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DEGREE OF MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY

Master of Philosophy in Economics

ECONOMIC HISTORY 1

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Please start the answer to each question on a separate page.

Answer TWO questions, ONE from Part A and ONE from Part B. In the answers, explain more than one interpretation or analysis, and assess the evidence and methods used.

Candidates may use their own calculators.

Do not turn over until told that you may do so.

Part A

1. Did the black death give rise to the European Marriage Pattern?
2. Can historic institutions explain modern patterns in relative economic development? Answer with reference to recent published research in economic history.
3. Contrast the response of the economies of Europe and Asia to globalization in the period 1500-1900.

Part B

4. How does recent work on historical national accounting affect our understanding of the Great Divergence?
5. What light do silver and grain wages before 1800 shed on the European Little Divergence and the Great Divergence between Europe and Asia?
6. How did Britain take over from India as the world's major producer and exporter of cotton textiles?