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**Course: HISTORICAL RESEARCH METHODS (5676)**

**Level: MA (History)**

**Semester: Autumn, 2013**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Pass Marks: 40**

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

**(Units 1–4)**

- Q.1 Discuss various definitions of History. Elaborate the most appropriate definition of History. (20)
- Q.2 State and examine the objections raised against the Objectivity of History. Also analyze the response of various historians in defence of History. (20)
- Q.3 'History is not intelligible without Geography'. Elaborate with examples. (20)
- Q.4 'No documents no history'. Elaborate the statement. (20)
- Q.5 How does Archaeology complement History? Explain. (20)

**ASSIGNMENT No. 2**

**(Units 5–9)**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Pass Marks: 40**

- Q.1 Explain the different classification of sources, also evaluate the difference between primary and secondary sources. (20)
- Q.2 Define Analytical Methods. Bring out their significance with examples. (20)
- Q.3 Analyze the role of Individual in History. Illustrate your answer with few examples of individuals who influenced the course of History. (20)
- Q.4 Examine the criteria of selection of a topic for a research study. (20)
- Q.5 Why Acknowledgement and Documentation is considered a significant part of research that determines its quality? (20)