

B.A. (Honours): History
Six Semester Programme

COURSE CONTENT

(With effect from the Academic Year 2010-2011)



Department of History
Banaras Hindu University

Varanasi

SEMESTER- I

BSH- 111

History of India from earliest times till the Mauryan period

3 credits

Unit I

Sources: Archaeological, Literary, Foreign accounts

Introduction to Prehistoric Cultures of India: Paleolithic, Neolithic, Mesolithic, Chalcolithic

Harappan civilisation: Discovery, Main Features, Decline, Legacy

Unit II

Vedic period: Nature of Vedic literature; Political, Social, Economic and Religious life of Vedic people

The Mahakavyas: Ramayana and Mahabharata as Sources for the Reconstruction of Ancient Indian History

The Religious Movements of post Vedic period: Jainism, Buddhism -- their Emergence, Main Teachings and Role of Monastic Order

Unit III

Foreign Invasions: Persian Invasion of Darius I; Greek Invasion of Alexander; Effects of Invasions

Ganarajyas: Functioning, Type, and Decline

Emergence of Magadh: Geographical Background; Early Dynasties: Haryankas.

Shaisunagas, Nandas

Unit IV

Socio-economic Conditions of North India at time of the Emergence of Mauryas

Rule of the Mauryas: Chandragupta, Bindusar, Ashoka

Administration of Mauryas; Ashoka's Dhamma Policy

Unit V

India's Contact with the Outside World during the Mauryan Period: Its Effects on Art, Literature, Social Life

Recommended Books:

A. L. Basham: The Wonder that was India. Sidgwick and Jackson, 1954

D.D. Kosambi: Culture and Civilization of Ancient India. Vikas Prakashan, 1994

D.N.Jha: Ancient India: An Historical Outline. Manohar Publishers & Distributors, Delhi, 1999.

H.C. Raychoudhary: Political history of Ancient India: From the Accession of Parikshit to the Extinction of the Gupta Dynasty. University of Calcutta, 1950

Hasmukhlal Dhirajlal Sankalia: The Prehistory and Proto-history of India and Pakistan. University of Bombay, 1962.

K.A. Nilakanta Sastri: Age of Nandas and Mauryas. Motilal Banarsidass, 1967

K.A. Nilakanta Sastri: History of South India: From Prehistoric Times to the Fall of Vijayanagar. Oxford University Press, 1958

Nayanjot Lahiri & Upinder Singh (Editors): Ancient India: New Research. Oxford University Press, 2010
Om Prakash: Pracheen Bharat Ka Itihas. New Age International Pub. (P) Limited, 1971
R.C.Majumdar: Ancient India. Motilal Banarsidass, 1964
----- Ancient Indian Colonisation in South-East Asia. Oriental Institute, 1955
----- Praacheen Bharat. Motilal Banarsidass, 2002
----- Shrenya Yug. Motilal Banarsidass, 1984
R.E.M. Wheeler: The Indus Civilization. Cambridge University Press, 1953
R.S. Sharma: India's Ancient Past. Oxford University Press, 2006
R.S. Tripathy: History of Ancient India. Motilal Banarsidass, 1942
Radhakrishna Chaudhary: Prachin Bharat ka Rajanitik evam Sanskritik Itihas. Bharati Bhavana, 1967
Rajbali Pandey: Prachina Bharata. Nandakisora, 1968
Rakesh Pandey: Bharatiya Puratatva
Romila Thapar: Ashoka and the Decline of the Mauryas. Oxford University Press, 1980
-----History of India. Penguin, 1990

BSH- 112

History of Europe: 1453-1648

3 credits

Unit I

Renaissance: Social Roots
Humanism and its Spread in Europe
Art

Unit II

Reformation: Origin, Course and Results
Counter Reformation
Thirty Years Wars: Significance

Unit III

European State System: Spain, France, England and Russia

Unit IV

Colonial Expansion and Economic Development: Motives, Voyages, Discoveries, and Exploration
Early Colonial Empires of Portugal and Spain
Shift of Economic Balance from Mediterranean Ocean to Atlantic
Commercial Revolution and Price Revolution

Unit V

17th Century Crises in Europe: Economic, Social and Political

Recommended Books:

H. L. Singh & R.B. Singh: Aadhunik Europe ka Itihas 1453-1789. Student's Friend, Allahabad, rev. 2011-12
Ferdinand Schevill: A History of Modern Europe
E.M. Burns, Philip Ralph et al.: World Civilisations. Goyle Saab Publishers, 1991
J.R.Hale. Renaissance Europe: The Individual and Society 1480-1520. Fontana, London, 1971
J.H. Parry: The Age of Reconnaissance. Berkeley, 1981
C.J. H. Hayes: Cultural and Political History of Europe Vol. 1(1500-1830)
G.W. Southgate: A Text Book of Modern European History (1643-1781)
H.A.L Fisher: A History of Europe
Acton: Lectures of Modern History
The New Cambridge Modern History, Vol. I-VI, VI, XIV
Partha Sarthi Gupta (ed.): Aadhunik Paschim ka Uday. University of Delhi
Minakshi Phukan: Rise of Modern West, Macmillan Publishers India Limited, 2000

Sem I Ancillary (3 credits)

BSH A- 111

History of Ancient India

Unit 1

Source Material:

Literary - Religious and Secular

Archaeological - Pottery, Monuments, Inscriptions and Coins

Unit 2

Indian Civilization:

Indus valley civilization, Vedic and Later Vedic Culture

Rise and Growth of Jainism & Buddhism

Unit 3

Imperial State and After:

Establishment of the Mauryas: Chandragupta Maurya and Ashok

Sunga dynasty and Kushana

Unit 4

The Second Empire:

Imperial Guptas: Samudragupta, Chandragupta II and Skandgupta

Cultural life in Gupta period

Unit 5

Northern India in Post-Gupta period:

Rise of Kingdoms of Thaneswar

Cultural life of North India (750-1200)

Recommended Books:

D.D. Kosambi: Culture and Civilization of Ancient India. Vikas Prakashan, 1994

D.N.Jha: Ancient India: An Historical Outline. Manohar Publishers & Distributors, Delhi, 1999

Rajbali Pandey: Prachina Bharata. Nandakisora, 1968

Romila Thapar: History of India. Penguin, 1990

Sem I Ancillary

BSH A-112 (3 credits)

British Rule in India (upto Partition of Bengal)

Unit 1

British - French Struggle for Supremacy:

First, Second and Third Carnatic Wars

Unit 2

British Ascendancy in Bengal:

Battle of Plassey, Buxar and their Significance

Unit 3

Administration of Governor Generals:

Warren Hastings, Lord Cornwallis and Wellesley. Reforms of William Bentinck and Lord Dalhousie

Unit 4

Disintegration of Regional Forces:

Mysore, Maratha and Sikhs. The Revolt of 1857 and its effects

Unit 5

Reconstruction of British Rule:

Administration of Lord Canning and Ripon, Reforms under Lord Curzon's Rule and the Partition of Bengal

Recommended Books:

S. Gopal, British Policy in India, 1885-1905

Percival Spear, A History of India, Vol. II

B. L. Grover & Yashpal, History of Modern India

SEMESTER II

BSH- 121

History of India – From Shunga to Gupta Dynasty

3 Credits

Unit I

Shungas: Pushyamitra

Satavahanas: Gautamiputra Satakarni

Cultural Achievements of the Shunga- Satavahana Period: Sculpture, Architecture, Literature

Indo-Greeks: Menander

Indo-Parthians: Gondophernes

Unit II

Kushanas: Kanishka

Art and Literature of Kushana period

Mahayana Buddhism: Emergence, Main Tenets

Western Kshatrapas: Rudradaman

Kalinga ruler: Kharavela

Unit III

Political Condition of South India reflected through the Sangam Literature

Spread of North Indian Culture to Southern Indian Peninsula

India's Contact with Rome and its Impact

Unit IV

Guptas: Chandragupta I, Samudragupta, Chandragupta II

Decline of the Imperial Guptas

Cultural Achievements of the Gupta Period: Debate about Golden Age

Unit V

Later Guptas

Vakatakas: Cultural Achievements of the Vakataka period

India's Contact with South- East Asia

Recommended Books:

R.C.Majumdar: Ancient India. Motilal Banarsidass, 1964

A K Narain: The Indo-Greeks: Revisited and Supplemented. B.R. Pub. Corp, 2003

A. L. Basham: The Wonder that was India. Sidgwick and Jackson, 1954

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Bhavana, 1967
Rajbali Pandey: Pracheen Bharat. Nandakishor, 1968
RomilaThapar: Ashoka and the Decline of the Mauryas. Oxford University Press, 1980
-----History of India, vol.I. Penguin, 1990
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BSH- 122

History of Europe (From Glorious Revolution up to French Revolution)

3 credits

Unit I

The Glorious Revolution- Major Issues and Political and Intellectual Currents

Unit II

Scientific Revolution upto 18th Century; Mercantalism and European Economy in 17th
and 18th Century

Unit III

American War of Independence: Political and Economic Issues and Significance

Unit IV

European Political Patterns and Ideas in the 18th Century: Parliamentary Monarchy;
Patterns of Absolutism in Europe
French Revolution: Causes and Nature

Unit V

Background and Beginning of Industrial Revolution
Debates on Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism: Problems and Theories

Recommended Books:

H.L. Singh and R.B. Singh: Aadhunik Europe Ka Itihas 1453-1789
Ferdinand Schevill: A History of Modern Europe
C.J.H. Hayes: Cultural and Political History of Europe Vol. 1(1500-1830)
G.W. Southgate: A Text Book of Modern European History (1643-1781)
David Ogg: Europe in 17th Century
H.A.L Fisher: A History of Europe
Robinson & Beard: Europe in Renaissance and Reformation.
Acton: Lectures of Modern History
The New Cambridge Modern History: Vol. 1-V, VI, XIV
Parth Sarthi Gupta (ed.): Aadhunik Paschim ka Uday
Minakshi Phukan: Rise of Modern West

Sem II Ancillary

BSH A-121 (3 credits)

Indo-Islamic Culture in Medieval India

Unit 1

Establishment of Delhi Sultanate:

Nature of State; Intermediaries and Non-Muslims; Position of Women and Slave.

Unit 2

Bhaktism:

Emergence of Bhakti Movement in India; Major Bhakti saints and their teachings with special reference to Kabir, Raidas, Tulsi and Nanak

Unit 3

Sufism:

Establishment of Sufi Silsilas in India; Chishti, Suharwardi, Shattari and Firdausi

Relationship between Sufis and Non-Muslims

Emergence of Khanqas/Jamat Khanas and Dargahs as centres of composite culture in India

Unit 4

Indian Architecture and Painting:

Basic features of Buildings of Sultanate Period and element of composite culture

Painting: Development of Painting under Mughals

Development of Education, Language and Music in Medieval India

Various element of composite culture in life style, dress, food habits, entertainment etc

Recommended Books:

K.M. Ashraf: Hindustan ke Niwasiyon ka Jeevan aur Unki Paristithiyan. Tr.By KS. Lal,1969

Satish Chandra: Essays in Medieval Indian Economic History. New Delhi, 1987

-----Madhyakalin Bharat, I & II, Jawahar Publication, Delhi

-----Madhyakalin Bharat : Rajniti, Samaj aur Sanskriti. Orient Longman, New Delhi, 2007

A.L. Srivastava: Bharat ka Itihas (1000-1707). Shivalal Agarwal and Co. Agra, 1995

-----Madhyakalin Bharatiya Sanskriti. Shivalal Agarwal and Co., Agra

Sem II Ancillary

BSH A- 122 (3 credits)

History of Indian National Movement and Constitutional Development

Unit 1

Constitutional development of India during Company's Rule: Regulating Act of 1773, Pitts Act of 1784

Unit 2

1857 & First War of India's Independence; Government of India Act of 1858; Indian Council Act of 1861

Unit 3

Establishment of INC; the Moderate Phase; the Indian Council Act of 1892; Creation of Muslim League; The Extremist Phase; the Indian council Act of 1909

Unit 4

Home Rule League; Advent of Mahatma Gandhi; Government of India Act of 1919; Non-Cooperation Movement; Civil Disobedience Movement; Government of India Act of 1935

Unit 5

Quit India Movement; Cripps Mission; Wavell's Plan; Cabinet Mission Plan; Attlee's Declaration; Mountbatten's Plan & Partition; The Indian Independence Act of 1947

Recommended Books:

A B Keith, A Constitutional History of India

Bisheshwar Prasad, Origins of Provincial Autonomy

Gurumukh Nihal Singh, Landmarks in Indian Constitutional and National Development.

SEMESTER III

BSH- 211

History of North India (600A.D. to 1200 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Harshvardhana: Political Achievements; Contribution to Religion Learning

Rule of Pratiharas: Vatsaraj, Nagabhata, Mihirbhoj; Contribution of the Pratiharas to Art and Literature

Rule of the Palas: Dharmapala, Devapala; Palas as Patrons of Buddhism

Unit II

Struggle for Supremacy over Kannauj between Pratiharas, Palas and Rashtrakutas

Emergence of Rajputs: Theories of Origin

The Arab Invasion of Sindh: Causes and Effects

Unit III

Paramars of Malwa: Vakpati Munja; Bhoja and his Contribution to Various Fields of Knowledge

Chalukyas of Gujarat: Jaysimha Siddharaj, Kumarpal; Chalukyas as Patrons of Jainism

Chandellas of Bundelkhand: Dhang, Vidyadhar; Contribution of Chandellas to Indian Architecture

Unit IV

Kalachuris of Tripuri: Gangeyadeva, Lakhmikarna
Gahadvalas; Govindachandra, Jayachandra
Senas: Ballalsena, Lakhman Sen; Senas as Patrons of Sanskrit Language
Chauhanas of Shakambhari: Vigharaj IV, Prithviraj III; Architectural and Literary
Activities under Patronage of Chauhanas

Unit V

Invasion of Mahmood of Ghazni: Main Events, Impact of the Invasion, Personality of Mahmood

Invasion of Mohammad Ghori: Main Events, Impact of Invasion

Emergence of Feudal Order during Early Medieval Period: Major Debates

Recommended Books:

Brajdulal Chattopadhyay: The Making of Early Medieval India. Oxford University Press, second edition, 2012

C.V.Vaidya: History of Medieval India 2 vols.

D.N.Jha (ed.): Feudal Order: State, Society and Ideology in Early Medieval India. Manohar Publishers and Distributors, 2003

Devahuti: Harsha - A Political Study. Oxford University Press, Third edition, 2001

Lallanj Gopal: The Economic life of Northern India (c. 700-1200). Motilal Banarsidass, 1989

R.C. Majumdar: Suvarṇadvīpa: A Cultural History. (reprint) Gian Publishing House, 1986

R.S. Sharma: Early Medieval Indian Society: A Study in Feudalism. Sangam Books Ltd, 2001

R.S. Tripathi: History of Kanauj to the Moslem Conquest. Motilal Banarsidass, 1989

Romila Thapar: The History of Early India: From the Origins to AD 1300. Penguin India, 2003

Vishuddhananda Pathak: Uttari Bharat ka Rajanitik Itihas

BSH- 212

History of India (1200 A.D. to 1320 A.D)

3 Credits

Unit I

India on the Eve of Turkish Invasion: The Principal North Indian States, Indian Feudalism
Foundation of Muslim Rule in India: Factors behind Turkish success; Muhammad Ghauri;
Qutbuddin Aibak

Unit II

Consolidation of Delhi Sultanate: Iltutmish, Elimination of Rivals, Conquests and
Coercion of Local Intermediaries/Zamindars/Ruling Elites

Unit III

Successors of Iltutmish: Razia and Balban; *Turkan-i-Chehalgani*, Balban's Theory of
Kingship, Internal Measures, His External policy; The Mongols

Unit IV

Fall of the Balban Dynasty and Rise of Khaljis: Kaiqubad and Bughra Khan; Khalji Revolution; Jalaluddin Khalji; Accession of Alauddin Khalji as a Ruler

Unit V

Alauddin Khalji: Agrarian Measures, Market Control Policy, Deccan Policy and Role of Malik Kafur, Mongol Policy; Decline of Khaljis

Recommended Books:

- K.M. Ashraf: Hindustan ke Niwasiyon ka Jeevan aur Unki Paristithiyan. Tr.By KS. Lal,1969
- Satish Chandra: Essays in Medieval Indian Economic History. New Delhi, 1987
-----Madhyakalin Bharat, I & II, Jawahar Publication, Delhi
-----Madhyakalin Bharat : Rajniti, Samaj aur Sanskriti. Orient Longman, New Delhi, 2007
- Das, Puri and Chopra: Madhyakalin Bharat
- R.C. Dutt, Majumdar, Ray Chaudhary: Bharat ka Brihad Itihas. Calcutta,1960
- Irfan Habib (ed.): Medieval India-I: Researches in the History of India 1200-1750. Delhi, 1992
-----Bhartiya Itihas me Madhyakal, Tr. by Ramesh Rawat, Granth Shilpi, 1999
-----Madhyakalin Bharat, Part I to VI. Rajkamal Prakashan, Delhi
-----The Economic History of Medieval India: A Survey. Tulika Books, 2001
- Muhammad Habib: Politics and Society during the Early Medieval Period. edited by K.A. Nizami, Delhi
- K.S. Lal: History of Khaljis. New Delhi, 1980
- Harbans Mukhia: Madhyakalin Bharat, Naya Aayam. Tr. by Nadim, Rajkamal Prakshan, Delhi
- S.B.P. Nigam: Nobility under the Delhi Sultannate. Delhi, 1968
- K.A. Nizami: Some Aspects of Religion and Politics in India during the Thirteenth Century. Bombay,1961
- P.N. Ojha: Madhyakalin Bharat ka Samajik Jeevan. New Delhi,1984
- B.A. Saletore: Social and Political life in the Vijayanagar Empire (A.D. 1246-1646). 2 Vols.
B.C. Paul and Company, Madras, 1934
- Ghanshyam Dutt Sharma: Madhyakalin Bharatiya Samajik, Aarthik evam Rajnitik Sansthaeyin, Rajasthan Hindi Grant Akadmi, Jaipur, 1986
- A.L. Srivastava: Bharat ka Itihas (1000-1707). Shivrul Agarwal and Co. Agra, 1995
-----Madhyakalin Bharatiya Sanskriti. Shivrul Agarwal and Co., Agra
- Tarachand: Influence of Islam on Indian Culture. Allahabad
- R.P. Tripathi: Some Aspects of Muslim Administration. Allahabad, 1974
- S.C. Verma: Madhyakalin Bharat - I., Delhi University, 1993
- B.N.S. Yadav: Society and Culture in Northern India in the 12th Century. Allahabad, 1973
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Sem III Ancillary

BSH A – 211 (3 credits)

Glimpses of Modern European History (1453-1945)

Unit 1

Renaissance and Reformation:

Renaissance: Roots, Spread in Europe, Development in Art

Reformation: Course and Results

Unit 2

Evolution of European State System:

Spain, France, England and Russia. Shift from Despotism to Enlightenment

Unit 3

Revolutions in Europe:

Glorious Revolution, French Revolution and Russian Revolution

Unit 4

Economic Developments in Europe:

Commercial Revolution, Agricultural Revolution and Industrial Revolution

Unit 5

World Wars:

First World War: Causes, Results.

Second World War: Causes and Results

Recommended Books:

H.L. Singh and R.B. Singh: Aadhunik Europe Ka Itihas 1453-1789

Ferdinand Schevill: A History of Modern Europe

C.J.H. Hayes: Cultural and Political History of Europe Vol. 1(1500-1830)

Parth Sarthi Gupta (ed.): Aadhunik Paschim ka Uday

SEMESTER IV

BSH- 221

History of South India (600 A.D. to 1200 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Rule of Badami Chalukyas: Pulakeshin II, Vikramaditya II; Chalukyas as Patrons of Art, Literature and Architecture

Rashtrakutas: Dhruv, Govinda III, Amoghvarsh

Chalukyas of Kalyani: Someshver II, Vikarmaditya VI; Cultural Achievements of the Chalukyas of Kalyani

Unit II

Western Gangas: Shripurush, Bharasimha III; Western Gangas as Patrons of Art and Learning

Yadavas of Devagiri: Seunachandra, Bhillama V; Establishment of Devagiri as Capital of Yadavas

Hoysalas of Dvarsamudra: Vir Ballal

Kakatiyas: Rudradeva

Unit III

Pallavas: Mahendravarman I, Narasimhavarman II; Aryanization of South during the Pallava Period: Meaning and Substance

Pandyas: Varaguna I, Srimara

Unit IV

Cholas: Emergence and Early History: Rajaraj I, Rajendra, Kulottunga I

Unit V

Cultural Exchange between India and South-East Asia

Idea of Greater India

Important Trade Routes linking India and Countries of South-East Asia

Recommended Books:

Keshavan Veluthat: The Political Structure of Early Medieval South India. Orient Blackswan, 2012

AS. Altekar: The Rashtrakutas and their Times. Oriental Book Agency, Poona, 1967 (Second revised edition)

Balakrishnan Raja Gopal: The Chalukyas of Kalyana and the Kalachuris. Prasaranga, Karnatak University, 1981

----- The Rashtrakutas of Malkhed: Studies in the History and Culture. Geetha Book House, 1994

Durga Prasad Dikshit: Political History of the Chālukyas of Badami. Abhinav Publications, 1980

K.A.Nilakant Sastri: The Cholas. Madras University Press, 1975(Reprint)

-----The Culture and History of the Tamils. Firma K. L. Mukhopadhyay, 1964

S.M. Mishra: Dakshin Bharat Ka Rajnitik Itihas. New Age International, 1995

R.C. Majumdar: Suvarṇadvīpa: A Cultural History. (reprint) Gian Publishing House, 1986

Burton Stein: Peasant State and Society in Medieval South India. Oxford University Press, 1980

BSH- 222

History of India (1320 A.D. to 1526 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Tughlaqs: Ghayasuddin Tughlaq's Administrative and Fiscal Measures; Muhammad bin Tughlaq: The Token Currency, Transfer of Capital, Karachil Expedition, Rebellion and Famine in Doab

Unit II

Firoz Shah Tughlaq: Religious Policy, Military Expeditions, Hereditary Posts and Assignments, Public Welfare Works; His Responsibility for the Decline of Delhi Sultanate

Unit III

Syeds and Lodis: Invasion of Timur, Establishment of Syed Dynasty and their rulers. Lodi empire: Bahlol Lodi, Sikandar Lodi, Ibrahim Lodi; Lodi's theory of Kingship, Fall of the Lodis; First Battle of Panipat

Unit IV

Sufism: Definition; Prominent Sufi Silsilas and Saints in India with special reference to Chishti, Suhrawardi and Firdausi; Relationship between Sufi and State

Unit V

Bhaktism: Definition; Prominent Bhakti Saints with special reference to Kabir, Raidas and Nanak Vaishnavism and Shaivism; Evolution of Composite Culture

Recommended Books:

KM., Ashraf: Hindustan ke Niwasiyon ka Jeevan aur Unki Paristithiyan. Tr. by K.S.Lal, 1969

Satish Chandra: Essays in Medieval Indian Economic History, New Delhi, 1987

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K.A. Nizami: Some Aspects of Religion and Politics in India during the Thirteenth Century. Bombay, 1961

------(ed.): Medieval India, A Miscellany, Vols. II and III. Bombay, 1972 & 1975

P.N. Ojha: Madhyakalin Bharat ka Samajik Jeevan. New Delhi, 1984

B.A. Saletore: Social and Political Life in the Vijayanagara Empire (AD. 1246-1646), 2 Vols. B.G. Paul and Company, Madras, 1934

Ghanshyam Dutt Sharma: Madhyakalin Bharatiya Samajik, Aarthik evam Rajnitik Samsthayein. Rajasthan Hindi Granth Akademi, Jaipur, 1986

I.H. Siddiqi: History of Sher Shah Sur. Aligarh, 1971

A.L. Srivastava: Bharat ka Itihas (1000-1707). Shivalal Agarwal and Co., Agra, 1995

----- Madhyakalin Bharatiya Samskiriti. Shivalal Agarwal and Co, Agra

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R.P Tripathi: Some Aspects of Muslim Administration. Allahabad, 1974

S.C. Verma: Madhyakalin Bharat-I. Delhi University, 1993

B.N.S. Yadav: Society and Culture in Northern India in the 12th Century. Allahabad, 1973

Sem IV Ancillary

BSH A-221 (3 credits)

Social-Religious Reform Movements of the 19th and mid 20th Centuries

Unit 1

Religious Reform Movements among Hindus:

Brahmo Samaj, Prathana Samaj, Arya Samaj, Ramakrishna Movement, Theosophical Movement: Nature and Significance

Unit 2

Religious Reform Movements among Muslims: Ahamadiya Movement, Aligarh Movement, Deoband School: their Impact

Unit 3

Social Reform Movements:

Efforts to Improve Position of Women: Prohibition of Sati, Infanticide, Child Marriage, Widow Remarriage; Education of Women and its Significance

Unit 4

Struggle Against Caste System:

Impact of New Forces; Movements Against Caste System with Reference to Narayan Guru and Jyotiba Phule and Impact on Society

Unit 5

Gandhi and Ambedkar:

Views on caste system, Ideas of social reforms and reconstruction

Recommended Books:

Charles Heimsath: Indian Nationalism and Hindu Social Reforms, Princeton University Press, 1964

A. R. Desai: Social Background of Indian Nationalism. Popular Book Depot, Bombay, 1959

Kenneth Jones: Socio-Religious Reform Movement in Modern India. Cambridge University Press, 1995

B. L Grover and Yashpal: History of Modern India

SEMESTER V

BSH- 311

History of India (1526 A.D. to 1627 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

The Political condition of Hindustan on the Eve of Babur's Invasion

Babur: Early Career, Battle of Panipat, Khanwa, Ghaghara and Chanderi

Unit II

Humayan: Political and Military Difficulties; Role of his Brothers, His Relationship with Bahadur Shah; Sher Shah and his Nobility; Factors behind Humayun's Failure against Sher Shah

Unit III

Sher Shah: Early career, Rise to Power in Bihar and Bengal

Reign of Sher Shah: His Military Victory; Administration – especially Military and Revenue Administration; Collapse of Sur Regime

Unit IV

The Age of Akbar: Regency of Bairam Khan, Internal Conflict, Role of Harem in Mughal Politics (1560-64); Akbar's Religious, Rajput and Deccan Policies; Uzbek

Evolution of Mansab and Jagir System, Revenue Administration

Unit V

Jahangir: Accession of Jahangir, His Measures after Accession, Religious and Rajput Policies, Role of Nur Jahan, Revolt of Mahabat Khan and Bir Singh Bundela, Tussle for Succession in last years of Jahangir's Reign

Recommended Books:

- KM., Ashraf: Hindustan ke Niwasiyon ka Jeevan aur Unki Paristithiyan. Tr. by K.S.Lal, 1969
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BSH- 312

History of India (1740 A.D. to 1805 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Political Conditions in India in 1740: Anglo-French Struggle (Carnatic Wars), Consequences, Significance; Battle of Plassey and Consequences (1757-1760)

Unit II

Third Battle of Panipat: Importance (1761); Haider Ali (Mysore)
First Anglo-Mysore War: Consequences; Nawab Mir Kasim of Bengal, Battle of Buxar (1764) Treaties of Allahabad (1765); Dual Government in Bengal; Role of Clive; Impact of Dual Government

Unit III

Administration of Warren Hastings (1772-1786), Relation with States, First Anglo-Maratha War (1775-1782), Second Anglo-Mysore War; Impeachment of Warren Hastings; Regulating Act (1773); Pitt's India Act (1784)

Unit IV

Administration of Lord Cornwallis (1786-1793): Permanent Settlement, Judicial Reforms; Tipu Sultan and Third Anglo-Mysore War
Lord Wellesley (1798-1805): System of Subsidiary Alliance and Empire Building; Fourth Anglo-Mysore War, Consequences

Unit V

Second Anglo-Maratha War (1803-05), Consequences

Recommended Books:

Ramkrishna Mukherji: The Rise and Fall of the East India Company
R.C. Mazumdar, H.C. Raychaudhary and Kalikinkar Datta: An Advanced History of India (In Hindi: Bharat ka Brihad Itihas)
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Satya Ray :Bharat me Upniveshavad aur Rashtravad
G.N. Singh: Landmarks in the Constitutional and National Development of India (Hindi anuvad: Gurumukh Nihal Singh, Bharat ka Samvidhanik aur Rashtriya Vikas)
S.C. Sarkar: The Bengal Renaissance (In Hindi: Bengal ka Navjagaran)

BSH- 313

History of India (1857 A.D. to 1909 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Overview of India after 1857; Queen's Proclamation of 1858 and its Critical Analysis
Constitutional Developments from 1858-1909: The Government of India Act 1858; Indian Council's Act of 1892

Unit II

Socio-Religious Reform Movements in the Second Half of Nineteenth Century: Arya Samaj and Dayanand; Prarthana Samaj; Widow Remarriage and Vidya Sagar; Jyotiba Phule and Satya Sadhokak Samaj; Syed Ahmad Khan and Aligarh Movement

Unit III

Economic Policies in the Second Half of Nineteenth Century: Famines and Famine Policy; Development of Railways and Irrigation and their Impact; Rise of Cotton Textile Industries; Evolution of Banking and Finance; Overview of De-Industrialization Debates in Modern Indian Historiography

Unit IV

Emergence of Indian Nationalism: Pre-Congress Political Organizations and Associations; Formation of Indian National Congress; Analysis of Policies during Lytton, Ripon and Curzon's Vice-Royalties; Overview of Historiographies of Nationalism in India

Unit V

Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement; Extremists Challenge to Moderates; Congress Surat Split; Formation of Muslim League: Objectives and their Analysis; Morely Minto Reforms of 1909: Provisions and their Critical Analysis

Recommended Books:

Sekhar Bandyopadhyaya: From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India. Delhi: Orient Longman, 2004 [Also available in Hindi]

Bipin Chandra, Mridula Mukherjee, Aditya Mukherjee, K. N. Pannikar and Sucheta Mahajan: India's Struggle for Independence. New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 1989. [Also available in Hindi]

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S.N. Sen: Eighteen Fifty-Seven. New Delhi: The Publication Division. Ministry for Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, 1957 [Also available in Hindi]

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BSH- 314

History of Europe (Late 18th Century to 19th Century)

3 credits

Unit I

The French Revolution and its European Repercussions; Crisis of the Ancient Regime; Emergence of Napoleon Bonaparte: Expansion, Consolidation and Downfall

Unit II

Congress of Vienna & Peace Settlements; Metternich, phase of Conservatism; French Revolutions of 1830 and 1848; Napoleon III: Domestic and Foreign Policy

Unit III

Eastern Question upto 1856

Unit IV

Unification of Italy and Germany; Reforms of Czar Alexander II

Recommended Books:

David Thompson: World History: 1914-1968. Oxford University Press, 1969

Charles Downer Hazen: Modern Europe Since 1789. S. Chand Ltd., New Delhi, 1995

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Brandenburg Erich: From Bismarck to the World War. S. Chand, New Delhi

BSH- 315

History of West Asia from Mid 19th Century to 1945 A.D.

3 credits

Unit I

Political, Economic and Social Condition of West Asia in Mid 19th Century; Interest of Great Western Powers in West Asia

Unit II

Tanzimat Era; Abdul Hamid's Policy of Reforms, Limitations; Young Turk Movement; Programme and Achievements

Unit III

Turkey and First World War; Emergence of Kamal Pasha; Reforms and Achievements

Unit IV

Growth of Anglo-French Imperialism in Egypt; Rise of Nationalism: Causes and Results

Unit V

Anglo-Egyptian Relations: Treaty of 1936 and afterwards till Second World War

Recommended Books:

Bernard Lewis: The Emergence of Modern Turkey

George Kirk: Short History of the Middle East

Sydney N Fisher: The Middle East

Hasan Kayali: Arabs and Young Turk

William Yale: The Near East

HE Wortham: Mustafa Kamal

Henry A Foster: Mustafa Kamal

Erik J Zurrcher: Turkey, A Modern History

M Rowlatt: Founders of Modern Egypt

BSH- 316

History of Modern China (1839 A.D. to 1969 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

China's confrontation with External and Internal Crises:

Introduction: Land, Politics and Culture; The Opium Wars and the Unequal Treaty System

Taiping Rebellion and other Agrarian and popular Movements

Unit II

Qing Restoration and Modernization Movements:

Self Strengthening; Hundred Days Reform; Expansion of Foreign Powers and “Scramble for Concessions”; Boxer Rebellion

Unit III

Search for New Solutions:

Revolution of 1911; Sun Yat Sen and his Contribution; The May Fourth Movement and its Significance

Unit IV

Nationalism and Revolution:

Rise of Communist party and KMT; Establishment of First United front: 1924-27; Chiang Kai Shek and KMT; The Nanjing Decade 1928-37; Mao Zedong and CPC: Growth of Revolution from the Countryside 1927-1935; Second Sino-Japanese War and Success of Communist Revolution 1937-49

Unit V

Establishment of Communist State and its Challenges:

Transition to Socialism and Factional Conflicts; Great Leap Forward; Cultural Revolution 1966-69

Recommended Books:

Jean Chesneaux: China from the Opium Wars to the 1911 Revolution. Pantheon Books, 1976

-----China from the 1911 Revolution to Liberation. Random House, 1977

-----China: The People’s Republic 1949-76. Pantheon Book, 1979

J.K. Fairbank (with Merle Goldman): China: A New History. Harvard University Press, 1992

Immanuel Y. Hsu: The Rise of Modern China. OUP, 1995 (5th Ed)

Maurice J. Meisner: Mao’s China. W.W.Norton & Co., 1999 (2nd Ed)

Ranbir Vohra: China’s Path to Modernization: A Historical Review from 1800 to the Present. Prentice-Hall, 2000

BSH 317

An Introduction to Historical Research Method

3 Credits

Unit 1

History: Definition; Development of Historical Concepts
Introducing E. H. Carr’s *What is History*

Unit 2

History and its Allied Subjects with special reference to Geography, Cartography and Political Science

Unit 3

Sources for the study of History:

Primary and Secondary: Textual, Material, Digital, Oral
Historical Methods

Unit 4

Sources for the study of Indian History - Ancient, Medieval, Modern and Contemporary

Unit 5

Significance and Purpose of History

Recommended Books:

E. H. Carr, What is History, London, 1961 (Hindi translation available)

Arthur Marwick, The Nature of History, Macmillan, London, 3rd edition 1989, Translated by L. B. Verma, *Itihaas ka Swarup*, Granth Shilpi, 2003]

L. B. Verma, Itihaas ke bare mein, Itihaas Bodh Prakashan, 4th edition 2003

SEMESTER VI

BSH- 321

History of India (1628 A.D. to 1740 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Shah Jahan: Conflict for the Throne, Accession, Deccan Policy, Golden Age of Empire, War of Succession, Recovery of Qandhahar

Unit II

Aurangzeb: Accession, Religious and Rajput Policies; Deccan: Rise of Shivaji and Aurangzeb's Struggle for Deccan

Unit III

Shivaji and Maratha Power: Expansion of Maratha Power, Maratha State under Shivaji, Shambhaji and Raja Ram, Effect of Aurangzeb's Deccan Policy on Mughal Empire

Unit IV

Downfall of Mughal Empire: Factors behind Decline of Mughal Empire, Major Theories on Decline; Later Mughals; Rise of Successor States

Unit V

Mughal Administration: Central and Provincial Administration, Agrarian System of Mughal Empire

Development of Architecture and Paintings under Mughals

Trade and Commerce: Inland and Overseas Trade, Commodities of Trade

Development of Persian, Hindavi and Regional Languages under Mughals

Recommended Books:

K.M., Ashraf: Hindustan ke Niwasiyon ka Jeevan aur Unki Paristithiyan. Tr. by K.S.Lal, 1969

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BSH- 322

History of India (1805 A.D. to 1857 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Charter Act of 1813: Provisions and Importance
Administration of Lord Hastings (1813-1823), Concept of Paramountcy, Contribution to Empire Building
Anglo-Nepal War (1814-1816); Third Anglo-Maratha War (1818-1819), First Anglo-Burmese War (1824-1826)

Unit II

Maharaja Ranjeet Singh, Rise and Fall of Sikh Kingdom, Relations with East India Company (1806-1832)
Administration of Lord William Bentinck, Social Policy, Relations with Indian States, Development of Ryotwari and Mahalwari Revenue systems, Charter Act of 1833

Unit III

First Anglo-Afghan War (1839-1842); Annexation of Sindh (1842-43); First Anglo-Panjab War (1845-46); Administration of Lord Dalhousie (1848-56); Doctrine of Lapse; Second Anglo-Sikh War (1848-49); Second Anglo Burmese War (1852); Annexation of Awadh; Estimate of Dalhousie's Imperial Policy; Charter act of 1853

Unit IV

Economic Policies of East India Company, Impact on India's Development; Social Policies; Development of British pattern of Education; Beginning of Indian Renaissance, Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Brahma Samaj, His Importance

Unit V

Revolt of 1857: Background, Causes, Nature, Consequences

Recommended Books:

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S.C. Sarkar: The Bengal Renasissance (In Hindi: Bengal ka Navjagaran)

BSH- 323

History of India (1909 A.D. to 1947 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Overview of India in First Quarter of Twentieth Century; Emergence of Revolutionary Activities outside India with special reference to Ghadar Party; Home Rule League and Home Rule Movement

Unit II

Advent of Gandhi: Champaran, Kheda and Ahmedabad; Critical Analysis of Lucknow Pact; Jallianwala Bagh and its Impact on National Politics; 1919 Act or Montague-Chelmsford Reforms: Provisions and Critical Analysis

Unit III

Non-Cooperation and Khilafat Movement; Emergence of Swaraj Party; Formation of Hindu Mahasabha: Objectives and their Analysis; Simon Commission: Agenda and its Analysis; Nehru Report; Jinnah's Fourteen Points

Unit IV

Critical Appraisal of 1929 Lahore Session and 1931 Karachi Session of Congress; Civil Disobedience Movement; Overview of Main Features of Round Table Conferences

Unit V

Formation of Kissan Sabhas; Emergence of Congress Socialist Party; Formation of Communist Party; Overview of Labour Movement in India

Unit VI

Government of India Act of 1935; Formation of Provincial Congress Ministries; Quit India Movement; Main Features of Cripps Mission; Wavell Plan; Cabinet Mission Plan; Results of 1946 Election and Politics of Partition

Recommended Books:

- Sekhar Bandyopadhyaya: From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India. Delhi: Orient Longman, 2004 [Also available in Hindi]
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BSH- 324

History of Europe (Late 19th Century to Middle of the 20th Century)

3 credits

Unit I

Europe between 1871-1914; Rise of Germany and Bismarckian Diplomacy

Unit II

The Eastern Question: From Treaty of Paris (1856) to outbreak of First World War

Unit III

Causes and Consequences of First World war; Peace treaties & Settlements

Political Condition of Russia in Beginning of 20th Century: Revolution of 1905, Russian Revolution of 1917; New Economic Policy

Unit IV

Weimar Republic, Rise of Hitler; Fascism in Italy; Spanish Civil War

Unit V

Great Depression and its Impact on Europe on the eve of Second World War

Recommended Books:

David Thompson: World History: 1914-1968. Oxford, 1969

Charles Downer Hazen: Modern Europe Since 1789. S. Chand Ltd., New Delhi, 1995

E.H. Carr: Twenty Years Crisis. London, 1958

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Erich Branderburg: From Bismarck to the World War. S. Chand, New Delhi

BSH- 325

History of West Asia (Beginning of the Twentieth Century to 1967 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Rise of the Arab Nationalism: Causes and Result; Mandate System in West Asia after First World War, Iraq , Syria and Lebanon

Unit II

Palestinian Problem, History and Development; Arab and Israel conflicts upto 1967; Formation of Kingdom of Saudi-Arab, Reign of Ibn-Saud Abdul Aziz II

Unit III

Iran and Western Powers; Shah Raza Khan: Reforms and Achievements; Foreign Policy of Iran in First Half of 20th Century

Unit IV

Economic Development: Agriculture and Industries; Oil policy: Salient features

Unit V

Social Change in West Asia, Impact of Westernization and Modernization

Recommended Books:

Alberts H Houran: Syria and Lebanon
Stephen H Longrigg: Iraq (1900-1950)
William Yale: The Near East
P Sykes: History of Persia vol. II
Charles Issawi: Economic History of Middle East
George Antonius: The Arab Awakening
Hans Kohn: A History of Nationalism in the East
George Lenczowski: The Middle East in the World Affairs
Terald Kurland: Arab Israeli Conflict
W. Lacqueur: A History of Zionism
D. Wilbur: Iran: Past and Present

BSH- 326

History of Modern Japan (1850 A.D. to 1952 A.D.)

3 credits

Unit I

Opening of Japan to the World & End of Shogunate System:

Introduction: Land, Politics & Culture; Japan in Early Nineteenth Century; Western Powers and Unequal Treaty System; Crumbling of Tokugawa and Meiji Restoration

Unit II

Building of Modern State:

Programme of Modernization: Political Unification, Economic Measures, Army and Navy, Education, Transformation of Society
Movements for Freedom and People's Rights
Meiji Constitution

Unit III

Imperial Japan: Expansion and Industrialization:

War with China; War with Russia; Annexation of Korea
Twenty One Demands; Washington Conference
The Second Phase of Modernization

Unit IV

Democratic Decade of 1920s:

Emergence of Party Cabinets
Ideological Challenges

Unit V

From Ascendance to Ashes & Reconstruction:

Rise of Nationalism and Militarism
War with China (1937); Pacific War
Allied Occupation: Reforms & Reconstruction

Recommended Books:

W.G. Beasley: The Modern History of Japan. Praeger University Press, 1963
John Dower: Origins of the Modern Japanese State: Selected Writings of
E. H. Norman. Pantheon Books, 1975
John K. Fairbank et al: East Asia: The Modern Transformation. Houghton-Mifflin,
Boston, 1973
Andrew Gordon: A Modern History of Japan: From Tokugawa Times to the Present.
OUP, 2003
John W. Hall: Japan: From Prehistory to Modern Times. Dell Books, NY, 1970
Mikiso Hane: Modern Japan: A Historical Survey. Westview Press, 1992
Marius B. Jansen: The Making of Modern Japan. Harvard University Press, 2000
James L. McClain: Japan: A Modern History (College Edition) . W.W.Norton & Co., 2002
E.O.Reischauer: Japan: The Story of a Nation. McGraw-Hill, 1989 (4th Ed.)

BSH 327 (4 Credits)

Contemporary India

Unit 1

The Dawn of Independence:

The Colonial Legacy
The Aftermath of Partition; Resettlement of Refugees and Issue with Pakistan
Integration of the Indian States; Hyderabad, Junagarh and Kashmir
Main features of the Indian Constitution

Unit 2

National Consolidation:

Evolution of Parliamentary Democracy
Adoption of Planning and the concept of the Mixed Economy
Linguistic Reorganisation of States
Tribal Policy, with special reference to the North-East and Eastern and Central India

Unit 3

The Political Economy of Development:

Agrarian Policy: abolition of Zamindari
Industrial Policy; Emergence of Public Sector Enterprises
Green Revolution; New Economic Policy from 1991
Challenges of Education Policy and the issue of Literacy; Kothari Commission; National Education
Policy- 1986; Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

Unit 4

Political and Social Movements:

J. P. Movement; the Emergence and the Janata Experiment

Agrarian Struggle and the question of Peasant rights

Struggles for Women's Empowerment: The Hindu Code Bill; the Shah Bano and Roop Kanwar Cases; Legislation

Issue of Identity Politics: Communalism; Regional and Caste Consciousness; Dalit Politics

Unit 5

India and the World:

Independent India's Foreign Policy- the Nehru Period (1947-1964)

Foreign Policy- Challenges and Responses in the Post-Nehru Period (1964-1990)

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