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**(Department of History)**

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**Course: DECLINE OF THE MUGHALS IN INDIA (5678)**

**Level: MA (History)**

**Semester: Autumn, 2013**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Pass Marks: 40**

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

**(Units 1–4)**

- Q.1 Discuss briefly the primary sources of later Mughal period. (20)
- Q.2 Account for the problems faced by Later Mughal rulers in retaining their hold over the vast Indian Empire. (20)
- Q.3 Discuss the size of the independent states which sprang up out of the ruin of the Mughal Empire in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. (20)
- Q.4 What were the reasons behind the rivalry between the French East India Company and the English East India Company? Also analyze the factors that contributed to the supremacy of the later over the former company. (20)
- Q.5 Write notes on the following topics: (10+10)
- i) Annexation Policy of Dalhousie                      ii) Third battle of Panipat

**ASSIGNMENT No. 2**

**(Units 5–9)**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Pass Marks: 40**

- Q.1 How did foreign invasion contribute to the decline of the Mughal Empire in India? (20)
- Q.2 Discuss in detail the different invasions of Ahmed Shah Abdali in India. (20)
- Q.3 Critically examine the factors which led to the downfall of the Mughal Empire in India. (20)
- Q.4 How far is it correct to say that the revolt of 1857 was the first Indian War of Independence? (20)
- Q.5 Write short notes on the following topics: (10+10)
- i) Shah Wali Ullah    ii) Tipu Sultan