



**PANDIT DEENDAYAL UPADHYAYA SHEKHAWATI
UNIVERSITY, SIKAR**

SYLLABUS FOR THE SESSION 2022-23(EXAMINATION -2023)

M.A. HISTORY (PREVIOUS)

ANNUAL SCHEME

There shall be four papers, each of three hours duration and carrying 100 marks each.

Paper I : Theories; Methods and Visions of History

Paper II : (i) Main Currents of Modern World History up to 1900 A.D.

or

(ii) History of Modern Europe (1789-1913 A.D.)

Paper III Twentieth Century World (1900-2000 A.D.)

Paper IV

Group A (i) Ancient Indian History (Earliest times to 200B.C.) Or

Group B (ii) Medieval Indian History (A.D. 750-1526)Or

Group C (iii) Modern Indian History (A.D. 1756-1905)

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M.A. HISTORY (PREVIOUS)

Paper I: Theories, Method and Vision of History

3 hrs. Duration

100 Marks

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Section- I

Meaning, Nature and Scope of History, Historical Fact and Interpretation Causation, Objectivity. Traditions of Historiography: Ancient –Greco-Roman, Chinese, Ancient Indian.

Section- II

Medieval –Western Arabic, Persian and Indian, Modern-Idealist, Positivist, Marxist. Theories of History- Cyclical, Linear, Idealist, Materialist, Sociological Comparative Structural, Ecological.

Section- III

Post-modernist Approached to History- Theological, Orientalist, Imperialist, Nationalist, Marxist, Subaltern, and Post-modernist.

Section-IV

Major Philosophies and Meta-historical Visions of History and Culture: Western –Hegel, Marx, Spengler, Toynbee.

Section-V

Major Philosophies and Metahistorical Visions of History and Culture ; Indiana: Aurobindo, Govind Chandra Pandey and Yash Dev Shalya.

Recommended Readings:

1. V.S Agrawala: Itihasa Darshana (in Hindi), Varanasi
2. Buddha Prakash: Itihasa Darshana (in Hindi), Lucknow, 1962
3. E.H. Carr: What is Histroy, London 1962 (Alos in Hindi)
4. R.G. Collingwood: The Idea of History, Oxford, 1961
5. M.C.Lerron: Philosophy of History (A Guide for students)
6. E. Sreedharan: A Textbook of Historiography (500 B.C. to A.D. 2000), Orient Longman, New Delhi 2005
7. Paul Hamilton: Historicism
8. William Dray. Perspectives on History
9. C. Beham McCullah: (i) The Truth of History
(ii) The Logic of History (Putting Postmodernism in perspectives)
10. Satish K. Bajaj : Recent Trends in Historiography, New Delhi, 1988
11. Ranjit Guha (ed) : Subaltern Studies, Vols. 1, 2, 3, &4, Oxford University Press. New Delhi 1982
12. V.S. Pathak : Ancient Historians of India, Gorakhpur, 1984
13. U.N. Ghoshal : Studies in Indian History and Culture, Bombay, 1965
14. Mohibbul Hasan :Historians of Medieval India, Meerut, 1968
15. C.H. Philips (ed) : Historians of India, Pakistan and Ceylon, London, 1961
16. S.P Sen (ed) : Historians and Historiography in Modern India, Calcutta, 1976
17. Keith Jenkins (ed): The Postmodern History Reader, London, 1997
18. G.C. Pande (ed): (i) The Postmodern History Reader, London, 1997
(ii) Value, Consciousnees and culture
(iii)Itihasa –Swaroop evam siddhanta
19. Yash Dev Shalya : Samskriti-Manav kartriva Ki-Vyakhya
: Samaj –Ek Darshanik Parishilan : Tattva Chintan

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Paper II: (i) Main Currents of Modern World History up to 1900 A.D.

3 hrs. Duration

100 Marks.

Note: - The paper will contain ten questions having two questions in each section. Candidates are required to attempt five questions in all selecting at least one question from each section.

Section-I

Renaissance – its Meaning, Nature and impact. Reformation and its impact. Counter Reformation.

Section-II

Industrial Revolution- Causes, Stages Impact. Debate on transition from feudalism to capitalism.

Section-III

American War of Independence: Causes, nature and significance. The French Revolution and its impact.

Section-IV

Rise and fall of Napoleon Bonaparte. Growth of Nationalism –Unification of Germany and Italy, Growth of Imperialism and Colonialism-exploitation of New World.

Section-V

Nature of European Imperialism in China. Modernization of Japan in the 19th Century.

Recommended Reading:

1. Henry Lucas :Renaissance and the Reformation, Harper & Brothers Publishers, New York
2. S. Harrison Thomson :Europe in Renaissance and Reformation, Prentice Hall, New Jersey, 1972
3. John N. L. Becker : A History of Geographical Discovery and Voyage, New York, 1963
4. Thomas S. Ashton : The Industrial Revolution (1760-1830), New York
5. James Thomson : Napoleon Bonaparte: His Rise and fall, Oxford University Press, New York, 1952
6. J.A.R Marriott : Evolution of Modern Europe (1453-1939)
7. The New Cambridge Modern History, Vol V to XI(Relevant portions.)
8. George Rude : Revolutionary Europe (1783-1815)
9. Leo Gershoy : The French Revolution and Napoleon
10. David Thomson : Europe since Napoleon.
11. Artz. : Reaction and Revolution (1814-1832)
12. J.M. Claphane : The Economic Development of France and Germany, 1815-1914 (relevant portions)
13. G.B. Parkes : The United States of America
14. Harold M. Vinacke : A History of the Far East In Modern Times, Indian Reprint, Ludhiana (Also in Hindi)
15. K.S. Latourette : History of Japan (Also in Hindi)
16. G. Beasley : The Modern History of Japan
17. Richard M. Brace : The Making of the Modern World, New York , 1955

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Paper II: (ii) History of Modern Europe (1789-1913 A.D.)

3 hrs. Duration

100 Marks.

Note: - The paper will contain ten questions having two questions in each section. Candidates are required to attempt five questions in all sections at least one question from each section.

Section-I

French Revolution (1789): Causes, Phases (1789-99) and consequences. Napoleonic era and its impact, Congress of Vienna (1815).

Section-II

Metternich Era- Forces of conservatism and restoration of old hierarchies. Revolutionary movements of 1830 and 1848 in Europe.

Section- III

Growth of Nationalism – Unification of Italy and Germany. Domestic and Foreign Policies of Bismarck. Agriculture and Industrial Revolutions in England, France and Germany.

Section-IV

Establishment of Third Republic in France and its problems. Liberalism and Democracy in Britain, Growth of Imperialism and Colonialism – Exploitation of the New World.

Section-V

Rise of New Imperialism- theories and mechanisms. The Eastern Question- Crimean War (1854-56) Congress of Berlin (1878) and Balkan Wars of 1912-13.

Recommended Reading:-

1. George Rude : Revolutionary Europe (1783-1813).
2. Lee Gershey : The French Revolution and Napoleon
3. J Holland Rose : French ki Rajya Kranti aur Napoleon (Hindi)
4. David Thomson : Europe since Napoleon.
5. J.S. Schapiro : Modern and Contemporary European History (1815-1952).
6. J.A.R. Marriot : The Eastern Question.
7. Southgate : Economic History of England.
8. F. Lee Bennis : Europe since 1870.
9. S.B. Fay : Origins of the World War.
10. G.P. Gooch : History of Modern Europe (also in Hindi)
11. A.J. Taylor : Struggle for the Mastery of Europe
12. Erich Brandenburg : From Bismarck to World War-I
13. Robertson : Bismarck
14. Grant & Temperly : Europe in the 19th & 20th Century.
15. J.H. Calpham : The Economic Development of France & Germany.

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Paper III Twentieth Century World (1900-2000 A.D.)

3 hrs. Duration

100 Marks.

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Section-I

An historical overview of the World at the beginning of Twentieth Century.

World up to 1919: First World War-Cause and consequent Paris Peace Settlement and its results. Russian Revolution of 1917- Causes, Nature and its impact.

Section-II

World between two World Wars: League of Nations –its objective and Limitations. The Great Economic depression and Recovery. Nazism in Germany, Fascism in Italy and Militarism in Japan- nature, processes and consequences.

Section-III

Second World War. Causes and Consequences. Nationalist Movements and the process of Decolonization. Communist Revolution in China and its impact on World Politics. Formation of the Bipolar World-Cold War and its consequences.

Section-IV

Non-Aligned Movement and the Third World. UNO and World Peace. Tensions and Conflicts in Palestine, Kashmir, Cuba, Korea and Vietnam.

Social, Economic, Scientific and Technological Developments Industry, Science, Technology, Communication and Information.

Section-V

Cultural Revolution; Civil Rights Movement; Apartheid; and Feminism. From Bipolar to Unipolar World: Disintegration of the Socialist Block Causes. Process and Impact. Globalization- Nature and its impact. Trends of Terrorism (1990-2000).

Recommended Reading:-

1. William R. Keylor : The Twentieth Century World and Beyond
2. Ian Clark : The Post Cold War Order
3. Langsam : World Since 1919
4. E.H. Carr : International Relations Between the two world Wars.
5. A.M. Gathorne-Hardy : Short History of International Affair (1920-1939)
6. J.P. Taylor : Origins of the Second World War
7. Pul Johnsonn : Modern times
8. Dallin and
9. W. Lapidus (ed.) : The Soviet System from Crisis to Collapse
10. Moshe Lewin : The Gorbachev Phenomenon
11. John Rothey : Twentieth Century World, Boston, 5th ed.,2000.
12. Norman Lowe : Mastering Modern World History, London, 1997.
13. Geoffrey Barraclough: An Introduction to Contemporary History.

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**PAPER IV: GROUP A (i) ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY
(EARLIEST TIMES TO c.200 B.C.)**

3 hrs. Duration

100 Marks.

Note: - The paper will contain ten questions having two questions in each section. Candidates are required to attempt five questions in all section at least one question from each section.

Section-I

A study of the source for the history of India from the beginning up to 200 B.C. Paleolithic and Mesolithic Cultures and Rock Art. Concept of the Neolithic and a Study of the Neolithic and Chalcolithic Cultures.

Section-II

The Indus- Saraswati Civilization: origin extent and main features –town planning, agrarian base, craft specialization , trade and commerce, religious beliefs and practices, arts .The problem of urban decline in the late Harappa Culture.

Section-III

The Vedic literature, The Early Vedic Culture: polity, society. Economy and religions. The Vedic Saraswati River and evidence for its historicity. Iron Age cultures: Painted Grey ware (PGW) Cultures, Northern Black Polished Ware (NBP) Cultures and Megaliths.

Section-IV

Emergence of Janapadas and Mahajanpadas (600 B.C. to 400 B.C) Republican States and their functioning, Rise of Magadha imperialism up to the Nandas.
The Mauryan Empire: sources and historiography. Debate over the date and authenticity of the Arthashastra of Kautilya. Chandragupta
Mauriya early career conquests and extent of empire. Ashoka, the Great kaling war and its consequence.

Section- V

Ashoka and Buddhism. Ashoka's Dhamma – its nature, characteristic and significance. Nature of Mauryan State and its Administrative organization. Decline and Downfall of the Mauryan Empire. Mauryan Society and Economy. Mauryan art and architecture. Significance of Mauryan Empire in Indian history.


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Recommended Reading:-

1. H.D. Sankalia : Prehistory and Protohistory of India and Pakistan poona 1974.
I: Stone Age Tools- Their Techniques Names and provable function, Decan College, Poona, 1st ed. 1962.
2. Vidula Jayaswal : Bhartiya Itihasa ke Adicharnaa ki Rooprekha (Puraprastara Kala), (in Hindi), Delhi 1987.
 - 1 : Bharatiya Itihasa ka Madhya Prastara Kala, Delhi, 1987 (in Hindi)
 - 2 Bharatiya Itihasa ka Nava prastara Yuga, Delhi, 1987. (In Hindi)
3. Gregory Possehi (ed.): Harappan Civilization, Delhi, 1982.
4. B.B. Lal : India 1947-1997: New Light on the Indus Civilization, New Delhi 1998.
5. Navratna S. Rajaram &
6. David Frawley : Vedic Aryans and the Origins of Civilization, New Delhi 1997.
7. Vibha Tripathi : The painted Grey Ware and Iron Age Cultures of Northen India, Delhi 1976.

8. Rhys Davids : Buddhist India, Delhi, 1987
9. Madan Mohan Singh: Buddha kaliaan samaja aur Dharam, Bihar Hindi Granth Academy Patna, 1972
10. K.A.N. Sastri (ed.) : Comprehensive History of India, Vol. II
11. R. C. Majumdar and : The History and Culture of the Indian People
12. A.D. Pusalkar (ed.) :
13. Vol I : The Vedic Age
14. Vol II : The Age of Imperial Unity
15. H.C. Raychaudhuri : Political History of Ancient India (in Hindi)
16. R.K. Mookerji : Chandragupta Maurya and his times(In Hindi)
17. K.A.N. Sastri (ed.) : The age of Nanda and Mauryas (also in Hindi)
18. V.C. Pandey : Prachin Bharat ka Rajnitika Thata Sanstritik Itihasa Vol I (In Hindi)
19. D.R. Bhandarker : Ashoka (also Hindi)
20. R.K. Mookerki : Ashoka (also Hindi)
21. Romila Thapar : Ashoka and the decline of the Mauryas.
22. Vachaspati Gairola: Arthashastra
23. Mc Grindle: Ancient India as described by Magasthenes and Arrian
24. R. Sharmashastry (ed.): Arthashastra of Kautilya

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**PAPER IV: GROUP B (ii) MEDIEVAL INDIAN HISTORY
(A.D.750-1526)**

3 hrs. Duration

100 Marks.

Note: - The paper will contain ten questions having two questions in each section. Candidates are required to attempt five questions in all section at least one question from each section.

Section-I

Source for the history of early medieval Indian (c.750-1200 A.D.) Political Developments: main activities of the Pratiharas, Palas and Rashtrakutas. Tripartite Struggle. Rise and expansion of Rajput dynasties. Rajput polity, society and culture. The Imperial Cholas and their Administration. Ghaznavid and Ghorid invasions- nature and impact.

Section-II

A brief survey of social and economic changes, developments in religion and philosophy, languages and literature, art and architecture during the period c. 750-1200 A.D.

Sources for the history of Delhi Sultanate. Achievements of iltutmish. Consolidation under Balban's. Balban's theory of kingship.

Section-III

. The Khalji Revolution Khalji imperialism and its resistance- expansion fo the Sultanate under Aluddin Khalji . His market control system, land revenue and military reforms. Muhammad – bin- Tughlaq's major Projects. His religious policy.

Section –IV

Firuz tughlaq's administrative policy and its consequences. Land revenue system under the Tughlaqs.

The disintegrations of central authority and the rise of provincial powers. Jaunpur, Malva, Gujrat, Bahamani and Vijayanagar Kingdoms. The Nature of Afghan Sovereignty. Achievements of Sikandar Lodi.

Section –V

The North West frontier problems of the Delhi Sultans. The Mongol Invasions impact central Administrative structure of the Delhi Sultanate. Bhakti and Sufi movement movements. Developments in languages and literature; art and architecture.

Recommended Reading:-

1. Mahdi Hussain : History Of the Tughlug Dynasty
2. Md. Habib and : A comprehensive history of India
3. K.A. Nizami (ed.) : Vol. V The Delhi Sultanate
4. A.B.M. Habibullah : The foundation of Muslim Rule in India
5. K.S. Lal : History of the Khaljis
6. R.C. Majumdar (ed.): The History and Culture of the Indian People, Vol. VI Delhi Sultanate
7. R.P. Tripathi : Some Aspects of Muslim Administration
8. B.N. Puri : History of the Gurjara-Prathiharas
9. Vishuddhanand Pathak : Uttar Bharat ka Rajnitik Itihasa (In Hindi)


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PAPER IV: GROUP C (iii) MODERN INDIAN HISTORY (1756-1905 A.D.)

3 hrs. Duration

100 Marks.

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Section-I

Understanding Modern India- source and interpretations. Establishment of British rule in Bengal 1757-1772. Maratha affairs and the role of Mahadaji and Nana Phadnis. Failure of the Marathas. Anglo-Mysore Relations –Hyder Ali and Tipu.

Section- II

Rise of Sikhs in the later half of the 18th Century. Ranjit Singh's Achievements. Sikh wars and annexation of Punjab. British Policy towards the Indian States- Various states Annexation of Awadh and Growth of Paramountcy.

Section- III

Résistance to Colonial Rule: Pre 1857- Peasant, tribal Cultural resistance outbreak of 1857- Ideology, programs leadership in various levels, people's participation and British repression and response. Aftermath of the Outbreak.

Section-IV

Liberal and conservative trends in British India administration 1858-1905. Frontier policy-India and its neighbors in north and north-west Social forces and Indian Nationalism.

Section-V

Origin and establishment of Indian National Congress. Growth of Nationalism and activities of Indian National Congress till 1905.

Recommended Reading:-

1. R.C. Majumdar (ed.) : British Paramountcy and Indian Resistance
2. B. Prasad : Bondage and Freedom, Vol I 1757-1858
3. G.S. Sardesai : Main Currents of Maratha History
4. N.K. Sinha : Ranjit Singh
5. S.B. Choudhary : Theories of the Indian Mutiny
: Civil Rebellion in the Indian Mutinies, 1857-1819
6. S.N. Prasad : Paramountcy under Dalhousie
7. B. Sheikh Ali : Haider Ali
8. M.S. Mehta : Lord Hastings and the Indian states
9. David Dillies : Crown In India, 2 Vol
10. Arthur Swinson : North West Frontier, 1839-1917
11. S. Gopal : The Viceroyalty of Lord Ripon, 1880-1884
a. British Policy in India
12. C.H. Philips (ed.) : The Evolution of India and Pakistan, 1858-1847
13. Charles Moore : Liberalism and Indian Politics.
14. A. Seal : The Emergence of Indian nationalism

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