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( July )

HISTORY

( Honours )

[ **Pre-Colonial North-East India**  
(From the Earliest Times to 1823) ]

[ HISUG-608 (1) ]

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The questions are of equal value*

Answer *any five* questions

1. Discuss *either* the literary *or* archaeological sources for the study of early Assam.
2. Trace the emergence of Kamarupa as a regional kingdom between the 5th and 10th centuries of the common era.
3. Why was the bulk of the population of Kamarupa grouped under the Shudra category?

4. Examine the socio-economic basis of urbanization in the Brahmaputra Valley in the pre-Ahom period.
5. Discuss the system of land-holding and peasantry in the Ahom period.
6. What was the extent and nature of trade in early Northeast India? Discuss with reference to any one area under study.
7. In what way did the introduction of iron contribute to the making of socio-political institutions in early Northeast India? Discuss with reference to any one area under study.
8. Examine the impact of Neo-Vaishnavite Movement on the socio-cultural landscape of the Brahmaputra Valley.
9. To what factors would you attribute the development of the institution of Chieftainship? Discuss with reference to any one of the hill areas of Northeast India.
10. To what extent did the economic interests of the British contribute to their political interference in Northeast India? Discuss.

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