

ASIAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES TRIPOS, PART II

Chinese Studies

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C.18 CHINA AND WARFARE

Answer 3 questions

Write your number not your name on the cover sheet of each Section booklet.

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20 Page Answer Book x 1 Rough Work Pad

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator.

Answer three of the following questions.

All questions are of equal value.

- 1. Explain the reasons for the military successes of the Taiping Rebels.
- 2. 'Zeng Guofan defeated the Taiping Rebellion'. Assess this assertion.
- 3. How significant was the Sino-French War in the decline of the military power of the Qing Dynasty?
- 4. What were the short and long-term consequences of China's defeat by Japan in 1895?
- 5. How important was military force in sustaining European imperialism in China?
- 6. How useful is the concept of total war in understanding military change in modern China?
- 7. Assess the military strategy of the Nationalists during the War of Resistance.
- 8. In what ways did Communist "people's warfare" constitute a new approach to war?
- 9. Compare the leadership styles of Zeng Guofan and Mao Zedong.
- 10. 'Modern East Asia is the product of WWII'. Assess this statement.

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