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Second Semester M.A. Degree Examination, October 2018

**HISTORY**

**HY 221 : Historical Method – II  
(2014 Admission Onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

**SECTION – A  
(Long Essay Questions)**

Answer **any three** questions. **Each** question carries **15** marks.

1. Explain the process through which you identify a research problem. Illustrate with suitable examples.
2. What is oral history ? Explain methods of collecting, documenting and disseminating oral testimonies in historical research.
3. Critically examine the relevance of archival sources in reconstructing India's colonial past.
4. Discuss how discourse theory of Michel Foucault helps textual analysis in historical research.
5. Examine the prospects and problems of historical research in digital age.

**(3×15=45 Marks)**

**SECTION – B  
(Short Essay)**

Answer **any five** questions. **Each** question carries **6** marks.

6. Differentiate between method and methodology.
7. What do you know about hypothetico-deductive reasoning ?
8. How are autobiographies useful in reconstructing the past ?
9. Why is annotated bibliography more useful for researchers in history ?
10. What is mosaic plagiarism ?
11. What are style sheets ?
12. Why is historiographical review essential in historical research ?
13. What is the importance of cartography in local environmental history research ?

**(5×6=30 Marks)**