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(Department of History)

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Course: Muslims in India--712-1526 (5673) Semester: Spring 2014 Level: MA (*History*) Total Marks: 100

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## Assignment No. 1

(Units: 1-4)

- Q.1. Discuss the phenomenon of military expansion during the times of the Pious Caliphs and the Early Umayyad rulers, with special reference to the Northwestern peripheral regions of India? (20)
- Q.2. Explain the political, social, cultural and economic impact of the Arab conquest on Sindh, Multan and Gujarat. (20)
- Q.3. Discuss the origin of 'Turkish Militarism' in the Abbasid Empire, and its impact on the expansionist policy towards India. (20)
- Q.4. Assess the contribution of Sultan Shams al-Din Iletmish in consolidating the Sultanate of Delhi. (20)
- Q.5. Critically analyze the reforms introduced by Sultan 'Ala al-Din Khalji in the Sultanate of Delhi, as well as their rationale? (20)

## Assignment No. 2

(Unit 5-9)

Total Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 40

- Q.1. Sultan Sikandar Shah is considered to be the ablest and most competent king of the Lodhi dynasty. Why? (20)
- Q2. What were the important features of the defense policy of the Delhi Sultans against the Mongol invaders? (20)
- Q3. How did the Sultans of Delhi encourage agriculture in India by devising state policies for its improvement? (20)
- Q4. What was the message of the Bhakti Movement, and who were its major proponents? (20)
- Q5. What do you understand by 'Court Chronicles'? What kind of historiographical tradition did they represent? (20)