma valley.

UNIT—IV

10. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

1×3=3

- (a) How many people were accused in the Baladhan murder case?
- (b) When did Chargola exodus take place?
- (c) Name the nationalist weekly published from Sylhet that highlighted the Chandpur incident.
- (d) When was the Sylhet-Cachar Cha Mazdur Union established?

11. Answer any *one* of the following questions :

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- (a) Name two nationalist leaders of Surma valley who came forward to arrange relief for the victims of Chandpur incident.
- (b) Mention two demands of the tea garden labourers during strike of 1938-39 in Cachar.

12. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5

- (a) Write a note on Chargola exodus.
- (b) Trace the history of tea labourers unrest in Cachar during 1938-39.

UNIT—V

13. Answer any *three* of the following questions :
1×3=3

- (a) When was Tocklai Tea Research Institute established?
- (b) Where is the headquarters of Indian Tea Association located?
- (c) Name the tea company that provided the land for Tocklai, Jorhat.
- (d) Who presided over the first meeting of the Tea Auction Centre, Guwahati?

14. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 2

- (a) Mention two impacts of tea industry on the economy of Assam.
- (b) Name two places in the Brahmaputra valley where branch offices of Indian Tea Association are located.

15. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5

- (a) Write a note on Indian Tea Association.
- (b) Trace a brief history of the Tocklai Tea Research Institute.

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