B.A. (Honours) Semester-I Examination 2014 HISTORY (Subsidiary)

Course: S-2.1

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer any three questions.

- 1. Who was the real founder of the Delhi Sultanate, Qutbuddin Aibak or Shamsuddin Iltutmish? Give reasons to support your view.
- 2. Critically discuss Balban's theory of kingship.
- 3. Muhammad bin Tughlaq has been dubbed an "ill-starred idealist". Is this assessment valid?
- 4. In Satish Chandra's opinion, "the Turkish state in India was militaristic and aristocratic". Discuss.
- 5. Describe the growth of Sufism in India, with particular reference to the Chishti and Suharwardy silsilahs.
- 6. Write a note on Arabic and Persian literature during the period 1200-1526 in India.