

HIST 4572

Response No. 4 / Due in class on April 24

Name _____

Type your answer out on a separate sheet of paper. Each answer should be one paragraph long (single-spaced). Attach this question sheet as a cover sheet with your response. Besides the Nehru readings on the website, feel free to use the Metcalf and Ludden textbooks as source material.

1. After India became independent from the British in 1947, it took on a leading role in global anti-colonial movement. Analyze the reading by Nehru (“To Peace Through Nonalignment and Freedom from Fear”) and describe Nehru’s position in terms of the Cold War, i.e., did he favor India being more pro-Soviet or pro-American? Explain. How did he use history to justify his position? What was the name of the movement which India led?
2. What was Nehru’s attitude towards industrial development in India? (See the reading entitled “Full Progress in a Full Democracy”). Based on this reading, what did he think was one of the major problems India faced? What was his opinion about the role of small industries? Would you say his approach was closer to socialism? Explain.
3. Use the Metcalf and Ludden texts to answer the following questions: What was the Green Revolution? Who were the architects behind this program? Summarize some of the effects of the Revolution as it played out in India.