

S.K.C.G. Autonomous College

**B.A. (Hons) History Syllabus
Choice Based Credit System
2015**

HISTORY BA (PASS)

CBCS SYLLABUS-2015

SEMESTER-1

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
1-	C.C.I-History of India-1	6	100
2-	C.C.II-Social Formations and Cultural patterns of the Ancient World	6	100
3-	AECC-I-Environmental Science	2	50
4-	SEC-I- Understanding Heritage	2	50

SEMESTER-II

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
5-	C.C.III- History of India-II	6	100
6-	C.C.IV- Social formations and Cultural Patterns of the Medieval World	6	100
7-	AECC.II- English / MIL	2	50
8-	SEC-II- Understanding Popular Culture	2	50

SEMESTER-III

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
9-	C.C.V-History of India-III (c.750-1206)	6	100
10-	C.C.VI- Rise of Modern West-I	6	100
11-	SEC-III- Art Appreciation an introduction to Indian Art	2	50
12-	DSE-I- History of United States of America-I (1776-1945)	6	100

SEMESTER-IV

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
13-	C.C.VII- History of India-IV (1206-1550)	6	100
14-	C.C.VIII- Rise of Modern West-II	6	100
15-	SEC-III- Archives and Museums	2	50
16-	DSE-II- History of USSR-I (1917-1964)	6	100

SEMESTER-V

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
17-C.C.IX-	History of India-V (1550-1605)	6	100
18-C.C.X-	History of India-VI (1750-1857)	6	100
19-DSE-III-	History of United States of America-II (1776-1945)	6	100
20-DSE-IV-	History of USSR-II (1917-1964)	6	100

SEMESTER-VI

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
21- C.C.XI-	History of Modern Europe (1780-1939)	6	100
22-CC. XII-	History of India-VII (1605-1750)	6	100
23-DSE-V-	History of Odisha-I	6	100
24- DSE-VI-	History of Odisha-II	6	100
Total		120	2100

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B.A.(HONS)HISTORY-2015

SEMESTER-I

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
1-	C.C.I-History of India-I	6	100
2-	C.C.II- Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Ancient World	6	100
3-	AECC-I- Environmental Science	2	50
4-	GE-I- Environmental Issues in India	6	100

SEMESTER-II

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
5-	C.C.III- History of India-II	6	100
6-	C.C.IV- Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Medieval World	6	100
7-	AECC-II- English / MIL	2	50
8-	GE-II- Research Methodology in History	6	100

SEMESTER-III

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
9-	C.C.V- History of India-III(c.750-1206)	6	100
10-	C.C.VI- Rise of Modern West-I	6	100
11-	C.C.VII- History of India-IV(c.1206-1550)	6	100
12-	SEC-I- Understanding Heritage	2	50
13-	GE-III- Making of Contemporary India	6	100

SEMESTER-IV

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
14-	C.C.VIII-Rise of Modern West-II	6	100
15-	C.C.IX- History of India-V(c.1550-1605)	6	100
16-	C.C.X- History of India-VI(c.1750-1857)	6	100
17-	SEC-II- Understanding Popular Culture	2	50
18-	GE-IV- Issues in Contemporary World	6	100

SEMESTER-V

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
19-	C.C.XI- History of Modern Europe-I(c.1780-1939)	6	100
20-	C.C.XII-History of India-VII(c.1605-1750)	6	100
21-	DSE-I- History of United States of America-I(C.1776-1945)	6	100
22-	DSE-II- History of Odisha	6	100

SEMESTER-VI

S.I.	PAPER	CREDIT	MARKS
23-	C.C.XIII- History of India-VIII(C.1857-1950)	6	100
24-	C.C.XIV- History of Modern Europe-II(1780-1939)	6	100
25-	DSE-III- History of United states of America-II (C.1776-1945)	6	100
26-	Project Report	6	100
	TOTAL	140	2400

N.B.

CBCS: BA (Hons.)

Core courses = 14 papers of 6 Credit each: 100 marks each (5 Units in each course)

Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course (AECC) = 2 papers of 2 credit each: 50 marks each
(English Communication / MIL / Environmental Science)

Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC) = 2 papers of 2 credit each: 50 marks each

Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) = 3 papers of 6 credit each: 100 marks each (5 Units in each course)
And Project Report of 6 Credit: 100 Marks (Project 75 + Viva 25)

Generic Electives (GE) = 4 papers of 6 credit each: 100 marks each (5 units in each course)

Sem I: 2 Core Courses, 1 AECC, 1 GE= 4 papers= 350 marks

Sem II: 2 Core Courses, 1 AECC, 1 GE= 4 papers= 350 marks

Sem III: 3 Core Courses, 1 SEC, 1 GE= 5 papers= 450 marks

Sem IV: 3 Core Courses, 1 SEC, 1 GE= 5 papers= 450 marks

Sem V: 2 Core Courses, 2 DSE = 4 papers= 400 marks

Sem VI: 2 Core Courses, 1 DSE, Project Report = 4 papers= 400 marks

Detailed CBCS Syllabus B.A (Hons), History

SEMESTER-I

PAPER I: C.C.I- HISTORY OF INDIA- I

I. Reconstructing Ancient Indian History

[a] Early Indian notions of History

[b] Sources and tools of historical reconstruction.

[c] Historical interpretations (with special reference to gender, environment, technology, and regions).

II. Pre-historic hunter-gatherers

[a] Paleolithic cultures- sequence and distribution; stone industries and other technological developments.

[b] Mesolithic cultures- regional and chronological distribution; new developments in technology and economy; rock art.

III. The advent of food production

Understanding the regional and chronological distribution of the Neolithic and Chalcolithic cultures: subsistence, and patterns of exchange

IV. The Harappan civilization

Origins; settlement patterns and town planning; agrarian base; craft productions and trade; social and political organization; religious beliefs and practices; art; the 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, *Political History of Ancient India*, Rev. ed. with Commentary by B. N. Mukherjee, 1996
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*, London, 2002.
Irfan Habib, *A People's History-Vol. - 1, PreHistory*, 2001,
----Vol.-2, *Indus Civilization: Including Other Copper Age Cultures and the History of Language Change till 155 B.C.*, 2002
Suggested Readings
Uma Chakravarti, *The Social Dimensions of Early Buddhism*. 1997.
Rajan Gurukul, *Social Formations of Early South India*, 2010.
R. Champakalakshmi, *Trade. Ideology and urbanization: South India 300 BC- AD 1300*, 1996.

PAPER II: C.C.II- SOCIAL FORMATIONS AND CULTURAL PATTERNS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD

I. Evolution of humankind; Paleolithic and Mesolithic cultures.

II. Food production: beginnings of agriculture and animal husbandry.

III. Bronze Age Civilizations, with reference to any one of the following: i) Egypt (Old Kingdom); ii) Mesopotamia (up to the Akkadian Empire); iii) China (Shang); IV) Eastern Mediterranean (Minoan) economy, social stratification, state structure, religion.

IV. Nomadic groups in Central and West Asia; Debate on the advent of iron and its implications

V. Slave society in ancient Greece: agrarian economy, urbanization, trade & Politics in ancient Greece: Athens and Sparta; Greek Culture.

ESSENTIAL READINGS

Burns and Ralph. *World Civilizations*.
Cambridge History of Africa, Vol. I.
V. Gordon Childe, *What Happened in History*.
G. Clark, *World Prehistory: A New Perspective*.
B. Fagan, *People of the Earth*.
Amar Farooqui, *Early Social Formations*.
M. I. Finley, *The Ancient Economy*.
Jacquetta Hawkes, *First Civilizations*.

G. Roux, Ancient Iraq.
Bai Shaoyi, An Outline History of China.
H. W. F. Saggs, The Greatness that was Babylon.
B. Trigger, Ancient Egypt: A Social History.
UNESCO Series: History of Mankind, Vols. I - III./ or New ed.
History of Humanity.
R. J. Wenke, Patterns in Prehistory.

SUGGESTED READINGS

G. E. M. Ste Croix, Class Struggles in the Ancient Greek World.
J. D. Bernal, Science in History, Vol. I.
V. Gordon Childe, Social Evolution.
Glyn Daniel, First Civilizations.
A. Hauser, A Social History of Art, Vol. I.

SEMESTER-II

PAPER 5 :C.C.III- HISTORY OF INDIA II

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 and 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, 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*, 1986.

D. D. Kosambi, *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History*, 1975.

S. K. Maity, *Economic Life in Northern India in the Gupta Period*, 1970.

B. P. Sahu (ed), *Land System and Rural Society in Early India*, 1997.

K. A. N. Sastri, *A History of South India*.

R. S. Sharma, *Indian Feudalism*, 1980.

R.S.Sharma,*UrbanDecayinIndia,c.300- C1000,Delhi,Munshiram Manohar Lal,1987*

RomilaThapar, *Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*, 1997.

Susan Huntington, *The Art of Ancient India: Buddhist, Hindu, and Jain*, New York, 1985.

SUGGESTED READINGS

N. N. Bhattacharya, *Ancient Indian Rituals and Their Social Contents*, 2nd ed., 1996.

J. C. Harle, *The Art and Architecture of the Indian Subcontinent*, 1987.

P. L. Gupta, *Coins*, 4th ed., 1996.

KesavanVeluthat, *The Early Medieval in South India*, New Delhi, 2009

H. P. Ray *Winds of Change*, 1994.

RomilaThapar, *Early India: From the Origins to 1300*, 2002.

PAPER 6: C.C.-IV- SOCIAL FORMATIONS AND CULTURAL PATTERNS OF THE MEDIEVAL WORLD

I. Roman Republic, Participate and Empire & slave society in ancient Rome: Agrarian economy, urbanization, trade.

II. Religion and culture in ancient Rome & Crises of the Roman Empire.

III. Economic developments in Europe from the 7th to the

14th centuries: Organization of production, towns and trade, technological developments. Crisis of feudalism.

IV. Religion and culture in medieval Europe:

V. Societies in Central Islamic Lands:

[a] The tribal background, ummah, Caliphal state; rise of Sultanates

[b] Religious developments: the origins of shariah, Mihna, Sufism

[c] Urbanization and trade

ESSENTIAL READINGS

Perry Anderson, *Passages from Antiquity to Feudalism*. Marc Bloch, *Feudal Society*, 2 Vols. *Cambridge History of Islam*, 2 Vols. Georges Duby, *The Early Growth of the European Economy*. Fontana, *Economic History of Europe*, Vol. I (relevant chapters).

P. K. Hitti, *History of the Arabs*.

P. Garnsey and Saller, *The Roman Empire*.

SUGGESTED READINGS

S. Ameer Ali, *The Spirit of Islam*.

J. Barrowclough, *The Medieval Papacy*.

Encyclopedia of Islam, 1st ed., 4 vols.

M. G. S. Hodgson, *The Venture of Islam*.