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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 2–4.
- In Section C, answer **one** question from Questions 5–6.
- 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.

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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 when Mohammad Ali Jinnah visited Dhaka.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	A 1946
<input type="checkbox"/>	B 1947
<input type="checkbox"/>	C 1948
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(b) State **two** features of 'Operation Searchlight.'

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(c) Explain why there were difficulties in establishing the new state of Bangladesh in 1971.

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(d) 'The referral of Kashmir to the United Nations was the most important achievement of the new state of Pakistan.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- the Line of Control
- the 1948 agreement over water.

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

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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 established himself in Gauda.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	A Devapala
<input type="checkbox"/>	B Dharmapala
<input type="checkbox"/>	C Mahipala
<input type="checkbox"/>	D Shashanka

(b) State **two** beliefs of the Sufis.

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(c) Explain why Haji Ilyas was an important individual in the history of Bengal.

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(d) 'The conquests of Bakhtiyar Khalji were the most important achievements of his reign.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- Nadia
- administrative reforms.

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

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If you answer Question 3 put a cross .

3 The Mughal Empire (c1550–1764)

(a) Identify who fought in the battle of Chausa.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	A Akbar
<input type="checkbox"/>	B Babur
<input type="checkbox"/>	C Musa Khan
<input type="checkbox"/>	D Sher Shah

(b) State **two** achievements of Islam Khan.

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(c) Explain why the British became interested in the Indian subcontinent.

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(d) 'The main weakness of the Mughal Empire was the number of invasions it faced.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- the size of the Empire
- succession issues.

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

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

4 Bengal under British rule (1764–1911)

(a) Identify who opposed the British at Kanpur in 1857.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	A Mir Jafar
<input type="checkbox"/>	B Nana Sahib
<input type="checkbox"/>	C Ranjit Singh
<input type="checkbox"/>	D Rhani of Jhansi

(b) State **two** terms of the Diwari Treaty.

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(c) Explain the impact of the War of Independence on the government of Bengal after 1858.

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(d) 'Bengal was partitioned because it was too large.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- administrative problems
- Hindu nationalism.

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

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SECTION C

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

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

5 The road to partition (1909–1947)

(a) Identify the year of the Second Round Table Conference.

(1)

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<input type="checkbox"/>	B 1931
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<input type="checkbox"/>	D 1933

(b) State **two** features of the Delhi proposals of 1927.

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(c) Explain the importance of the Lucknow Pact of 1916.

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(d) 'The main reason why the British failed to reach agreement on partition during the 1940s was the outbreak of World War Two.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement.

You may use the following in your answer:

- the Cripps Mission, 1942
- the Simla Conference, 1945.

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

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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 who wrote the poem 'Kabar'

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	A Kazi Nazrul Islam
<input type="checkbox"/>	B Jasimuddin
<input type="checkbox"/>	C Begum Sufia Kamal
<input type="checkbox"/>	D Rabindranath Tagore

(b) State **two** achievements of Lalon Shah.

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(c) Explain why Bangladesh joined world organisations after 1971.

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