2015

HISTORY
(Major)

Paper: 6.3

[History of Europe (1871–1945)]

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer the following in 1 word or 1 sentence each: \[1 \times 7 = 7\]

(a) Who was Adolphe Thiers?

(b) In which State would you find the Reichstag?

(c) Who was the last Tsar of Russia?

(d) Who was the first king of the new State of Italy?

(e) Name the treaty signed by Russia and Turkey on 3rd March, 1878.
(f) Who was the leader of the Young Turks?

(g) In which year was the Locarno Pact signed?

2. Answer the following in brief: 2x4=8

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(b) What do you understand by the term 'Prisoner in the Vatican'?

(c) Give any two reasons for the failure of the League of Nations.

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3. Write short notes on any three of the following: 5x3=15

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(b) Reforms of Alexander II

(c) Bismarck's Economic Policy

(d) Joseph Stalin

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4. Answer any three of the following: 10x3=30

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(b) Why did the Treaty of Berlin fail to bring peace in the Balkans?

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