

## Intro to Human Sciences (HS8.102)

### QUIZ ONE

Max. Time: 45 mins

Max. Marks: 40

29 January 2026

### History Module SECTION B

#### Section I

*(Answer ALL questions. 120–150 words each. 5 marks each.)*

**Question 1.** What does it mean to say that there can be no completely neutral or objective fact, while still distinguishing between genuine and false facts?

**Question 2.** Why is chronology described as the “spine of history”?

**Question 3.** Distinguish between any two schools of writing Indian history, and explain what differentiates them.

**Question 4.** How did cartography and the Great Trigonometrical Survey contribute to the making of modern India?

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#### Section II

*(Answer ONE question. 350–400 words. 20 marks.)*

**Question 5.** Explain how the concepts of fact and periodisation together shape the way historians construct the past. (Draw on the lectures on historical facts and historical time; and the readings of EH Carr, Sherlock Holmes, and Romila Thapar.)

OR

**Question 6.** Discuss this statement: “Modern India was produced not only politically, but statistically and geographically.” (Draw on lectures on History in India; and the readings of Carr, Sherlock Holmes, and Bernard Cohn)