

Detailed Syllabus
Core Courses-14
B.A (Hons), History

PAPER I

Semester-I

Course Code: HISHC101

Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA- I

Nature of Course: Core

Total Marks Assigned: 100 (End marks 80; In marks 20)

Course Objective:

The objective of this course is to analyze the various source materials for the reconstruction of Ancient Indian History and the approaches of historical reconstruction. The students will be acquainted the various ancient cultures, the technological, economic, political and religious development of the period concerned.

I. Reconstructing Ancient Indian History

- [a] Archaeological Sources: Numismatic and Epigraphic
- [b] Multiple Literary Sources
- [c] Approaches and interpretations (Colonial, Nationalist and Marxist)

II. Pre-historic Hunter-Gatherers

- [a] Paleolithic cultures- sequence and distribution; stone industries and other technological developments.
- [b] Mesolithic cultures- regional and chronological distribution
- [c] Developments in technology and economy; rock art.

III. The advent of food production

- [a] Understanding the regional and chronological distribution of the Neolithic Culture
- [b] Chalcolithic cultures
- [c] Subsistence and patterns of exchange

IV. The Harappan civilization

- [a] Origins; settlement patterns and town planning; agrarian base; craft productions and trade
- [b] Social and political organization; religious beliefs and practices; art
- [c] Problem of urban decline and the late/post-Harappan traditions.

V. Cultures in transition

Settlement patterns, technological and economic developments; social stratification; political relations; religion and philosophy; the Aryan Problem.

- [a] North India (circa 1500 BCE-300 BCE)
- [b] Central India and the Deccan (circa 1000 BCE - circa 300 BCE)

[c] Tamilakam (circa 300 BCE to circa CE 300)

ESSENTIAL READINGS

- R.S. Sharma, *India's Ancient Past*, New Delhi, OUP, 2007
R. S. Sharma, *Material Culture and Social Formations in Ancient India*, 1983
R.S. Sharma, *Looking for the Aryas*, Delhi, Orient Longman Publishers, 1995
D. P. Agrawal, *The Archaeology of India*, 1985
Bridget & F. Raymond Allchin, *The Rise of Civilization in India and Pakistan*, 1983.
A. L. Basham, *The Wonder that Was India*, 1971.
D. K. Chakrabarti, *The Archaeology of Ancient Indian Cities*, 1997, Paperback.
D. K. Chakrabarti, *The Oxford Companion to Indian Archaeology*, New Delhi, 2006.
H. C. Raychaudhuri, ed. *Political History of Ancient India*, Rev.
K. A. N. Sastri, ed., *History of South India*, OUP, 1966.
Upinder Singh, *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India*, 2008.
Romila Thapar, *Early India from the Beginnings to 1300*, Penguin, 2002
Irfan Habib, *A People's History of India -Vol. -1, Prehistory*
R.Chakrabarti, *Exploring Early India*, Macmillan, 2013

Suggested Readings

- Uma Chakravarti, *The Social Dimensions of Early Buddhism*. 1997.
Rajan Gurukkal, *Social Formations of Early South India*, 2010.
R. Champakalakshmi, *Trade. Ideology and urbanization: South India 300 BC- AD 1300*, 1996.

PAPER III

Semester-II

Course Code: HISHC103

Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA II

Nature of Course: Core

Total Marks Assigned: 100 (End marks 80; In marks 20)

Course Objective:

- (i) The objective of this course is to acquaints the students with agrarian economy, the growth of urban centres in northern and central India and the Deccan as well as craft production, trade routes and coinage
- (ii) Process of state formation and the Mauryan and post-Mauryan polities with special reference to the Kushnas, Satavahanas and Gana-Sanghas.
- (iii) Land grants, land rights and peasantry, urban decline and religious traditions of early India

I. Economy and Society (circa 300 BCE to circa CE 300):

[a] Expansion of agrarian economy: production relations.

[b] Urban growth: north India, central India and the Deccan; craft Production: trade and trade routes; coinage.

[c] Social stratification: class, *Varna*, *jati*, untouchability; gender; marriage and property relations

II. Changing political formations (circa 300 BCE to circa CE 300):

[a] The Mauryan Empire

[b] Post-Mauryan Polities with special reference to the Kushanas

[c] The Satavahanas; Gana-Sanghas.

III. Towards early medieval India [circa CE fourth century to CE 750]:

[a] Agrarian expansion: land grants, changing production relations; graded Land rights and peasantry.

[b] The problem of urban decline: patterns of trade, currency, and urban Settlements.

[c] *Varna*, proliferation of *jatis*: changing norms of marriage and property.

[d] The nature of polities: the Gupta empire and its contemporaries: post- Gupta polities - Pallavas, Chalukyas, and Vardhanas

IV. Religion, philosophy and society (circa 300 BCE- CE 750):

(a) Consolidation of the brahmanical tradition: *dharma*, *Varnashram*, *Purusharthas*, *samskaras*.

(b) Theistic cults (from circa second century BC): *Mahayana*; the *Puranic* tradition.

(c) The beginnings of *Tantricism*

V. Cultural developments (circa 300 BCE û CE 750):

- [a] A brief survey of Sanskrit, Pali, Prakrit and Tamil literature. Scientific and technical treatises
[b] Art and architecture & forms and patronage- Mauryan, post-Mauryan
[c] Art and architecture & forms and patronage-The Gupta, post-Gupta

ESSENTIAL READINGS

- B.D. Chattopadhyaya, *The Making of Early Medieval India*, 1994.
D. P. Chattopadhyaya, *History of Science and Technology in Ancient India*
D. D. Kosambi, *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History*,
S. K. Maity, *Economic Life in Northern India in the Gupta Period*,
B. P. Sahu (ed), *Land System and Rural Society in Early India*,
K. A. N. Sastri, *A History of South India*.
R. S. Sharma, *Indian Feudalism*, 1980.
R.S.Sharma, *Urban Decay in India, c.300-1000*
Romila Thapar, *Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*, 1997.
Susan Huntington, *The Art of Ancient India: Buddhist, Hindu, and Jain*
R.Chakrabarti, *Exploring Early India*, Macmillan, 2013

SUGGESTED READINGS

- N. N. Bhattacharya, *Ancient Indian Rituals and Their Social Contents*
J. C. Harle, *The Art and Architecture of the Indian Subcontinent*
P. L. Gupta, *Coins*.
Kesavan Veluthat, *The Early Medieval in South India*.
Romila Thapar, *Early India: From the Origins to 1300*.

Generic Elective (Interdisciplinary Any Four)

PAPER I

Semester-I

COURSE CODE: HISGE 1

COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF ASSAM: 1228 –1826

Objective:

The objective of this paper is to give a general outline of the history of Assam from the 13th century to the occupation of Assam by the English East India Company in the first quarter of the 19th century. It aims to acquaint the students with major stages of developments in the political, social and cultural history of the state during the most important formative period.

Unit-1:

- 1.01 : Sources- Archaeological, Epigraphic, Literary, Numismatic and Accounts of the Foreign Travelers
- 1.02 : Political conditions of the Brahmaputra Valley at the time of the advent of the Ahoms
- 1.03 : Sukapha and his foundation of the kingdom-An assessment
- 1.04 : State formation in the Brahmaputra Valley-the Chutiya, Kachari and the Koch State

Unit-II

- 2.01 : Expansion of the Ahom Kingdom in the 16th century- Conquests of the Neighbouring States and Territories
- 2.02 : Political Developments in the 17th century- Reign of Pratap Singha
- 2.03 : Administrative Developments

Unit –III

- 3.01 : The Ahom-Mughal Relations in the Second half of the 17th Century Wars – Mir Jumla's Assam Invasion
- 3.02 : The Battle of Saraighat and its Consequences

3.03 : Post-Saraighat Assam- the Court Crisis and Political Developments- Ascendancy of the Tungkhungia Dynasty

Unit: IV

4.01 : Ahom Rule at its Zenith- the Reign of Rudra Singha to Rajeswer Singha

4.02 : Decline and fall of the Ahom Kingdom – the Moamariya Rebellion and

4.03 : The Burmese Invasions- The English East India Company and Assam- the Treaty of Yandaboo.

Unit :V

5.01 : Ahom System of Administration: the State and the Paik system

5.02 : Ahom Policy towards the Neighbouring Hill Tribes

5.03 : Society in Assam under the Ahoms- Caste and Class Structures

5.04 : Religious life --Sankaradeva and the Neo Vaishnavite Movement- Background and Implication

Suggested Readings:

Barpujari, H.K. : *Assam in the Days of the Company*

Baruah,S.L. : *A Comprehensive History of Assam*

Boruah, Nirode and Surajit Baruah : *Asomar Itihas*

Dutta, A.K. : *Maniram Dewan and the Contemporary Assamese Society*

Gait E.A. : *A History of Assam*

Nath. D : *Asam Buranji*

PAPER II

Semester-II

COURSE CODE: HISGE 2

COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF INDIA FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES TO 1526

Objective:

The objective of this paper is to acquaint the students with the general outline of the history of India from the known earliest times to the coming of the Mughals to India in the first quarter of the 16th century. It is aimed at giving them a comprehensive idea of the developments in all spheres of life during this period.

Unit I:

1.01: Sources –a Survey

1.02: Harappan Civilization –Origin and Extent, Morphology of the Major sites, Salient features, End of the civilization.

1.03: Vedic Civilization Society, Economy, Polity and Culture of the Rig-Vedic and the later-Vedic Periods

Unit II:

2.01: Rise of the Territorial States –the *Mahajanapadas*, Geographical Extent,

2.02: Ascendancy of Magadha-Alexander's Invasion of India.

2.03: Rise of the Mauryan Empire under Asoka -His Inscriptions –the Dhamma – External Relations

2.04: Mauryan System of Administration; Decline of the Mauryan Empire

Unit III:

3.01: Political Developments in the Post-Mauryan period - the Sungas, Kanvas, Kushanas and Satavahanas- Society, Economy and Culture

3.02: The Tamils and Sangam Age.

3.03: The Sakas and the Indo-Greeks in India- their Contributions

3.04: India in the Gupta and the Post-Gupta period- Polity, Society, Economy and Culture

Unit IV:

4.01: Political development in the South –the Pallavas, the Imperial Cholas, the Rashtrakutas and the Chalukyas

4.02: The Arabs and the Turks in Indian politics –Ghaznavids and the Ghorid Invasions

4.03: Indian Society during 650 –1200 A.D.-Literature and Language, Temple Architecture and Sculpture

Unit: V

5.01: The Delhi Sultanate- (a) the Slave dynasty (b) the Khalijis- Alauddin Khaliji's Administration (c) the Tughlaqs –Experiments of Muhammad Bin Tughlaq.

5.02: Disintegration of the Delhi Sultanate and Rise of Provincial Kingdoms- Vijayanagar and Bahmani kingdom

5.03: Polity, Society, Economy, Religion and Culture of the Sultanate Period, Bhakti Movement and Sufism

Suggested Readings:

- Barua, P.K : *Bharat Bhuranji*
- Begum, Senehi : *Bharat Buranji, (Dillir Sultan Sakal)*
- Banerjee, A.C. : *History of India*
- Chandra, Satish : *Medieval India*
- Majumdar, Dutta & Raychoudhury : *Advanced History of India*
- Nath, D. : *Bharatar Rajnoitik Aru Sanskritik Buranji.*
- Sinha & Ray : *History of India*
- Spear Percival : *History of India*
- Singh, Upindar : *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India*
- Thapar, Romila : *Ancient India*

**Structure of B.A. Non-Honours Programme in History under CBCS Course
Dibrugarh University**

CORE COURSE (DSC)

COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE
HISGC 101	History of Ancient India
HISGC 201	History of Medieval India
HISGC 301	History of Modern India
HISGC 401	Early and Medieval Assam

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (DSE- Any Two)

COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE
HISGDSE 1	Rise of Modern West
HISGDSE 2.1	History of Europe (1815-1945)
HISGDSE 2.2	Polity, Society and Economy of Modern Assam (1826-1947)

GENERIC ELECTIVE (GE)

COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE
HISGE 5	Women in Indian History
HISGE 6	Environmental History

Core Courses-Discipline Specific Course (DSC) – 4

Paper I

Semester-I

COURSE CODE: HISGC101

COURSE TITLE: History of Ancient India

OBJECTIVE:

The paper intends to acquaint the students with the emergence of state system in north India, the development of imperial state structure, the state formation in the Deccan and in South India in the early period. The paper will apprise the students with the changes and transformations in polity, economy and society in the early period and the cultural interactions of early India with the Southeast Asian Countries.

Unit I:

1.01 : Indus Civilization – origin, extent, urban planning and urban decline

1.02 : Society, polity, economy and religion in the Rig Vedic Period

1.03 : Society, polity, economy and religion in the Later Vedic Period

Unit II:

2.01 : Rise of territorial states– Janapadas and Mahajanapadas

2.02 : Rise of new religious movements in north India- Jainism and Buddhism – social dimension of early Jainism and Buddhism

2.03 : Development of Buddhism and Jainism

Unit III :

3.01 : The Mauryas - Background of Mauryan State Formation

3.02 : Asoka ; Dhamma- its propagation; Administration and Economy under the Mauryas

3.03 : Decline of the Mauryas

3.04 : Post–Mauryan period-The Sungas and Chedis

Unit IV:

4.01 : Central Asian contact and its Impact: The Indo-Greeks, Sakas and Kushanas

4.02 : The Gupta Empire- State and Administration; Gupta Economy -agrarian and Revenue system

4.03 : North India: Vardhanas, The Gurjaras, Pratiharas and Palas

4.04 : Feudal Economy and Society in the Post Gupta Period

Unit: V

5.01 : Sangam Age- Literature, Society and Culture in South India.

5.02 : State Formation in Deccan and South India – Satavahanas and Early States in South India

5.03 : The Pallavas and Chalukyas ,

5.03 : Cholas: Economy, Society and Polity in the Chola Period

Suggested Readings:

Boruah, Nirode, and Surajeet Baruah : *Pracin Bharatar Itihas*

Habib, I : *Pre History (Peoples History of India), Vol. I*

———, : *The Indus Civilization, People’s History of India Vol.II*

Habib & Thakur : *The Vedic Age (Peoples History of India), Vol. III,*

Habib and Jha : *Mauryan India (Peoples History of India), Vol. IV,*

Jha, D.N. : *Ancient India*

———, : *Early India*

Majumdar, R.C. : *Ancient India*

Majumdar, Raychoudary & Dutta : *An Advanced History of India*

Nath, D : *Bharatar Rajnaitik Aru Sanskritik Buranji*

Romila Thapar : *A History of India, Vol. I*

Sharma ,R. S : *Perspectives in Social & Economic History of Early India*

Sing, Upinder : *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India*

Paper II

Semester-II

COURSE CODE: HISGC201

COURSE TITLE: History of Medieval India

Objective:

The Objective of the Paper is to acquaint the pupils with political development in India between 1200-1750. It requires the pupils to understand the States in Medieval Times, Administrative apparatus and society, economy and culture of India in Pre-Modern Period.

Unit I :

1.01 : Foundation and Consolidation of the Sultanate; Iltutmish, Sultana Razia , Balban and the Mongol Invasions

1.02 : Expansion of Sultanate:Khalijis –Alauddin Khalji ; Conquests, Administration and Economic Policies

1.03 : Tughlaqs- Muhammad bin Tughlaq and Firoz Shah Tughlaq

Unit II:

2.01 : Decline of the Sultanate and Rise of Provincial Kingdoms: Timur’s invasion, Vijaynagar and Bahmani Kingdom

2.02 : State and Administration - Political and Revenue Administration

2.03 : Aspects of society and economy during the Sultanate Period-Agriculture, Trade and Commerce

Unit III:

3.01 : Foundation of the Mughal Empire: Mughal-Afghan Contest

3.02 : Consolidation and territorial Expansion of the Mughal Empire

3.03 : Mughal-Rajput Relations.

3.04 : Religious Policy of the Mughals

Unit IV:

4.01 : Rise of The Marathas under Shivaji- His Administration

4.02 : Disintegration of the Mughal Empire

4.03 : Mughal Administration and Institutions: Administrative Structure, Land Revenue System, *Mansabdari* and *Jagirdari* System

4.04 : Aspects of society and economy during the Mughal period- Agriculture, Trade and Commerce

Unit V:

5.01 : Bhakti Movement : Nanak, Kabir, Dadu, Chaitanya and Mirabai

5.02 : Sufism : Different *Silsilahs*

5.03 : Art and Architecture in the Sultanate and Mughal Period.

Suggested Readings

- Asraf, K.M : *Life and Conditions of the People of Hindusthan*
- Barua, P.K. and T. A. Hussain : *Bharat Buranji*
- Chandra Satis : *Medieval India from Sultanat to the Mughals*, Vols. I, II
- Chitnis K.N. : *Socio Economic History of Medieval India*
- Habib, Irfan : *Agrarian System of Mughal Empire*
- Habib, M & Nizami : *Comprehensive History of India*, Vol.V
- Mehta, J.L. : *Advanced Study in History of Medieval India*, Vol. I & II
- Majumdar, R.C. (ed) : *The History and Culture of the Indian People*, Vols. VI
- Nizami, K.A. : *Studies in Medieval Indian History and Culture*
- Rashid, A : *Society and Culture in medieval India*
- Rizvi,S.A.A. : *The Wonder that was India*, Part-II
- Tripathy, R. P. : *Rise and fall of the Mughal Empire*

PAPER VII

Course Code: HISHC107

PAPER VII: HISTORY OF INDIA IV (c.1206 - 1550)

I. Interpreting the Delhi Sultanate: Survey of sources:

(a) Persian *tarikh* tradition (Hasan Nizami's Taj-ul maasir, Minhaj-i Siraj Juzjani's Tabqat-i Nasiri, Ziauddin Barani's Tarikh-i Feroz shahi and Fatwa-i Jahandari)

(b) Vernacular histories: *Virgatha* tradition and *Premakhyans* (Chand Bardai's *Prthviraj Raso*, Malik Muhammad Jayasi's *Padmavat*)

(c) Epigraphy and numismatic

II. Sultanate Political Structures:

(a) Foundation, expansion and consolidation of the Sultanate of Delhi: The Khaljis and the Tughluqs; Mongol threat and Timur's invasion;

(c) The Lodis: Conquest of Bahlul and Sikandar; Ibrahim Lodi and the battle of Panipat

(b) Theories of kingship: Ruling elites; Sufis, ulema and the political authority; imperial monuments and coinage

III. Emergence of provincial Dynasties:

(a) Vijaynagar and Bahmani

(b) Bengal

(c) Consolidation of regional identities through art, architecture and literature

IV. Society and Economy:

(a) Agricultural production; technology, *Iqta* and the revenue-free grants

(b) Nature of rural society: village community and rural gentry

(c) Trade and commerce: Monetization; market regulations; growth of urban centers; Inland and maritime trade

V. Religion, Society and Culture:

(a) Sufis and Sufism: doctrines and practices; Silsilas: Chishtis and Suhrawardis; social roles

(b) Bhakti movements and monotheistic traditions in South and North India; Nathpanthis, Kabir, Nanak and the Sant tradition, Women Bhaktas (Meera, Lal Ded) ,

(c) Sufi literature; Bhakti movements and Vernacular literature

ESSENTIAL READINGS

Mohammad Habib and K.A. Nizami, eds, Comprehensive History of India, Vol. V,

The Delhi Sultanate. Satish Chandra, Medieval India I.

Peter Jackson, The Delhi Sultanate.

Catherine Asher and Cynthia Talbot, India Before Europe.

Tapan Raychaudhuri and Irfan Habib, eds, Cambridge Economic History of India, Vol. I.

K.A. Nizami, Religion and Politics in the Thirteenth Century.

W.H. McLeod, Karine Schomer, et al, Eds, The Sants.

S.A.A. Rizvi, A History of Sufism in India, Vol. I.

Mohibul Hasan, Historians of Medieval India.

SUGGESTED READINGS

Cynthia Talbot, Pre-colonial India in Practice.

Simon Digby, War Horses and Elephants in the Delhi Sultanate.

I.H. Siddiqui, Afghan Despotism.

Burton Stein, New Cambridge History of India: Vijayanagara.

Richard M. Eaton, ed., India's Islamic Traditions.

-----, India in the Persianate Age 1000_1765

Vijaya Ramaswamy, Walking Naked: Women, Society, and Spirituality in South India.

Sheldon Pollock, Languages of the Gods in the World of Men.

Pushpa Prasad, Sanskrit Inscriptions of the Delhi Sultanate.

Andre Wink, Al-Hind, Vols. I-III.

Course Code: HISHC109

PAPER IX: HISTORY OF INDIA V (c. 1550 - 1605)

I. Sources and Historiography:

(a) Persian Sources (*Tuzuk-i Babari, Humayunnama, Akbarnama and Ain-i Akbari, Munthakhab-ul Tawarikh*)

(b) Vernacular literary traditions (*bakhar, buranji*)

(c) Modern Interpretations

II. Establishment of Mughal rule:

(a) India on the eve of Babur's invasion and establishment of the Mughal rule under Babur; Military technology and warfare (use of firearms)

(b) Humayun's struggle for empire

(c) Sher Shah, his administrative and revenue reforms

III. Consolidation of Mughal rule under Akbar:

(a) Campaigns and conquests: Mughal- Rajput diplomacy, annexations in North-West frontier, Conquest of Bengal

(b) Evolution of administrative institutions and apparatus: *zabt, mansab, jagir, madad-i-maash*

(c) Revolts and resistance

IV. Society and Economy:

(a) Land rights and revenue system; Zamindars and peasants; rural tensions

(b) Extension of agriculture; agricultural production; crop patterns

(c) Trade routes and patterns of internal commerce; overseas trade

V. Political and religious ideals:

(a) Religion and the State: theory and practice (Divine theory of Kingship)

(b) Religious tolerance and *sulh-i-kul; Din-i Ilahi*

(c) Sufi mystical and intellectual interventions and pressure from the *ulema*

PAPER X: HISTORY OF INDIA VI (c. 1605 - 1750s)

I. Sources:

- (a) Persian Sources: (Tuzuk-i Jahangiri, Padshahnama, Maasir-i Alamgiri)
- (b) Vernacular sources: *bhakhari*, *buranji*, Banarasidas's *Ardhakathanaka*
- (c) Travelogues : Francois Bernier, Nicolo Manucci, Tavernier, Thomas Roe)

II. Political Culture under Jahangir and Shah Jahan:

- (a) Consolidation and expansion of Empire
- (b) Extension of Mughal rule: changes in *mansab* and *jagir* systems
- (c) Orthodoxy and syncretism - Naqshbandi Sufis, Miyan Mir, Dara Shukoh, Sarmad

III. Mughal Empire under Aurangzeb and after:

- (a) State and religion under Aurangzeb: the war of succession; policies regarding Religious groups and nobility.
- (b) Emergence of successor states: Awadh, Bengal, Emergence of the Marathas- Shivaji and expansion under the Peshwas
- (c) Interpreting eighteenth century India: recent debates

IV. Visual Culture:

- (a) Paintings : Mughal Miniatures and Regional style of painting: Pahari, Rajput, *pattachitra*
- (b) Architecture: Mughal Imperial style
- (c) Regional style (Bengal and Awadh)

V. Trade and Commerce:

- (a) Crafts and technologies; Monetary system
- (b) Markets; urban centres
- (c) Inland trade and maritime trade, trading communities
- (d) Beginning of the European Settlements in India—the Portuguese —the Dutch —the French and the English.

ESSENTIAL READINGS

- Richard M. Eaton, India in the Persianate Age 1000_1765
Salma Ahmed Farooqui, A Comprehensive History of Medieval India
M. Athar Ali, The Mughal Nobility under Aurangzeb.
Muzaffar Alam and Sanjay Subramanian, eds, The Mughal State, 1526 - 1750.
J.F. Richards, The Mughal Empire.
Satish Chandra, Essays on Medieval Indian History.
-----, Medieval India, Vol 2

Irfan Habib, Agrarian System of Mughal India, 1526 û 1707.

Ashin Dasgupta, Indian Merchants and the Decline of Surat, 1700 - 1750.

Stewart Gordon, The Marathas 1600 - 1818.

Ebba Koch, Mughal Art and Imperial Ideology.

S.A.A. Rizvi, Muslim Revivalist Movements in Northern India.

K. R. Qanungo, Dara Shikoh.

SUGGESTED READINGS

S. Nurul Hasan, Religion, State, and Society in Medieval India.

S. Arsatnam, Maritime India in the Seventeenth Century.

Muzaffar Alam, The Crisis of Empire in Mughal North India.

Catherine Asher, Architecture of Mughal India.

Milo Beach, Mughal and Rajput Paintings.

Satish Chandra, Parties and Politics at the Mughal Court.

Andre Wink, Land and Sovereignty in India.

Harbans Mukhia, The Mughals of India.

J.F. Richards, Mughal Administration in Golconda.

Z.U. Malik, The Reign of Muhammad Shah.

Iqbal Husain, Ruhela Cheiftancies in 18th Century India.

PAPER III

COURSE CODE: HISGE 3

COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF INDIA: 1526 - 1947

Unit I:

- 1.01 : Political Conditions in Northern India in the beginning of the 16th century- The Afghan Empire and the Mughals- Resistance vs. Struggle for Hegemony.
- 1.02 : The Age of the Mughals- Foundation of the Mughal Empire- Humayun and His struggle- Conflict with Sher Shah
- 1.03 : Akbar to Aurangzeb- Political Supremacy and Administrative Developments

Unit II:

- 2.01 : The later Mughals and the Decline of the Mughal Empire
- 2.02 : Rise of the Marathas in the Deccan- Sivaji and His career
- 2.03 : Society, Economy, Religion and Culture under the Mughals
- 2.04 : Beginning of the European Settlements in India—the Portuguese –the Dutch –the French and the English.

Unit III:

- 3.01 : British Conquests of India –British occupation of Bengal, Anglo-French rivalry-the Battle of Plassey and its effects
- 3.02 : Expansion and consolidation of the British rule in India up to 1857-Conflict with the Marathas, Mysore, Awadh, Punjab and Sindh.
- 3.03 : Administrative Developments and Socio-Economic Reform up to 1857

Unit IV:

- 4.01 : Revolt of 1857 and its Aftermath, Post 1857 Administrative Developments till 1919
- 4.02 : Socio-religious reform movements in the post 1857 period

4.03 : Growth of the Press, Rise of National Consciousness; Formation of Indian National Congress

4.04 : Freedom Struggle up to 1919 –Partition of Bengal and the Swadeshi Movement, Home Rule League, Rise of Muslim Politics

Unit V:

5.01 : Freedom Struggle from 1919 to 1939 - Gandhi in Indian Politics–Khilafat and Non-Cooperation Movement -Civil Disobedience Movement

5.02 : Government of India Act, 1935; Ambedkar and Anti Untouchability Movements

5.03 : Rise of Communalism, Revolutionary Extremism, Trade Union and Labour Movements, Leftist Politics.

5.04 : Cripps Mission –Quit India Movement-Second World War-INA

5.05 : Post-War Development –Cabinet Mission and Transfer of Power

Suggested Readings:

- Bandyopadhyaya, Sekhar : *From Plassey to Partition A History of Modern India*
- Chandra, B, Mukherjee, M and et, al : *India's Struggle for Independence*
- Chandra, B : *The Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India.*
- Desai, A. R : *Social Background of Indian Nationalism*
- Fisher, Micheal : *The Politics of the British Annexation of India, 1757 – 1857,*
- Gopal, S : *The British Policy in India, 1858-1905*
- Grewal, J. S : *The Sikhs of the Punjab*
- Grover B.L & Grover, S : *A New Look at Modern Indian History*
- Jones, K.W : *Socio-Religious Reform Movements in British India*

Course Code: HISGE 4.1

Course Title: HISTORY OF MODERN ASSAM: 1826 –1947

Unit I:

1.01 : Political Condition in Assam on the Eve of the British rule.

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3.04 : Assamese periodicals and Emergence of Linguistic Consciousness

Unit :IV

4.01 : Government of India Act, 1919 – Dyarchy on Trial in Assam.

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- Guha, Amalendu : *Planters Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam*.
- Lahiri, R.M : *Annexation of Assam*

PAPER IV

COURSE CODE: HISGE 4.2

COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF EUROPE: 1453-1815

Unit I:

- 1.01 : Renaissance- meaning -background-impacts
- 1.02 : Reformation- origin, courses and consequences; Counter Reformation
- 1.03 : The Thirty Years War- causes and consequences

Unit II:

- 2.01 : Colonial Expansion in the 15th –16th centuries – Causes, Extent and Implication
- 2.02 : Commercial Revolution in Europe
- 2.03 : Absolute monarchy in Europe- Spain, France, England and Russia
- 2.04 : The Glorious Revolution –Background and results

Unit III:

- 3.01 : The Scientific Revolution in the 16th –17th centuries - extent, nature and results
- 3.02 : Mercantilism and European Economy during 17th and 18th Centuries
- 3.03 : Enlightenment in Europe – its Impact; Enlightened Despotism in Europe – Russia, Prussia and Austria

Unit IV:

- 4.01 : American War of Independence- Political and Economic Issues and Significance
- 4.03 : The Industrial Revolution in Europe- causes and significance
- 4.04 : Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism

Unit: V

- 5.01 : The French Revolution- Causes, Courses and Significance
- 5.02 : Napoleon Bonaparte- internal and external polices- downfall of Napoleon Bonaparte
- 5.03 : The Congress of Vienna and Europe in 1815.

SUGGESTED READINGS

M. S. Anderson, Europe in the Eighteenth Century.
Perry Anderson, The Lineages of the Absolutist State.
Stuart Andrews, Eighteenth Century Europe.
B. H. Slicher von Bath, The Agrarian History of Western Europe. AD. 500 - 1850.
The Cambridge Economic History of Europe. Vol. I - VI.
James B. Collins, The State in Early Modern France, New Approaches to European History.
G. R. Elton, Reformation Europe, 1517-1559.
M. P. Gilmore, The World of Humanism. 1453-1517.
Peter Kriedte, Peasants, Landlords and Merchant Capitalists.
J. Lynch, Spain under the Hapsburgs.
Peter Mathias, First Industrial revolution.
Harry Miskimin, The Economy of Later Renaissance Europe: 1460-1600.
Charles A. Nauert, Humanism and the Culture of the Renaissance (1996).
The New Cambridge Modern History of Europe, Vols. I - VII.
L. W. Owie, Seventeenth Century Europe.
D. H. Pennington, Seventeenth Century Europe.
F. Rice, The Foundations of Early Modern Europe

Paper III

COURSE CODE: HISGC301

COURSE TITLE: History of Modern India

Unit I:

- 1.01 : Decline and the Disintegration of the Mughal Empire and the Growth of Regional Powers
- 1.02 : Eighteenth Century Debate in Indian History
- 1.02 : The Battle of Plassey and the Battle of Buxar - the Establishment of the British Rule in India.
- 1.03 : Robert Clive- Dual Administration in Bengal.

Unit II:

- 2.01 : Expansion and Consolidation of the British Rule under Warren Hastings and Lord Cornwallis
- 2.02 : British relations with the Marathas and Mysore
- 2.03 : Lord Wellesley and the Policy of Subsidiary Alliance
- 2.04 : Lord Hastings and the relations with the Indian States

Unit III:

- 3.01 : Lord Bentinck-His Reforms; Raja Ram Mohan Roy and the Growth of Progressive Ideas in India
- 3.02 : The Growth and expansion of Sikh power under Ranjit Singh
- 3.03 : Lord Dalhousie and his policy of expansion- the Doctrine of Lapse
- 3.04 : The Revolt of 1857- Causes and Consequences, the Government of India Act of 1858

Unit IV:

- 4.01 : The British Economic Policy in India – Land Revenue, Trade, Commercialization of Agriculture, the Drain Theory
- 4.02 : Growth of the Press and Rise of National Consciousness, Socio Religious Reform Movements
- 4.04 : Establishment of the Indian National Congress, Moderate Phase of Indian National Congress
- 4.05 : Lord Curzon and the Partition of Bengal – the Swadeshi Movement in India – Growth of Revolutionary Extremism

Unit V:

- 5.02 : Gandhi in Indian politics- the Khilafat and the Non Co-operation Movement, the Civil Disobedience Movement
- 5.03 : The growth of the Left, Muslim League and Communal politics in India
- 5.04 : Ambedkar and Anti Untouchability Movements, Peasant and Labour Movements
- 5.04 : The Quit India Movement – The INA and Partition of India.

Suggested Readings:

- Bandyopadhyaya, Sekhar : *From Plassey to Partition A History of Modern India*
- Chandra, B, Mukherjee, M and et, al : *India's Struggle for Independence*
- Chandra, B : *The Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India*
- Desai, A. R : *Social Background of Indian Nationalism*

Fisher, Micheal	: <i>The Politics of the British Annexation of India, 1757 – 1857,</i>
Gopal, S	: <i>The British Policy in India, 1858-1905</i>
Grewal, J. S	: <i>The Sikhs of the Punjab</i>
Gordon, Stuart	: <i>The Marathas</i>
Grover B.L & Grover, S	: <i>A New Look at Modern Indian History</i>
Jones, K.W	: <i>Socio-Religious Reform Movements in British India,</i>
Majumdar, R.C	: (ed) <i>British Paramountcy and the Indian Renaissance</i>
Sarkar, Sumit	: <i>Modern India, 1885 – 1947</i>

Paper IV

COURSE CODE: HISGC401

COURSE TITLE: EARLY AND MEDIEVAL ASSAM TILL 1826

Unit 1:

- 1.01 : Sources: Archaeological, Numismatic, Epigraphy, Literary Sources
- 1.02 : State Formation in Early Assam
- 1.03 : Varmana, Salastambha and Pala dynasty

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- 2.01 : Ahom State Formation and its Consolidation
- 2.02 : State Formation in the Brahmaputra Valley-the Chutiya, Kachari, the Koch States and Bara-Bhuyans
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5.04: Bhakti Movement in Assam : Sankardeva, Satra Institutions

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Bhuyan, S.K. : *Anglo-Assamese Relations(1771-1826)*

Devi,L. : *Ahom-Tribal Relations*

Gogoi, L. : *A History of the System of Ahom Administration*

Nath, D. : *History of the Koch Kingdom*

Paper XI

Course Code: HISHC1011

Course Title: History of Modern Europe- I (c. 1780-1919)

I. The French Revolution and its European Repercussions

- [a] Crisis of Ancient Regime
- [b] Intellectual Currents, Social Classes and Emerging Gender Relations.
- [c] Phases of the French Revolution 1789 - 99.
- [d] Art and Culture of French Revolution.
- [f] Napoleonic Consolidation - Reform and Empire.

II. Restoration and Revolution: c. 1815 - 1848

- [a] Forces of Conservatism and Restoration of Old Hierarchies.
- [b] Social, Political and Intellectual Currents.
- [c] Revolutionary and Radical movements, 1830
- [d] Revolutionary and Radical movements, 1848

III Capitalist Industrialization and Social and Economic Transformation: Late 18th century to AD 1914

- [a] Industrial Revolution: Origin and Background
- [b] Process of Capitalist development in Industry and Agriculture: Case Studies of Britain, France, the German States and Russia.
- [c] Evolution and Differentiation of Social classes: Bourgeoisie, Proletariat, Land Owning Classes and Peasantry.
- [d] Changing Trends in Demography and Urban patterns.

IV. Varieties of Nationalism and the Remaking of States in the 19th and 20th Centuries.

- [a] Intellectual currents, popular movements and the formation of National identities in Germany, Italy, Ireland and the Balkans.
- [b] Specificities of Economic Development, Political and Administrative Reorganization - Italy
- [c] Specificities of Economic Development, Political and Administrative Reorganization - Germany

V. World War I :

- [a] Growth of Power Blocks, Militarism and Alliances in Europe in late 19th and early 20th century
- [b] Balkan Wars
- [c] First World War: Background

ESSENTIAL READINGS

Gerald Brennan: *The Spanish Labyrinth: An Account of the Social and Political Background of the Civil War.*

C.M. Cipolla: *Fontana Economic History of Europe, Volume III: The Industrial Revolution.*

Norman Davies: *Europe: A History*

J. Evans: *The Foundations of a Modern State in 19th Century Europe.*

T.S. Hamerow: *Restoration, Revolution and Reaction: Economics and Politics in Germany*

E.J. Hobsbawm: *The Age of Revolution.*

Lynn Hunt: *Politics, Culture and Class in the French Revolution.*

James Joll: *Europe Since 1870.*

David Landes: *Prometheus Unbound.*

George Lefebvre: *Coming of the French Revolution.*

George Lichtheim : *A Short History of Socialism.*

Peter Mathias: *First Industrial Revolution.*

Alec Nove: *An Economic History of the USSR.*

Andrew Porter: *European Imperialism, 1876-1914*

Anthony Wood: *History of Europe, 1815-1960*

Stuart Woolf: *History of Italy, 1700 - 1860.*

SUGGESTED READINGS

G. Barrowclough, *An Introduction to Contemporary History.*

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H. Mukhia Ed. *French Studies in History, Vol. I (1989).*

Maurice Dobb: *Soviet Economic Development Since 1917.*

M. Perrot and G. Duby [eds.]: *A History of Women in the West, Volumes 4 and 5.*

H.J. Hanham; *Nineteenth Century Constitution, 1815 - 1914.*

E.J. Hobsbawm, *Nations and Nationalism.*

Charles and Barbara Jelavich: *Establishment of the Balkan National States, 1840 û 1920.*

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Jaon B. Landes: *Women and the Public Sphere in the Age of the French Revolution.*

David lowenthal, *The Past is a Foreign Country.*

Colin Licas: *The French Revolution and the Making of Modern Political Culture, Volume*

Nicholas Mansergh: *The Irish Question, 1840 û 1921.*

K.O. Morgan: *Oxford Illustrated History of Britain, Volume 3 [1789 -1983].*

R.P. Morgan: *German Social Democracy and the First International.*

N.V. Riasanovsky: *A History of Russia.*

J.M. Robert, *Europe 1880 û 1985.*

J.J. Roth (ed.), *World War I : A Turning Point in Modern History.*

Albert Soboul: *History of the French Revolution (in two volumes).*

Lawrence Stone, *History and the Social Sciences in the Twentieth Century The Past and the Present (1981).*

Dorothy Thompson: *Chartists: Popular Politics in the Industrial Revolution.*

E.P. Thompson: *Making of the English Working Class.*

Michel Vovelle, *fall of the French Monarchy.*

PAPER XII

Course Code: HISHC1012

Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA VII (c. 1750 - 1857)

I. India in the Mid-18th Century:

- [a] Society, Economy, Polity, Debates
- [b] Expansion and Consolidation of Colonial Power:
- [c] Mercantilism, Foreign Trade and Early Forms of Exactions from Bengal.
- [d] Dynamics of Expansion, with special reference to Bengal, Mysore, Western India, Awadh, Punjab, and Sind.

II. Colonial State and Ideology:

- [a] Arms of the Colonial State: Army, Police, Law.
- [b] Ideologies of the Raj and Racial Attitudes.
- [c] Education: Indigenous and Modern.

III. Rural Economy and Society:

- [a] Land Revenue Systems and Forest Policy.
- [b] Commercialization and Indebtedness.
- [c] Rural society: Change and Continuity.
- [d] Famines.

IV. Trade and Industry

- [a] Deindustrialization
- [b] Trade and Fiscal policy
- [c] Drain of Wealth
- [d] Growth of Modern Industry

V. Popular Resistance:

- [a] Santhal Uprising (1857); Indigo Rebellion (1860);
- [b] Pabna Agrarian Leagues (1873); Deccan Riots (1875).
- [c] Revolt of 1857: causes, courses and consequences

ESSENTIAL READINGS

- C. A. Bayly, Indian Society and the Making of the British Empire,
Bipan Chandra, Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India.
Suhash Chakravarty, The Raj Syndrome: A Study in Imperial Perceptions, 1989.
J.S. Grewal, The Sikhs of the Punjab, New Cambridge History of India
Ranajit Guha, ed., A Subaltern Studies Reader.
Dharma Kumar and Tapan Raychaudhuri, eds., The Cambridge Economic History of India.
P.J. Marshall, Bengal: The British Bridgehead, New Cambridge History of India.
R.C. Majumdar, ed., History and Culture of Indian People.
R.C. Majumdar, British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance.

Rajat K. Ray, ed., *Entrepreneurship and Industry in India, 1800-1947*,
Eric Stokes, *English Utilitarians and India*.
Ram Lakhan Shukla, ed., *Adhunik Bharat ka Itihas*.

SUGGESTED READINGS

David Arnold and Ramchandra Guha, eds, *Nature, Culture and Imperialism*.
Amiya Bagchi, *Private Investment in India*.
Bipan Chandra et. al, *India's Struggles for Independence*.
A.R. Desai, *Peasant Struggles in India*.
Ranajit Guha, *Elementary Aspects of Peasant Insurgency in Colonial India* (1983).
P.C. Joshi, *Rebellion 1857: A Symposium*.
Dadabhai Naroji, *Poverty and Un-British Rule in India*.

PAPER XIII

Course Code: HISHC1013

Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA VIII (c. 1857 - 1950)

I. Cultures Changes and Social and Religious Reform Movements:

- [a] The Advent of Printing and its Implications
- [b] Reform and Revival: Brahmo Samaj, Prarthna Samaj, and Ramakrishna and Vivekananda, Arya Samaj,
- [c] Wahabi, Deoband, Aligarh and Singh Sabha Movements.
- [d] Debates around Gender

II. Nationalism: Trends up to 1919:

- [a] Political Ideology and Organizations, Formation of INC
- [b] Moderates and Extremists.
- [c] Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement
- [d] Revolutionary Extremism

III. Gandhian Nationalism after 1919: Ideas and Movements:

- [a] Mahatma Gandhi: His Thoughts and Methods
- [b] Impact of the First World War, Rowlett Act: Satyagraha and Jallianwala Bagh
- [c] Non-Cooperation and Civil Disobedience
- [d] 1935 Act, Provincial Autonomy, Quit India and INA

IV. Nationalism and Social Groups: Interfaces:

- [a] Left Wing Movements, Peasant and Labour movements
- [b] Princely India: States People Movements
- [c] Ambedkar and anti Untouchability Movements
- [d] Women and Freedom Movement
- [e] Business groups

V. Independence and Partition

- [a] Communalism: Ideologies and Practices, RSS, Hindu Maha Sabha, Muslim League.
- [b] Negotiations for Independence, Partition and Partition Riots
- [c] Making of the Constitution
- [d] Integration of Princely States
- [e] Land Reform and Beginnings of Planning

ESSENTIAL READINGS

- Judith Brown, Gandhi's rise to Power, 1915-22.
Paul Brass, The Politics of India Since Independence, OUP, 1990.
Bipan Chandra, Nationalism and Colonialism in Modern India, 1979.
Bipan Chandra, Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India.

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Baruah, S.L. and D. Nath : *Chutiya Jatir Buranji*
Bhuyan, N.C. : *Baro Bhuyanr Chamu Buranji*
Basu, N.K. : *Assam in the Ahom Age (1228-1826)*
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Gohain, U.N.: *Assam under the Ahoms*.
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Sarma, A.C.: *Tai-Ahom System of Government*

Paper: II

Course Code: HISHDSE502

Course Title: HISTORY OF MODERN ASSAM: 1826 –1947

Unit I:

- 1.01 : Political Condition in Assam on the Eve of the British rule.
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Paper III

Course Code: HISHDSE601

Course Title: Social and Economic History of Assam

Unit: I Social and Economic History of Ancient Assam

- 1.01 : Development of Caste System in Ancient Assam, Social Classes and Occupational Groups
- 1.02 : Religious Beliefs and Practices in Ancient Assam : Vaishnavism, Saivism, Shaktism and Buddhism; Art, Sculpture and Architecture of Early Assam
- 1.03 : Land System and Ownership of Land; Land Grant and Agrahara Settlements
- 1.04 : Development of Agriculture, Trade and Medium of Exchange

Unit: II Society in Medieval Assam

- 2.01 : Social Structure in the Brahmaputra Valley – Caste System
- 2.02 : Social Organization –Caste-Class Relationship, Nobility, Paiks, Slaves and Servants
- 2.03 : Neo-Vaishnavite Movement in Assam – Sankardeva and his followers, Development of *Satra* Institutions, Bhakti movement and Development of Assamese literature
- 2.04 : Art and Architecture in Medieval Assam
- 2.04 : Patriarchy, Women and Society in Medieval Assam

Unit: III Economy in Medieval Assam

- 3.01 : Agriculture and Land System – Classification and Ownership of Land
- 3.02 : Land Revenue and other Taxes
- 3.03 : Trade and Commerce – Export and Import, Trade routes and Means of Transport, Medium of Trade – Coinage
- 3.04 : Economic Relation between the Hills and Valleys

Unit: IV Society in Colonial Assam

- 4.01 : Growth of Modern Education and role of the Christian Missionaries
- 4.02 : Language Controversy in 19th century Assam
- 4.03 : Emergence of Middle Class, Issues relating to Women
- 4.04 : Development of Press, Periodicals and Growth of Public Associations –Ahom Sabha, The Assam Sahitya Sabha, Tribal league and other Ethnic organizations, Satras in Colonial Assam

Unit: V Economy in Colonial Assam

- 5.01 : Agriculture; Colonial Land Regulations and Revenue System, Cottage Industry
- 5.02 : Plantation Economy- Waste Land Grants, Growth of Tea Industry
- 5.03 : Development of Modern Industries - Coal and Oil.
- 5.04 : Development of Transport System: Water, Rail and Road

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- Guha, Amalendu : *Planters Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam 1826-1947*.
- Medhi, S. B : *Transport System and Economic Development in Assam*.
- Saikia, Rajen : *Social and Economic History of Assam (1853- 1921)*.
- Sharma, Monorama : *Social and Economic Change in Assam: Middle Class Hegemony*
- Jahnabi Gogoi : *Agrarian System of Medieval Assam*

Paper IV

Course Code: HISHDSE602

Course Title: Historiography

Unit: I Concept and Sources

- 1.01: Concept: Meaning, Scope and Purpose of History, Varieties of History, Causation in History, Objectivity in History
- 1.02: Primary and Secondary Sources, Internal and External Criticism,
- 1.03: History and Allied Subjects: Archeology, Epigraphy and Numismatics
- 1.04: History and Geography, History and Anthropology, History and Sociology, History and Literature

Unit: II Evolution of Historiography

- 2.01: Ancient Greece and Rome -Herodotus and Thucydides, Livy and Tacitus
- 2.02: Chinese Historiography- Summa Chien; Historiography in Arab Countries- Ibn Khaldun
- 2.03: Medieval European Historiography and Christian Chronicles
- 2.04: Renaissance Historiography

Unit: III Renaissance to Enlightenment Historiography:

- 3.01 Scientific Revolution and Impact on History Writing
- 3.03: Enlightenment Historiography
- 3.04 Ranke, Niebuhr and Development of History Writing
- 3.04 Marxism and its impact in History Writing

Unit: IV Historical Traditions in India

- 4.01 : Varieties of Historical Traditions in Early India; Rajatangani
- 4.02: Development of History Writing in Sultanate and Mughal Period
- 4.03: Regional Historical Traditions- Assam, Maharashtra, South India

Unit: V Development of History Writing in India in Modern Period

- 5.01: Sir William Jones and Asiatic Society of Bengal
- 5.02: James Mill and other Colonial Historians
- 5.03: Nationalist Historiography
- 5.04: Marxist and Subaltern Historiography

Suggested Readings

- Bajaj Satish : Recent Trends in Historiography, New Delhi, 1988
- Barnes, H.E. : A History of History Writing, Oklahoma, 1937
- Black Jeremy and Donald M. : Studying History, Macmillan, 1997
- Cannon John (ed) : The Historian at Work, London, 1980
- Carr E.H. : What is History, Latest edition
- Collingwood, R.G : The Idea of History, OUP, latest edition
- Evans J. Richard : In Defense of History, London, 1997

Annexure- A

PAPER-V

Course Code: HISHC105

Course Code: HISTORY OF INDIA III (c. 750 -1206)

I. Studying Early Medieval India:

- (a) Historical Geography
- (b) Sources: Texts, Epigraphic and Numismatic
- (c) Rise of the Rajputs and the nature of the State
- (d) Rashtrakutas, Palas, Pratiharas

II. Political Structures:

- (a) Evolution of political structures; Cholas: state and administration
- (b) Legitimization of kingship; Brahmanas and Temples; Royal Genealogies and Rituals
- (c) Arab conquest of Sindh: nature and impact of the new set-up; Ismaili dawah
- (d) Causes and consequences of early Turkish invasions: Mahmud of Ghazna; Shahab-ud-Din of Ghaur

III. Agrarian Structure and Social Change:

- (a) Agricultural expansion, crops
- (b) Landlords, Peasants and tribes
- (c) Proliferation of Castes; status of Untouchables
- (d) Debates on Indian feudalism

IV. Trade and Commerce:

- (a) Inter-regional Trade
- (b) Maritime Trade
- (c) Forms of Exchange
- (d) Process of Urbanization
- (e) Merchant guilds of South India

V. Religious and Cultural Developments:

- (a) Tantrism, Puranic traditions; Buddhism and Jainism
- (b) Islamic intellectual traditions: Al-Biruni; Al-Hujwiri
- (c) Regional Languages and Literature
- (d) Art and Architecture: Evolution of Regional Styles

ESSENTIAL READINGS

- R.S. Sharma, Indian Feudalism (circa 300 - 1200).
B.D. Chattopadhyaya, The Making of Early Medieval India.
R.S. Sharma and K.M. Shrimali, eds, Comprehensive History of India, Vol. IV (A & B).
Mohammad Habib and K.A. Nizami, eds, Comprehensive History of

Paper III

COURSE CODE: HISGDSE 2.2

COURSE TITLE: Polity, Society and Economy of Modern Assam (1826-1947)

Unit I:

1.01: Political Condition in Assam on the Eve of the British Rule.

1.02: Establishment and Consolidation of the British rule – Reforms and Reorganizations- the role of David Scott, Robertson and Jenkins

1.03: Early phase of Revolts and Resistance to British rule- Gomdhar Konwar, Piyali Phukan, U.Tirut Singh, the Khamti and the Singpho rebellion

Unit II:

2.01: Expansion of the British Rule in Assam

2.02: The 1857 Revolt in Assam and its aftermath

2.03: Establishment of Chief Commissionership in Assam

Unit III:

3.01: Partition of Bengal – Swadeshi and Boycott Movement in Assam, Growth of Revolutionary Terrorism

3.02: Non Co-operation Movement and Swarajist Politics in Assam

3.03: The Civil Disobedience Movement

3.04: Quit India Movement, Cabinet Mission Plan and the Grouping Controversy

Unit IV:

4.01: Decline of Old aristocracy and the Emergence of the Middle Class

4.02: Growth of Modern Education, Role of the Christian Missionaries

4.03: Literary and Cultural Development – Impact of the Bengal Renaissance, Growth of Press

4.04: Growth of National Consciousness – Assam Association, Sarbajanik Sabhas and the Ryot Sabhas

Unit V:

5.01: Agriculture, Land Revenue and Miscellaneous Revenues

5.02: Growth of Tea Industry - Its impact on the Society, Development of Modern Industries-Coal and Oil

5.03: Growth of new Infrastructures- Roads, Steamers and Railways, Post and Telegraphs, Trade and Commerce