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Bangladesh Studies
PAPER 1: History and culture of Bangladesh

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- In Section A, answer mandatory Question 1.
- In Section B, answer **one** question from Questions 2, 3 and 4.
- In Section C, answer **one** question from Questions 5 and 6.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- Good luck with your examination.

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SECTION A

You must answer the question in this section.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

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You should aim to spend no more than 30 minutes on this section.

1 Towards Bengali independence (1947–1975)

(a) Identify the year that Pakistan and India reached a temporary agreement to the Canal Water Dispute.

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- A 1947
- B 1948
- C 1949
- D 1950

(b) State **two** ways in which there were immediate problems facing the new state of Bangladesh in 1971.

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(c) Explain why Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was assassinated in 1975.

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(d) 'The Agartala Conspiracy Case was the main reason for the outbreak of the War of Liberation in 1971.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- the mass uprising of 1969
- rule from West Pakistan.

You **must** also use information of your own.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 25 MARKS



SECTION B

Answer ONE question from this section.

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If you answer Question 2 put a cross in the box ☒ .

2 Early Bengal (AD 600–c1538)

(a) Identify the king who conquered Nadia.

(1)

- A Bakhtiyar Khalji
- B Hussain Shahi
- C Laksmanasena
- D Vallala Sena

(b) State **two** achievements of Shashanka.

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(c) Explain why Sufism was important in early Bengal.

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If you answer Question 3 put a cross in the box .

3 The Mughal Empire (c1550–1764)

(a) Identify the year when the East India Company was founded.

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A 1597

B 1598

C 1599

D 1600

(b) State **two** achievements of Murshid Quli Khan.

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(c) Explain the impact of Aurangzeb's domestic policies on the stability of the Mughal Empire.

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(d) 'The establishment of Dhaka as the capital of Bengal was the most important achievement of Islam Khan.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- trade
- subahdars.

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If you answer Question 4 put a cross in the box .

4 Bengal under British rule (1764–1911)

(a) Identify the year that the Indian National Congress was formed.

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A 1885

B 1886

C 1887

D 1888

(b) State **two** terms of the India Act of 1784.

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(c) Explain how Hindus opposed the partition of Bengal.

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(d) 'The military strength of the British was the main reason why the War of Independence failed.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- British diplomacy
- the ruler of Kashmir.

You **must** also use information of your own.

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SECTION C

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If you answer Question 5 put a cross in the box ☒ .

5 The road to partition (1909–1947)

(a) Identify the year the Rowlatt Act was introduced.

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- A 1918
- B 1919
- C 1920
- D 1921

(b) State **two** reasons why the Cripps Mission failed in 1942.

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(c) Explain why the three Round Table Conferences failed.

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If you answer Question 6 put a cross in the box .

6 Bangladesh: establishing the new country (1975–2001)

(a) Identify the year that Ekushey took place.

(1)

- A** 1949
- B** 1950
- C** 1951
- D** 1952

(b) State **two** ways that Bangladesh has been successful in its relationship with the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC).

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(c) Explain why architecture is an important aspect of Bangladesh's cultural history.

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(d) ‘Begum Khaleda Zia was more successful as Prime Minister than Sheikh Hasina Wazed in the 1990s.’

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- Begum Khaleda Zia’s education reform
- Sheikh Hasina Wazed’s women’s rights.

You **must** also use information of your own.

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