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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
(ARTS)**

HIST 412: PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY

STREAMS: B.ED (ARTS) (PART/TIME)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: FRIDAY 08/08/2025

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer any two questions. Question one is compulsory

1(a) Discuss the differences between speculative and critical approaches to the philosophy of history (20 marks)

(b) Compare and contrast the historical philosophies of Hegel and Marx with regard to the progress and role of human agency (20 marks)

2. Evaluate the contribution of R.G Collingwood to the study of history (20 marks)

3. Examine the enlightenment view of history. How did thinkers like Kant and Voltaire frame the development of humanity? (20 marks)

4. Critically assess the idea that history can be studied scientifically. Refer to the views of Carl Hempel (20 marks)

5. Analyze the impact of postmodernism on the philosophy of history, with reference to Michel Foucault and Hayden White (20 marks)

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