

Distance Mode

M.A. HISTORY

Course of Study & Schemes of Examination



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Objective of the Courses:

- to make the student conversant and with the history of the country
- give knowledge of historical trends of the world history at large
- to make him understand the socio-cultural and economic trends.
- to enable the student appreciate his heritage.

Outcome of the Course Study

The students after study of the course will have :

- the knowledge of the history of the country
- the knowledge of socio-economic changes and consequent effects
- will develop & sense pride in our cultural heritage.

M.A. History

M.A. History Previous

	In.+Ex. = Total
I. History of India upto C. 650 Ad	30+70=100
II. History of India C. 650- 1200AD	30+70=100
III. Historiography, Concept, Methods and Tools	30+70=100
IV. World History (18 th and 19 th Centuries AD)	30+70=100

M.A. History Final (Second) Year

V. History of Medieval India 1206-1761 AD	30+70=100
VI. History of India (1761-1947)	30+70=100
VII. History of Ideas	30+70=100
VIII. Twentieth Century World	30+70=100

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Syllabus of M.A. History (Previous)

Paper-I : History of Indian upto C. 650 AD

Unit- 1. Reconstructing Ancient Indian History

- (a) Sources and Interpreting historiographical trends.

Stone age hunters and gatherers

- (a) Paleolithic and Mesolithic Cultures; and rock art.

Early Farming Communities

- (a) Pastoralism and incipient farming: and Neolithic and Chalcolithic village cultures.

Bronze age, first urbanization

- (a) Early Harappan
(b) Mature Harappan.
(c) Late and Post-Harappan

Debate on Harappan chronology and ethnic identities

Unit- 2. Vedic Society

- (a) Polity, economy, religion; role of Vedas in Indian History.

Early Iron Age

- (a) Disposal of the dead, Megalithic culture.
(b) Economic development, Social Stratification-beginnings of Varnashram; Jati; gender, Marriage, Property, relations, sanskaras.

Unit- 3. Towards empire : Nandas and Mauryas

- (a) Polity : Nature and extend of centralization, and foreign relation.
- (b) Economy-trade and trade routes, currency and coinage.
- (c) Art and architecture.
- (d) Ashokan edicts, Dhammas, scripts.
- (e) Kautilya's Arthashastra; and Megasthene's India.

Post Mauryan Development

- (a) Sungas, Indo-Greeks and Saka-Pallavas-social conditions.
- (b) State formation in Central India and in the Deccan- Satavahanas and Western Khatrapasl and Grants and agricultural expansion, trade and trade guides; Indo-Roman trade, coins and currency, architecture; sculpture; and cave paintings.
- (c) Kushanas : Society; religion; art and architecture; and sculpture Gandhara, Marthura, Amaravati. Mahayana Buddhism and Tantricism; interactions with central and Western Asia, trade and Trade routes, including silk routes and spice routes; coins and currency; syncretic dements in Indian society.
- (d) Sangam age : chiefdoms; society; Indo-Roman trade; and integration of cultures.

Unit- 4. Guptas, Vakatakas and Vardhanas

(a) Guptas

- i. Political Consolidation-extent and structure.
- ii. Administrative organization, provisions and feudatory states.

- iii. Land grants, expansion of agriculture.
 - iv. Religion-revival of vedic and Puranic religious traditions, temples.
 - v. Sculpture, painting, architecture, Sanskrit literature, science and technology.
 - vi. Coins and currency.
- (b) Huna invasions.
- (c) Vakatakas and other dynasties of peninsular India: land grants; art and architecture; painting; society; and religion.
- (d) Harsha, Chalukyas, Pallavas : extent of Kingdom, administration; religion: society; and cultural activities.

- Unit- 5.**
- (a) Education Ideas and Institutions
 - (b) Status of women; family; and marriage and property rights
 - (c) Slavery; labour; untouchability and Varnasankar
 - (d) Debate on feudalism.

Recommended Book

1. Rai Chaudhary, H.C. – Political History of Ancient India
2. Upadhyay B. S. – Pracheen Bharat ka Itihas
3. Tripathi R.S. Pracheen Bharat ka Itihas
4. Kesharvani Pradeep Kumar - Pracheen Bharat ka Itihas
5. Jha D.N. & Shreemali – pracheen Bharat
6. Bhandarkar D.R. – Ashoka
7. Thapar Romila – Maurya Samrajya aur uske Patan ke karan
8. Gupta P.L. – Gupta Samrajy
9. Majoomdar Rameshchandra – Pracheen Bharat

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Paper-II : History of India C. 650-1200 AD

Unit- 1. Interpreting the period

- (a) Changing patterns of polity, economy and society.
- (b) Historiography and recent debates: feudal; segmentary; and integrative approaches.
- (c) Sources: Sanskrit, Tamil and other literatures: and archaeology, epigraphy and numismatics.

Unit- 2. Polity

- (a) Polity, structure and forms of legitimating; regional variations northern and eastern India; western and central India, and Deccan and south India.

Unit- 3. Economy

- (a) Agrarian, economy; land grants; agricultural expansion; agrarian organization; irrigation; and technology.
- (b) Urban economy: trade and trade routes: inter-regional and maritime trade; urban settlement; trade and craft guilds; forms of exchange coinage and currency; interest and wages; and traders, merchants and craftsmen.

Unit- 4. Society

- (a) Social stratification; proliferation of castes; untouchability; status of women; matrilineal system; marriage, property rights; inheritance, educational idea and institutions; everyday life; migration and settlement of Aryan groups in different regions of India.

Religion and Philosophy

(a) Religion: Bhakti movements: Shavism; Vaishnavism; Tantricism; Jainism; Buddhism; Judaism; Christianity; Islam; popular religious movement.

(b) Philosophy: School of Vendanta and Mimansa.

Unit- 5. Literature:

(a) Sanskrit, Prakrit Tamil and Apabhhransha.

(b) Rise of regional language and literature: Marathi Kannada; Telugu; and other languages.

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3. Tripathi R.S. Pracheen Bharat ka Itihas
4. Jha D.N. & Shreemali – pracheen Bharat
5. Majoomdar Rameshchandra – Pracheen Bharat
6. Dubey R. L. – Dakshin Bharat ka Itihas

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Paper-III : HISTORIOGRAPHY, CONCEPT, METHODS AND TOOLS

Unit- 1. What is History?

- (a) Meaning. Nature and Scope of History..
- (b) Collection and selection of date; evidence and its transmission; causation; and 'Historicism'.

Unit- 2. History and other Disciplines

- (a) Historical objectivity bias in History, Moral judgment.
- (b) Achaeology; Geography; Anthropology; Linguistics; Sociology, Economics, philosophy, Natural Science; Applied Sciences and Literature.

Unit- 3. Traditions of Historical Writing

- (a) Greco-Roman traditions; Chinese tradition; Chinese tradition, Ancient Indian tradition; Medieval Historiography-Western; Arabic; Persian; and Indian. Modern-Positivist; whig; Classical Marxists; and Annals.

Approaches to History

- (a) Theological: Orientalist; imperialist; Nationalist, Marxist; Recent Marxist; Subaltern; and Post modernist.

Unit- 4. Major Theories of History

- (a) Cyclical Historical Materialism: sociological; comparative;

structural; World-system; Ecological and Post-modernist critiques of history

Unit- 5. Themes in Indian History

(a) Economic, labour and peasant, varna. janajati and gender; religion, culture; environment; and technology.

Debates in History

(a) Representative study of at least four major debates on the social and economic history of the world

Recommended Book

1. Car, E H – Itihas kya h
2. Pandey G.S. – Itihas Swaroop aur Darshan
3. Chaudey Jharkhand – Itihas darshan
4. Singh parmanand – Itihas Darshan
5. Pandey lalta Prasad – Itihas Darshan
6. Kaushik Kunwar bahadur – Itihas Darshan
7. Kauling Wood, G – The Idea of History
8. Dubey Harinarayan – Puran Samiksha

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Paper-IV : WORLD HISTORY (18TH AND 19TH CENTURIES A.D.)

- Unit- 1.** (a) Cumption of Ascendency of France.
(b) World at the Middle of the 18th Century.
(c) Scientific view of the world
(d) The Age of Enlightenment.
- Unit- 2.** (a) Agriculture changes and early industrial revolution
(b) Industrial Revolution and its aftermaths.
(c) Emergence of Modern State.
- Unit- 3.** (a) The American Revolution-Its significance.
(b) The French Revolution and Napoleonic Era (1789-1815). Its significance in the world History.
(c) The growth of liberalism and Democracy in Western Europe.
- Unit- 4.** (a) Scientific and Technological background to the industrial Revolution-Stages of the Industrial Revolution in Europe.
(b) Socialist and Labour Movements in Europe.
(c) Consolidation of large Nation States- The Unification of Italy.
The Founding of the German Empire.
(d) The American Civil War
- Unit- 5.** (a) Colonialism and Imperialism in Asia and Africa in the 19th Century.
(b) China and the Western Powers.

- (c) Modernization of Japan and Its emergence as a great power.
- (d) The European Powers and the Ottoman Empire (1815-1890).

Recommended Book

1. Verma Lal Bahadur – Europe ka Itihas
2. Verma Deenanath - Europe ka Itihas
3. Sarthi, Parth G. - Europe ka Itihas
4. Katelvi C.D.M. – A History of Modern Time
5. Hayes, C. J. H. – Modern Europe
6. Khapton E. J. – Erope (1450-1815)
7. Jain & Mathur – Adhunik Vishv ka Itihas

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Paper-V : History of Medieval India 1206-1761 AD

- Unit- 1.** (a) Sources of Medieval Indian History.
(b) The Foundation of the Delhi Sultanate; Aibak, Iqbal Khan, Razia and Their works
(c) Balban & his successors
- Unit- 2.** (a) The Khilji dynasty
(b) Alauddin Khilji- general administration Conquests & economic regulations.
(c) The Tughlaq Muhammad Bin, Firoz Tughlaq
(d) The Sayyids & the Lodhies
(e) Bahmani Kingdom & the Vijay Nagar Empire
- Unit- 3.** (a) The foundation of Mughal empire Babar & Humayun.
(b) Sher Shah Suri and his administrative reforms
(c) Akbar- his early life, administration, conquests, religion & Rajput Policy
- Unit- 4.** (a) Mughal empire under Jahangir & Shahjahan
(b) Aurangzeb-Rajput relation, religious policy, deccan policy & Maratha relation.
- Unit- 5.** (a) The decline of Mughal empire
(b) Mughal administration
(c) The Mansabdari system
(d) Mughal, Maratha & Afghan conflict-the third battle of Panipat.

Recommended Book :

1. Shreevastava Ashirvad Lal – Madhyakaleen Itihas
2. Verma hareeshchandra - Madhyakaleen Itihas
3. Sharma L.P. - Madhyakaleen Itihas
4. Saran parmatma – The Provincial Government of Mughals
5. Majoomdar, R.C. – The Mughal Empior4
6. Tiwari, R P – Bhartiya Chahitrakala aur uske mool tatva
7. Ojha P.N. – A espects of Medivieal Indian culteues
8. Chandra Satish – Madhyakaleen Bharat
9. Habeeb, Irfan – Madhyakaleen Bharat

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Paper-VI : History of India (1761-1947)

- Unit- I.** (a) Understanding-modern India
(b) Sources; archival records, private paper, newspapers, periodical
(c) India in the mid 18th Century
- Unit- II.** **Expansion and consolidation of British power in India**
(a) Ideology of expansion & mercantilism
(b) Policy and programme of expansion.
(c) Instruments to expansion war the diplomacy
- Colonial construction of India : Structure & Industries**
(a) Administrative Structure
(b) Arms of the state- Police, Army & Law
- Unit- 3.** **Resistance colonial Role**
(a) Nature and forms of resistencial
(b) Pre- 1857-peasant, tribal resistance
(c) Revolt of 1857 ideology, programmes, Leadership of various level people's participation and response.
- Unit- 4.** **Strategies of Imperial control**
(a) British Government and its control over Indian
(b) Relations with Princely state
(c) Principle and policies governing foreign relation
(d) Indian & its neighbours- Afghanistan, Tibet, Napal & Burma
- Unit- 5.** **National Movements :**
(a) Approaches to Indian nationalism : conceptual debates.
(b) emergence of organized nationalism
(c) Trends till 1919
(d) Gandhi's movements nature programme, social

- composition, institution and challenges
- (e) States peoples movements
 - (f) States Peoples movement
 - (g) Working of Congress and non congress Provincial ministries.
 - (h) Communal Politics and Partition.
 - (i) Subhash Chandra Bose and INA.,

Recommended Book :

1. Grower, B. L. – Adhunik Bharat ka Itihas
2. Shukla R.L. – Adhunik Bharat ka Itihas
3. Vipin Chandra – Bhartiye Rastriya Andolan
4. Jain. K.C. – Adhunik Bharat
5. Majoomdar R.C. – Three Phasis of India struggle for freedom
6. Dutta, R.C. – Economic History pf India
7. Rai Satya – Upniveshvaad\

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Paper-VII : History of Ideas

- Unit- I. Political**
- (a) Ideas of Polity-monarchy, oligarchy & Proto-republicanism.
 - 1. Ancient
 - 2. Medieval
 - (b) Rights and duties of subjects.
 - (c) Legitimacy of political power
 - 1. Texts
 - 2. Practice
- Unit- II. Colonialism and the emergence of new political Ideas**
- (a) Liberalism; democracy
 - (b) Utilitarianism
 - (c) Postitivism
- Unit- 3. Social Ideas**
- (a) Formation of early ideas on hierarchy
 - (b) Rationalization and notion of hierarchy.
 - 1. Varna
 - 2. Jati
 - 3. Family
 - 4. Women
 - (c) Anti-caste movement during the colonial period-Satya Shodhak Samaj, Shree Narayana Movement,
 - (d) Social basis of nationalism.
- Unit- 4. Religious and Philosophical Ideas**
- (a) Formation of religious ideas in-early India.
 - 1. Vedas, Upanishads and Vedanta.
 - 2. Six, Schools of Philosophy
 - 3. Jainism
 - 4. Buddhism
 - (b) Ideas of dissent and protest-heterodox sects.
- Unit- 5. National Movements :**
- (a) Forms of religious thought and cultural synthesis.
 - 1. Bhakti Movement Vaishnavite Regional

Development

2. Sufism

3. Sikhism

(b) Reform and Revivalism-Brahmo Samaj, Prathana Samaj, Arya Samaj, Deoband and Aligarh Movement, Singh Sabha Movement.

(c) Ideas of religious Universalization and fundamentalism in modern India.

Recommended Book

1. Colingwood R.G. – The Idea of History
2. Bury, J. B. – Idea of Progress
3. Eliot and Dowshon –History of india as told by his own Historian
4. Chandra, Vipin – Adhunik Bharat me bichardhara aur Rajneeti
5. Car, E H – Itihas kya Hai ?

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Paper-VIII : Twentieth Century World

- Unit- I. Legacy of the Nineteenth Century**
(a) Growth of Capitalism and Imperialism, U.K.; France, Germany; and Japan
(b) Liberalism and Socialism.
(c) Nationalism.
World Order up to 1919
(a) Origins of the First World war, its nature; Peace Settlement and its long-term consequences.
(b) Making of the Russian Revolution-establishment of a Socialist State; its economic and political aspects; and responses and reactions in the West.
- Unit- II. World Between the two Wars**
(a) Working on the League of Nations and Collective Security: Crisis in Capitalism; Great Depression; liberal ideas and social movements and ideologues of Nazism and fascism: Germany, Italy and Japan.
Second World War and New Political order
(a) Origins nature and results of the War.
(b) Nationalist Movements and Decolonization
(c) Communist Revolution in china and its Impact on world politics.
- Unit- 3. Cold War and Its effects**
(a) Ideological and Political Basis of Cold War, Pacts and Treaties; tensions and rivalries
(b) Non- Aligned Movement and the third World.
(c) UNO and the concept of of world Peace; and regional tensions Palestine, Kashmir, Cuba, Korea, Vietnam.
- Unit- 4. Age of Progress : Economic and Social**
(a) Industry, Agriculture Science and technology; and Communication and Information
(b) Cultural Revolution Civil rights Movement; Apartheid; and Feminism.
- Unit- 5. Disintegration so of soviet Union and end of Cold War**
(a) Genesis and process of disintegration its impact of

- society and politics.
- (b) Changes in the political order from bipolar to unipolar World System.
 - (c) Socialism in decline, globalization and its economic and political impact.

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7. Tailor, A.A. – The First Word War
8. Vidhayakankar, Satyaketu- Europe ka Itihas

