



বিদ্যাসাগর বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়

**VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY**

**B.A. Honours Examination 2021**

(CBCS)

**1st Semester**

**HISTORY**

**PAPER—C1T**

**GREEK AND ROMAN HISTORIANS**

*Full Marks : 60*

*Time : 3 Hours*

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group - A**

Answer any *four* questions.

4×12

1. Write an essay on Greek historiography before Herodotus.
2. Make a critical assessment of Herodotus as a historian.
3. Why does Thucydides' *History of the Peloponnesian War* qualify as a valid historical account? What are its weaknesses?

4. How did Cicero justify the role of mortality in the writing of history?
5. Discuss the plague epidemic in Athens, according to Thucydides.
6. Make an assessment of Cato, the Elder.
7. Compare the writing style of Livy and Tacitus.
8. Evaluate Polybius as a historian.

**Group - B**

Answer any *six* questions.

6×2

9. What is known about the historical works of Charon of Lampsacus?
10. What is the subject matter of Herodotus' *The Histories*?
11. What is the subject matter of the *History of the Peloponnesian War*?
12. What is logography?
13. What do you mean by Pragmatic History?
14. What is *Graeci Annals*?
15. Who was Diodorus Siculus? Write the name of one of his notable books.
16. Who signed the Peace of Nicias Pact and when?
17. Mention the name of any two books written by Cato.
18. Why was Hecataeus of Meletus been regarded as the most important predecessor of Herodotus?



