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MAIN EXAMINATION – APRIL/MAY 2008

TITLE PAPER: COMPARATIVE HISTORY OF INDUSTRIALIZATION

COURSE CODE: H405

TIME ALLOWED 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer **FOUR** (4) QUESTIONS
2. Answer at least one question from each section
3. All questions carry equal marks (25).

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PERMISSION TO DO.**

SECTION A

1. Critically analyse Walther Hoffmann's theory which argues that in the process of getting industrialised countries go through a specific pattern.
2. What is the importance of industrialisation to economic development?
3. How has the state been involved in the process of industrialisation in Third World countries?
4. Discuss the technological problems which have been faced by Third World countries in their attempts to industrialise.

SECTION B

5. What were the main features of the European economy and society before the advent of industrialisation?
6. Why was Britain the first to industrialise?
7. Critically discuss why Germany remained industrially backward at a period when Britain was far ahead.
8. In what ways did Russian economy experience a transformation before the 1917 Revolution?