## B.A. (Honours) Semester IV Examination 2017 History (Honours) Course: H-11 (Optional) Old

**Understanding 1857** 

Time: 3 Hours Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value

## Answer any three questions.

- 1. The Bengal sepoy was but a "peasant in uniform". Comment.
- 2. What links did the local mutines in the Company Armies prior to 1857 have with the revolt of 1857?
- 3. Did the Bengal army have a culture of 'Conditional Difference'? How did its culture differ from that of the Bombay army?
- 4. How did the Madras Army deal with the religious beliefs of the sepoys?
- 5. What were the ways in which the rebels and the Company communicated during the revolt of 1857?
- 6. Did the transition from a Paternal Mode of Command to a more Impersonal Mode of Command signify a decline in the functioning of the Company Armies?

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