

HISTORY HONOURS SYLLABUS

Semester	Paper Code and No	Papers	Credits	Marks
I	HIS-UG-E101	Ancient India	4	100
II	HIS-UG-E201	Medieval India	4	100
III	HIS-UG-E301	Modern India	4	100
IV	HIS-UG-C401	Modern West	4	100
	HIS-UG-C402	History of China and Japan	4	100
V	HIS-UG-C501	History of Modern Europe	4	100
	HIS-UG-C502	History of Sikkim	4	100
VI	HIS-UG-C601	The Making of the Contemporary World	4	100
	HIS-UG-C602	Historiography	4	100

HIS-UG-E101: Ancient India

Unit I: Historical Geography Sources (all five)

Pre and Proto history - Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic cultures, Harappan Civilization: origin and extent, characteristic features and decline.

Unit II: Advent of the Aryans

The Vedic Age (society, economy, region, polity, gender relations). Iron Age, Heterodox sects: Jainism and Buddhism

Unit III: 16 Mahajanapada

Rise of Magadha, the Mauryan Empire: Mauryan administration, Art and Architecture, society and economy, Ashoka's dhamma policy. Polity, economy and society of the Kushanas and Satavahanas. Sangam Age

Unit IV: The Gupta Empire

Administration, society and economy (trade and land grants), art and architecture. Harshavardhana: political system and administrative institutions.

Reading List

- Bridget & F. Raymond, Allchin, *The rise of civilisation in India and Pakistan*, 1983.
- Basham, A.L., *The Wonder that was India*, 1971.
- Chakrabarti, D.K., *The Archaeology of Ancient Indian Cities*, 1977.

- Chakravarti, Uma, *The social Dimensions of Early Buddhism*, 1997.
- Kosambi, D.D., *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History*, 1975.
- Raychaudhuri, H.C., *Political History of Ancient India*, Rev. Ed. with commentary by B.N. Mukherjee, 1996.
- Sharma, R.S., *Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India*, 1991.
- Sharma, R.S., *Material Culture and Social Formations in Ancient India*, 1983.
- Thapar, Romila, *Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*, 1997.

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- Champakalakshmi, R., *Trade, Ideology and Urbanisation: South India 300 BC-AD 1300*, 1996.
- Huntington, S., *The art of India*, 1985.
- Majumdar, R.C., *History and Culture of the Indian People*, Vols. I, II and III.
- Mukherjee, B.N., *Rise and Fall of the Kushana Empire*, 1988.
- Sharma, R.S., *Perspectives in Social and Economic History of Early India*, 1983.
- Shrimali, K.M., *Agrarian Structure in Central India and the Northern Deccan: A Study in Vakataka Inscriptions*, 1987.
- Thapar, Romila (ed.), *Recent Perspectives of early Indian History*, 1995.

HIS-UG-E201: Medieval India

Unit I: Sources of History- 650 AD to 1750 AD

Political developments in north and south India: Palas, Rashtrakutas, Parthiharas and Cholas. Arab invasion- Ghaznavid and Ghurid invasions,

Unit II: Delhi Sultanate a. AD 1200 to 1550 AD

Political developments, Slave Dynasty, Khaljis, Tughlaqa, Sayyids and Lodis; Administration, socio-economic condition, art and architecture.

Unit III: Mughal- Afghan conflict for supremacy

Political development under the Mughals: Administration, socio-economic condition, culture, art and architecture, Bhakti and Sufism

Unit IV: Decline of the Mughal Empire

Emergence of Successor States, Interpreting 18th century India.

Reading List

- Chattopadhyay, B.D., *The making of early Medieval India*.
- Jackson, Peter, *The Delhi Sultanate: Political and Military History*.
- Kulke, Hermann, *The State in India (AD 1000-AD 1700)*.
- Raychaudhuri, Tapan & Irfan Habib (eds.), *Cambridge Economic History of India*, Vol.
- Sharma, R.S., *Indian Feudalism (c. AD 300-1200)*.
- Sharma, R.S., *Social Changes in Early Medieval India (c. AD 500-1200)*.
- Stein, Burton, *Peasant State and Society in Medieval South India*.

Reference List

- Ashraf, K.M., *Life and Conditions of the People of Hindustan*.
- Champakalakshmi, R., *Trade, Ideology and Urbanisation: South India*.
- Chattopadhyaya, B.D., *Representing the other Muslim in Sanskrit Sources*.
- Eaton, Richard, *The Rise of Islam and the Bengal Frontier*.
- Chandra, Satish, *Medieval India: From Sultanate to the Mughals*.
- Digby, Simon, *War Horses and Elephants in the Delhi Sultanate: A Study in Military Supplies*.
- Habibullah, A.B.M., *Foundations of Muslim Rule in India*.
- Hussain, Mahdi, *The Tughluq Dynasty*.
- Lal, K.S., *History of the Khaljis*.
- Majumdar, R.C.(ed), *History and Culture of Indian People, Vol. IV: Age of Imperial Kanauj. Vol V: Struggle for Empire, Vol. VI: Delhi Sultanate*
- Moreland, W.H. , *Agrarian System of Modern India*.
- Athar Abbas Rizvi, Syed, *History of Sufism*.
- Sharma, R.S., *Early Medieval Indian Society: A Study in Feudalization, 2001*.
- Stein, Burton, *New Cambridge History of India: Vijayanagar*.
- Tripathi, R.P., *Some Aspects of Muslim Administration*.
- Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan series, *The Mughal Empire (1526-1707), Vol VII*.
- Barratry Vidya Bhavan series, *The Maratha Supremacy, Vol.-VIII*.
- Habib, Irfan, *Agrarian System of the Mughal India*.
- Moreland, W.H., *From Akbar to Aurangzeb : A study in India Economic History*.
- Richards, J.F., *The Mughal Empire*.
- Sharma, Satish., *Parties and Politics at the Mughal Court (1707-1740)*.
- Alvi, Seema., *Eighteenth century in India*.
- Gordon, Stua., *The Marathas (New Cambridge History of India). 9. Moosvi, Shireen, Economy of the Mughl Empire; A Statistical Study*.
- Naqvi, H.K., *Urbanisation and Urban Centres under the Great Mughals*.
- Chaudhury, Tapan Ray & Irfan Habib, *Cambridge Economic History of India*.
- Alam, Muzaffar & Sanjay Subramanyam, *The Mughal State*.
- Habib, Irfan, *An atlas of the Mughal Empire*.
- Mukhia, Harbans, *Historians and Historiography during the region of Akbar*.
- Richards, J.F., *The Imperial Monetary system of Mughal India*.
- Syed Abbas, Rizvi, *Medieval India: Society, the Jagirdari crisis and the village*.
- Ali, Athar, *Nobility under Aurangzeb*.
- Sankar, J.N., *Aurangzeb*.
- Shiva, H.N., *Rise of the Peshwas*.

HIS-UG-E301: Modern India

Unit I: Advent of the Europeans

Ideology of expansion: Orientalism, Utilitarianism, Evangelicalism, Mercantilism. Political expansion and consolidation of British Power: Bengal, Mysore, Maharashtra, Punjab and Awadh.

Unit II: Land Revenue, Commercialization of Agriculture, De-industrialization

Peasant uprising: Chaur, Kol and Santhal.

Arya Samaj, Brahma Samaj, Aligarh Movement, Modern education.

Unit III: Historical debate on 1857

Act of 1858, Historiography on Indian Nationalism—Cambridge, Nationalist and Marxist.

Indian Nationalism 1885—1905-Indian National Congress, Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement

Unit IV: Indian Nationalism 1906-1915

INC and Extremism, Muslim League.

Indian Nationalism 1916-1947- Gandhian Ideology and Satyagraha, Non-cooperation Movement, Civil disobedience, Quit Indian Movement, Revolutionary Nationalism, Subhas Chandra Bose and INC, Left Movements, Peasant and Caste Movements, Indian Independence Act 1947.

Reading List

- C.A., Bayly, *Indian society and the Making of the British Empire* (New Cambridge History of India).
- Chandra, Bipin, *Communalism in Modern India*.
- Chandra, Bipin, *Nationalism and Colonialism in Modern India*.
- Desai, A.R., *Social Background of Indian Nationalism* (Popular Prakashan, Mumbai).
- Sarkar, Sumit, *Modern India, 1885-1947*, (Macmillan, Delhi).

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- Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Series, *British Paramount and Indian Renaissance* (Vol. IX, X, XI).
- Chandra, Bipin: K.N. Panikhar, Mridula Mukherjee, Sucheta Mahajan and Aditya Mukherjee, *India's Struggle for Independence (1859-1947)*, (Orient Longman, Delhi).
- Brown, Judith, *Gandhi and Civil Disobedience; The Mahatma in Indian Politics 1928-34*. (Cambridge).
- Desai, A.R., *Peasant struggles in India* (OUP, Delhi).
- Dutt, R.P., *India Today* (Manisha Granthalaya, Kolkata).
- Hardy, Peter, *The Muslims of British India* (Cambridge).
- Guha, Ranjit and Gayatri C. Spivak, *Selected Subaltern Studies* (OUP, Delhi)
- Jones, Kenneth, *Social and Religious Reform Movement in Modern India* (New Cambridge History).
- Kumar, Ravinder, *Social History of Modern India* (OUP, Delhi)

- Chaudhuri, Tapan Roy, *Indian Economy in the 19th Century: A Symposium*.
- Roy, Tirthankar, *The Economic History of India 1857-1947* (OUP, Delhi).
- Seal, Anil, *Locality, Province and Nation* (Cambridge University Press).
- Stokes, Eric, *Peasants and the Raj: Studies in Agrarian Society and Peasant Rebellion in Colonial India* (Vikas, Delhi).
- Stokes, Eric, *The English Utilitarian and Delhi* (OUP, Delhi).

HIS-UG-C401: Modern West

Unit I: Feudalism

Renaissance- Reformation, Evolution of European State system: Spain, France, England and Russia.

Unit II: Scientific Revolution of the 18th century

Industrial Revolution, Commercial Revolution, Price Revolution

Unit III: England in the 17th century

Stuarts, Oliver Cromwell, Restoration, Glorious Revolution

Unit IV: American War of Independence

Major issues: Political, Economic, Significance

Reading List

- Hill, Christopher, *A Century of Revolutions* (Norton).
- Rodney, Hilton, *Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism* (Routledge Chapman and Hall).
- Aston, T.S. & C.H.E. Philpin (eds), *The Brenner Debate*.
- Davis, Ralph, *The Rise of the Atlantic Economies*.
- Hale, J.R., *Renaissance Europe*.
- Hill, Christopher, *From Reformation to Industrial Revolution*.
- Anderson, Perry, *The Lineages of the Absolutist State*.
- Elton, G. R., *Reformation Europe (1517-1559)*.

Reference List

- Cipolla, M. Carlo, *Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vols-II and III*.
- Dobb, Maurice, *Studies in the Development of Capitalism*.
- Parker, G., *Europe in Crisis (1598-1648)*.
- Parker, G & L.M. Smith, *General Crisis of the Seventeenth Century*.
- Collins, B. James, *The State in Early Modern France. New approaches to European History*.
- Pennington, D.H., *Seventeenth Century Europe*.
- Rice, F., *The foundations of early Modern Europe*.

HIS-UG-C402: History of China and Japan

Unit I: China and Imperialism during 19th Century

- a) Society, Sino-Centricism, Canton Commercial Trade
- b) Opium Wars, Open Door Policies, Tai' ping Rebellion, Hundred Days Reforms.

Unit II: Emergence of Nationalism in China

Boxer Rebellion and Consequences, Reform of 1901-1908, Revolution of 1911, Sun Yat Sen Principles and position, Emergence of Republic and Yuan Shi Kai

Unit III: Nationalism and Communism in China

KMT and the First United Front, Communism and Communist Movement 1928-1949, Rise of Mao Tse Tung, Making of Red Army, Civil War, Chinese Revolution and its Consequences.

Unit IV: Meiji Restoration, Popular and Democratic Movements

Satsuma Rebellion and Popular Rights, Emergence of Japan as imperial power, Sino-Jap relations, Anglo-Japanese relation, Russo-Japanese War, World War I and Manchurian Crisis, Japan and World War II and its consequences.

Reading List

- Bianco, Lucien, *Origins of the Chinese Revolution, 1915-1949* (London, OUP, 1971).
- Chen, Jerome, *Mao Tse-tung and the Chinese Revolution* (Cambridge, 1970).
- Chesneaux, Jean, *China from the Opium war to 1911 Revolution* (Sussex, Harvester Press, 1976).
- Chesneaux, Jean, *China from the 1911 Revolution to Liberation* (Delhi, Khosla Publishing, 1986).
- Fairbank, John, *East Asia: Modern Transformation*.
- History of Modern China Series, *The Opium War, the Taiping Revolution, The Reform Movement* (1898).
- Hsu, Y. Immanuel, *The Rise of Modern China* (OUP, 1989).
- Jon, Livingstone, *The Japan Reader (Imperial Japan: 1800-1945), Vol.* (Pantheon, 1974).
- Norman, E.H., *Japan's Emergence as a Modern State* (New York, Institute of Pacific Relations, 1946).
- Schurmann, Franz & Orville Schell (eds.), *China Readings, 2 Vols. (Imperial China and Republican China)*.
- Triton & Dragon, *Studies on the Nineteenth Century China and Imperialism* (Delhi, Gyan Publications, 1986).
- Akita, George, *Foundation of the Constitutional Government in Modern Japan* (Harvard University Press, 1967).
- Allen, George, *A Short Economic History of Modern Japan 1867-1937* (London, Allen Unwin, 1946).
- Beasley, W.G., *The Modern History of Japan* (London, Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 1963).
- Jon, Livingstone, *The Japan Reader (Imperial Japan: 1800-1945), Vol.* (Pantheon, 1974).

- Norman, E.H., *Japan's Emergence as a Modern State* (New York, Institute of Pacific Relations, 1946).
- Scalapino, Robert, A, *Democracy and the Party movement in pre-war Japan* (Berkeley, 1975).

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- Michael, Franz, *The Taiping Rebellion* (Washington University Press, 1966).
- Jansen, Y.B. (ed.), *The Cambridge History of Japan, Vols V and VI* (Cambridge, OUP, 1988 and 1989).
- Schiffrin, Harold, Z., *Sun Yat-Sen and the Origin of the Chinese Revolution* (Berkeley, California University Press, 1970).
- Tung, Chow Tse, *May Fourth Movement*.

HIS-UG-C501: History of Modern Europe

Unit I: French Revolution

Causes - aristocratic revolt, course and effects of the movement, Emergence of Napoleon Bonaparte: consolidation, expansion and downfall.

Revolutionary movements 1830 and 1848.

Unit II: Social and political developments, 1815-1848

Metternich-the Congress of Vienna 1815

The second phase of Industrial Revolution: France Germany and Russia.

Process of unification of Italy and Germany-Bismarckian diplomacy and system of alliances.

Unit III: Colonialism and Imperialism

Eastern Question, Balkan Issue

World War I, Peace Settlements.

Unit IV: Europe 1914-1915

Russian Revolution 1917, post 1919 world under economic crisis, Fascism and Nazism, World War II

Reading List

- Cipolla, C.M, *Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vol-III* (The Industrial Revolution) (Harvesters, 1976).
- Joll, James, *Europe Since 1870* (Har-Row, 1973).
- Lefebvre, George, *Coming of the French Revolution* (Princeton University Press, 1989).
- Lucas, Colin, *The French Revolution and the Making of Modern Political Culture, Vol. 2* (Pergamom, 1988).
- Nove, Alec, *An Economic History of the USSR* (Penguin, 1972).
- Watson, Seton, *The Russian Empire* (Oxford, Clarendon, 1967).
- Williams, Raymond, *Culture and Society* (Columbia University Press, 1983).
- Wood, Anthony, *History of Europe, 1815-1960* (1983).

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- Hobsbawm, E .J. , *Nati n and Nationalism* (Cambridge, 1970).

- *The Age of Revolution* (NAI, 1964).
- Landes, David, *Unbound Prometheus* (Cambridge University Press, 1969).
- Roberts, J.M., *Europe* (1880-1945).
- Soboul, Albert, *History of the French Revolution* (in two volumes).
- Thompson, E.P, *Making of the English Working Class* (Random, 1966).

HIS-UG-C502: History of Sikkim

Unit I: Historical Geography (land and people)

Sources, Ethnic communities- Bhutia, Lepchas and Nepali- Ethnicity and Social Structure.

Unit II: Political History

Namgyal Dynasty

Anglo Sikkimese Relation, Relations of Sikkim with Tibet , Bhutan and Nepal

Unit III: Agriculture, Artisanal Production, Trade and Commerce

Urbanization, Revenue System, Different Forms of Labour, Elites.

Unit IV: Lamaism, pantheon and sects

Monastic art and architecture.

Reading List

- Rao, P.R., *India and Sikkim (1814-1970)*.
- Coelho, V.H., *Sikkim and Bhutan*.
- Jha, P.K., *History of Sikkim*.
- White, J.C., *Sikkim and Bhutan: Twenty Years on the North-east Frontier (1887-1908)*.
- Sinha, A.C., *Politics of Sikkim: A Sociological Study*.
- Edgar, J.W., *Report on a visit to Sikkim and Tibetan Frontier*.
- Bhattacharjee, P.K., *Coinage of Sikkim*.
- Risley, H.H., *Sikkim Gazetteer*.
- Malley, O, *Darjeeling District Gazetteer*.
- *Bulletin of Tibetology*.

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- Ram, Rahul , *The Himalayan Borderland*.
- Gopal, S, *British Policy in India*.
- Lamb, Alastari, *British India and Tibet (1766-1910)*.
- Deo, Arabinda, *Bhutan and India: A Study in Frontier Political Relations*.
- Eden, Ashley, *Political mission to Bhutan by Ashley Eden and others*.
- Das, B.S, *The Sikkim Saga*.
- Bell, Charles, *Tibet: Past and Present*.
- Rose, Leo, E & M. Fisher, *England, India, Nepal, Tibet and China (1765-1958)*.
- Bernstein, Jeremy, *In the Himalayan: Journey through Nepal, Tibet and Bhutan*.
- Colman, Macaulay, *Report of a Mission to Sikkim and the Tibetan frontiers (1884)*.
- Rao, P. Raghunath, *Sikkim: The study of its Integration with India*.

- Karan, P.P., *The Himalayan Kingdoms: Bhutan, Sikkim and Nepal*.
- Rahul, Ram, *The Himalayan as a Frontier*.

HIS-UG-C601: Making of the Contemporary World

Unit I: Origin of the cold war and its manifestations 1945-1975

- a) Military Alliances, NATO, Warsaw pact
- b) Economy Manifestations: Marshall Plan and Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (Comecon).
- c) Cold War Crisis: Suez Crisis, Cuban missile crisis, Vietnam War

Unit II: Regionalism

- a. Decolonization in Asia and Africa: Indonesia, Algeria
- b. Afro-Asian movement: Non-alignment
- c. Regional Alliances: OAU, NAFTA
- d. Issues of Armament and Disarmament: NPT, CTBT

Unit III: Conflict and Revolution

- a. Arab league, Arab-Israeli conflict.
- b. Iranian Revolution of 1979, Iran-Iraq war.
- c. The Gulf crisis.

Unit IV: New Economic and Political Order

- a) New Economic Systems: OPEC, WTO, GATT.
- b) New Political Systems: The UN, North-South divide and dialogue, South-South Cooperation

Reading List

- Evans, T., *Politics of Human Rights*.
- Cohen, R., *Global Social Movements*.
- Partha, S.Ghosh, *Co-operation and Conflict in South Asia*.
- Calvocaressi Peter, *World Politics 1945-2000* (Delhi, 2001).
- Keylor, W.R., *The Twentieth Century World: An International History*, (Oxford 2000).
- Vadney, T.E., *The World since 1945*, (1992).
- Grenville, J.A.S., *History of the World in the Twentieth Century*, (1998).
- Norman, *Mastering World History*, (Macmillan).

Reference List

- Kennedy, Paul, *Rise and fall of the Great Powers*, (1988).
- Kissinger, Henry, *Diplomacy*, (1994).
- Hobs, Bawm Exic, *Age of Extremes : The Short Twentieth Century (1914-1991)*, (1994).
- Manfield, Peter, *History of the Middle East*, (1991).

HIS-UG-C602: Historiography

Unit I: History

Definition and Scope, Relation with Social Sciences and Natural Science.

Unit II: Greeco- Roman Historiography

Herodotus, Thucydides, Livy, Tacitus.

Unit III: Ancient Indian Historiography

Itihas-Purana, Kavya-Prasasti, Charitas.

Medieval Indian Historiography: Arabic, Persian and Indo Persian.

Unit IV: Modern Indian Historiography

Philosophy and History: Colonial/ Imperialist (Cambridge School)

Nationalist, Marxist

Reading List

- Collingwood, R.G, The Idea of History
- Carr, E.H, What is History
- Jones, A.H. M, A History of Rome through the Fifth Century. Selected documents, Vol. I (The Republic) and Vol. II (The Empire)
- Pathak V.S, Ancient Historians of India
- Margolioth, D.S, Lecturers on Arabic Historians, Lectures V and VI.
- Siddiqui, Iqtidar Hussain, The Origin and Growth of an Islamic Historiography in India- Journal of Objective Studies, Vol. I, No. 1-2
- Rigby, S.H, Marxist Historiography.
- Yadav, Bhupendra, Framing History