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Division of papers for the Undergraduate Honours course in History

Part I

1. History of India from the earliest Times to 600 CE [Existing Paper I]
2. History of India from C 600 to C1500 [Existing Paper II]

Part II

3. Transformation of Europe (15th – 17th Centuries) [Existing Paper III]
4. History of India from C1500 to C1800 [Existing Paper V]

Part III

5. (Group A)History of East Asia from 1839 to 1950
OR

(Group B)Aspects of Antiquity [Existing Paper IV]

6. History of India from C1800 to 1964 [Existing Paper II]
7. History of Europe from 1789 to 1919 [Existing Paper VII]
8. World Politics in the 20th Century from 1919 to C2000 [Existing Paper VIII]

PART-I

PAPER-I

History of India from the earliest Times to 600 CE

UNIT-I (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module-I

Sources of Early Indian History

- 1.1 Classification and importance of both Literary and Archaeological sources
- 1.2 Understanding the nature of the sources for each period
- 1.3 History and Itihasa

Module-II

Changing Relationship between people and landscape, from hunter-gatherers to post Harappan cultures in the Indian subcontinent

- 2.1 The importance of understanding archaeological cultures viz a` viz landscape features- Hunter Gatherers to Early Pastoralists and Agriculturists
- 2.2 An over view of archaeological cultures in the subcontinent- pre-Mehrgarh , Mehrgarh and contemporary to Mehrgarh
- 2.3 Early/Pre Harappan Cultures-Prelude to Harappan Civilization -Harappan Civilization- the First Urbanization

2.4 Pastoralist/Early agriculturist Cultures contemporary to the Harappan-various Neolithic and Chalcolithic cultures of the Indian subcontinent

2.5 Decline of the Harappan civilization-Late/Post Harappan Cultures- a) Cemetery H phase, b) Gandhara Grave phase, c) Lustrous Red Ware.

Module –III

The Vedic Corpus and transition to the age of Janapadas and Mahajanapadas (c.1500BCE-400 BCE)

3.1 Spread of settlements -Political situation

3.2 Aryan Debate

3.3 Archaeological cultures beyond the Vedic milieu—Ochre coloured pottery, Black & Red Ware and Painted Grey Ware

3.4 Transition from chiefdom to kingdom- the Ganasangha tradition- sixteen mahajanapadas- Pre-eminence of Magadha

Module-IV

Mauryan & Post –Mauryan India (c. 400BCE-300CE)

4.1 Nature and extent of the Mauryan empire

4.2 Asoka's Dhamma

4.3 Decline of the Empire - rise of regional power centres in the post Mauryan period.

4.4 Central Asian intervention in north Indian politics focusing on the Indo-Greeks and the Kushanas

4.5 The Satavahanas and their struggle with the Saka Kshatrapas of western India

4.6 Kings and chieftains –the Cheras, Cholas and Pandyas- Sangam literature and archaeological evidence.

Module- V

The Age of the Guptas (c.300CE – 600CE)

5.1 Historical situation of India in 300CE—Emergence of the Gupta empire

5.2 The Empire in its mature form- Political achievements of the rulers-disintegration of the empire

5.3 Administrative structure of the empire with special reference to Bengal

5.4 Notion of Classical age and Threshold times

5.5 An introduction to the contemporary dynasties like the Vakatakas, the Kadambas etc.,

UNIT-II (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module-I

Aspects of Society

1.1 Beginning of the Varna hierarchy in the Vedic period- forms of marriage- position of women

1.2 Varna and Jati- property rights of women

1.3 Slavery, Untouchability and attitude towards women

Module-II

Religious Development

- 2.1 Vedic religion—Changing notion of gods and goddesses-Sacrificial practices
- 2.2 Rise of new religious groups & philosophical thoughts—Buddhism, Jainism and philosophy of the Ajivikas and Charvakas
- 2.3 Doctrinal and philosophical Changes in Buddhism and Jainism – Rising Importance of the Brahmanical religion-Different Brahmanical religious groups.

Module III

Comparative Structures of Economies in some early states-Maurya- Satavahana-Kushana-Gupta

- 3.1 Introduction
- 3.2 Agrarian economy
- 3.3 Non-agricultural production-crafts-guilds
- 3.4 Monetization
- 3.5 Land grants and its politico-economic significance (Gupta period)

Module-IV

Patterns of Trade, Urbanization & Routes of communication

- 4.1 Trade and Urban development-Second urbanization
- 4.2 Trading networks-both inland and maritime (with special reference to linkage with Roman Empire as well as Southeast Asian countries)
- 4.3 Merchants and Markets

Module-V

Cultural life

- 5.1 Languages and Scripts –An overview
- 5.2 Nature of Mauryan art-Presence of different schools of sculpture and terracotta art in the post-Mauryan period
- 5.3 Different kinds of Religious Architecture, Sculptural art and Painting-an overview
- 5.4 Systems of knowledge- Science, Technology &Medicine

Suggested Readings

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Irfan Habib (general editor), *A People's History of India* (Relevant volumes), New Delhi.

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Vol. 3 *The Vedic Age*,

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D. Chanana, *Slavery in Ancient India as Depicted in Pali and Sanskrit Texts*, Delhi, 1960.

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-----*The Character of the Maurya Empire*, Kolkata, 2000

-----*Kushana Studies, New Perspectives*, Kolkata, 2004

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প্রথম খণ্ড : প্রাক-ইতিহাস, (*Pre-history*)এন.বি.এ, কলকাতা, ২০০২

দ্বিতীয় খণ্ড : সিন্ধু সভ্যতা, (*The Indus Civilisation*)এন.বি.এ, কলকাতা, ২০০২.

তৃতীয় খণ্ড : বৈদিক সভ্যতা, (*The Vedic Age*)এন.বি.এ, কলকাতা

ডি.এন.ঝা আদি ভারত: একটি সংক্ষিপ্ত ইতিহাস, (*Ancient India: An Introduction*),

প্রোগ্রেসিভ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা.

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শিরিন রত্নাগর হরপ্পা সভ্যতার সন্ধান, (*Understanding Harappa*), এন.বি.এ, কলকাতা, ২০০৩

হেমচন্দ্র রায়চৌধুরী, প্রাচীন ভারতের রাজনৈতিক ইতিহাস, (*Political History of Ancient India*) পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, কলকাতা

রোমিলা থাপার, ভারতবর্ষের ইতিহাস, ওরিয়েন্ট লংম্যান, কলকাতা

নরেন্দ্রনাথ ভট্টাচার্য, প্রাচীন ভারতে ধর্ম, কলকাতা, ১৯৮৮

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সুকুমারী ভট্টাচার্য, ইতিহাসের আলোকে বৈদিক সাহিত্য, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, কলকাতা

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দিলীপ কুমার চক্রবর্তী- ভারতবর্ষের প্রাক্ ইতিহাস, আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা, ১৯৯৯

রণবীর চক্রবর্তী, প্রাচীন ভারতের অর্থনৈতিক ইতিহাসের সন্ধান, আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা, ২০০২ (সংশোধিত সংস্করণ).

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রামশরণ শর্মা, প্রাচীন ভারতের অর্থনৈতিক ও সামাজিক ইতিহাস, (*Perspectives in the Social and Economic History of Early India*), ওরিয়েন্ট লংম্যান, ১৯৯৬

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রামশরণ শর্মা, আদি মধ্যযুগের ভারতীয় সমাজ : সামন্ত-প্রক্রিয়া বিষয়ে এক সমীক্ষা, (Early Medieval Indian Society: A Study in Feudalisation), ওরিয়েন্ট লংম্যান, ২০০৩

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হীরেন্দ্রনাথ মুখোপাধ্যায়, ভারতবর্ষের ইতিহাস (১ম খণ্ড)(প্রাচীন ও মধ্যযুগ), পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ১ম মুদ্রণ : নভেম্বর ১৯৯৭.

ননীগোপাল চৌধুরী, বিদেশী পর্যটক ও রাজদূতদের বর্ণনায় ভারত, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, আগস্ট ১৯৮৪.

PAPER II

History of India from C 600 to C1500

UNIT I c AD 600 - 1200 (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1.

- 1.1 Sources & their interpretation: Inscriptions, Literature, Architectural Monuments & Sculpture, Coins
- 1.2 Historiography & Recent Debates (Periodisation / Feudalism / Segmentary State)

Module 2. Polity

- 2.1 Emergence of major political centres c 600 - 650: Kanauj, Bengal, Peninsular India
- 2.2 Political developments c 650 – 1200: Bengal, Western India, Peninsular India
- 2.3 Arab, Ghaznavid and Ghorid invasions: nature and impact

Module 3. Economy

- 3.1 Agricultural Expansion: Land grants and irrigation/agricultural technology
- 3.2 Land tenure: nature and changes
- 3.3 Urban centres: urban processes and population increase
- 3.4 Crafts and guilds
- 3.4 Indian and oceanic trade: a broad overview of trade linkages and commodities

Module 4. Society

- 4.1 Varna-Jati: the proliferation of castes
- 4.2 Gender relations: property rights; forms of marriage; attitudes towards women; women saints

Module 5. Culture & Religion

- 5.1 Sanskrit Literature; Evolution of literature in regional language with special reference to Bengali
- 5.2 Systems of knowledge: Schools of philosophy – an overview; Science: Mathematics, Astronomy
- 5.3 Temple and Cave Architecture; Sculpture
- 5.4 Overview of main religious sects: Buddhist, Vaishnavite, Shaivite, Bhakti

UNIT II c 600 – 1500 (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1.

Survey of sources and historiography with special reference to Barani, Amir Khusrau and Ibn Batuta

Module 2. Polity & Institutional Structure [1206-1290;1290-1350;1350-1500]

- 2.1 The state in Northern India and the response to challenges
- 2.2 Legitimacy, Sovereignty and theories of kingship
- 2.3 Nature and composition of ruling groups and the consolidation of the authority of the Crown
- 2.4 Patterns of regional political formations in Eastern and Peninsular India: Bengal; Vijaynagar & Bahmani kingdoms
- 2.3 Evolution of iqta and amaranayaka / nayankara systems

Module 3 Economy

- 3.1 Agrarian economy of the Delhi Sultanate: agricultural production and pattern of land tenure
- 3.2 Revenue system and magnitude of taxation
- 3.3 Urban processes and non-agricultural production
- 3.4 Monetary system, market regulations and trade during the Sultanate period
- 3.5 Peninsular India – Expansion of agricultural frontiers; incidence of taxation; long-distance trade and the role of the state

Module 4 Society

- 4.1 Composition of rural society and the village community
- 4.2 Forms of dominance and resistance – slavery, peasant uprisings in North India; militarization of peasant society in Peninsular India.

Module 5. Culture & Religion

- 5.1 Literature : Persian, and literature in regional languages with special reference to Bengali literature
- 5.2 Architecture: Forms & Function – Sultanate & Provincial with special reference to Bengal
- 5.3 Sufism : origins, precepts, practices
- 5.4 Bhakti : Kabir, Nanak, Chaitanya
- 5.5 Science & Technology: Irrigation, Agricultural technology; Building techniques; Textile production

Suggested Readings

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Basham, A.L	The Wonder that was India
Basham, A.L (ed)	A Cultural History of India
Bose Mandakranta (ed)	Faces of Feminine in Ancient Medieval and Modern India (NewYork, 2000)
Chakravarti, R(ed)	Trade in Early India (Delhi)
Champakalakshmi, R	Trade, Ideology and Urbanisation : South India 300 BC – AD 1300 (Delhi 1996)
Chandra, S	History of Medieval India (800 – 1700)
Chattopadyay, B.D	The Making of Early Medieval India. (Delhi, 1994)
Chattopadyay, B.D	Aspects of Rural Settlements and Rural Society in Early Medieval India
Chattopadyay, B.D	Studying Early India: Archaeology, Texts and Historical Issues (New Delhi, 2003)
Chattopadyay, D.P	Science and Society in Ancient India (Calcutta, 1977)
Chaudhuri, K.N.	Trade and Civilisation in the Indian Ocean. An Economic History from the Rise of Islam to 1750
Eaton, R.M.	The Rise of Islam & the Bengal Frontier (1204 – 1760)
Gopal Lalanji	The Economic Life of Northern India (Varanasi, 1965)

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Medieval India: The Study of a Civilisation (New Delhi, 2008)
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- Habibullah, A.B.M
- The Foundation of Muslim Rule in India
- Jackson, Peter
Jha D.N (ed)
Karashima, N.
- The Delhi Sultanate: A Political & Military History (Camb, 1999)
The Feudal Order (New Delhi, 2000)
South Indian History and Society : Studies from inscriptions
Towards a New Formation : South Indian Society under Vijaynagar
- Kulke, H. (ed)
Kumar Sunil
Majumdar R.C. et al (eds)
Majumdar R.C and Dasgupta K.K. (eds)
- The State in India (1000 – 1700)
The Emergence of the Sultanate of Delhi
History and Culture of the Indian People Vol. IV and Vol. V
A Comprehensive History of India Vol. III
- Meister M.M & Dhaky M.A
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PART-II

PAPER III

Transformation of Europe (15th – 17th Centuries)

UNIT-I (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

- 1.1 Nature of the Feudal Society and its regional variations
- 1.2 Crisis of Feudalism
- 1.3 Transition Debate.

Module 2

- 2.1 Economic Crisis and the commercial decline in the 14th Century Europe
- 2.2 The urban decay and the epidemics.

Module 3

- 3.1 Impact of the fall of Constantinople.
- 3.2 Development of National Monarchy.

Module 4

- 4.1 Economy in the 15th Century Europe
- 4.2 Economic expansion of Europe in the 16th Century
- 4.3 Proto-industrialisation – the rise of new merchants
- 4.4 Price Revolution
- 4.5 Agricultural Revolution and the Enclosure Movement.

Module 5

- 5.1 Printing Revolution
- 5.2 Revolution in war techniques
- 5.3 The exploration of the new world
- 5.4 Portuguese and Spanish voyages.

Module 6

- 6.1 Renaissance
- 6.2 Renaissance humanism
- 6.3 Rediscovery of classics
- 6.4 Italian renaissance and its impact on art, culture, education and political thought
- 6.5 Northern humanism.

UNIT-II (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

- 1.1 The formation of early modern state
- 1.2 The empire of Charles V of Spain

1.3 New Monarchy in England.

Module 2

2.1 Reformation movements

2.2 Origins & courses

2.3 Martin Luther & Lutheranism

2.4 John Calvin & Calvinism

2.5 Radical reformation: Anabaptists and Huguenots

2.6 English reformation and the role of the state

2.7 Counter Reformation.

Module 3

The economy of the 17th Century Europe.

Module 4

4.1 Origins of modern science

4.2 Scientific Revolution

4.3 Emergence of scientific academies

4.4 Origins of Enlightenment.

Module 5

5.1 Peace of Westphalia (1648)

5.2 Emergence of modern European state system.

Module 6

6.1 The English Civil War of the 17th Century

6.2 Political ideas of the Civil War

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PAPER-IV

History of India from C1500 to C1800

UNIT-I (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module-1: The Mughals

1.1. Historiography and sources: i) Historiography: different approaches;

ii) An overview of sources including: Abul Fazl, Badauni,

Bernier.

Module 2: The foundation and consolidation of Empire

2.1. A brief overview of India on the eve of Babur's invasion-kingdoms of Delhi, Mewar, Bengal, Bihar, Punjab;

2.2 Conquest and stability: i) Struggle for Empire in North India- significance of Babur and Humayun's reign ii) significance of Afghan despotism and rise of Sher Shah Sur to power and his contribution.

2.3. Expansion and consolidation of the empire: i) making of a new imperial system and administration- the Mughal nobility, mansab and jagir; ii) formation and evolution of the Mughal ruling class iii) Nurjahan – her role in imperial politics and the 'junta' iv) the mansabdari system under Shahjahan and Aurangzeb in 17th century.

2.4. The Mughals and the North-western frontier and Central Asia.

Module 3: Ideology and State in Mughal India

3.1. i) The Turko-Mongol tradition; ii) the Akbari imperial agenda and Suhl-i kul ; iii) Akbar's attitude towards religion and the state;

3.2. Evolution of imperial policy towards religion and state in the 17th century;

3.3. Ideology of alliances-the Mughals and the Rajputs in 16th & 17th centuries.

Module 4: Economy in Mughal India: Patterns, prospects and structure

4.1. The system of agricultural production-agricultural technology and crop patterns; i) Zabti system- magnitude of land tax; ii) non-agricultural production;

4.2. Trade, commerce and monetary system-i) inland and oceanic trade network in the 17th century; ii) creation of new trading centres; iii) crafts, industries and organization;

Module 5: Crisis of the Mughal Empire

5.1. Aurangzeb, the imperial elite and the Deccan wars;

5.2. Rise of the Marathas under Shivaji.

5.3. Popular revolts within the Mughal Empire - the Jats, Satnamis, Afghans and the Sikhs;

5.4. Crisis in the Jagirdari system -its political and economic implications.

UNIT-II (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1: Society in Mughal India- structure and growth

1.1. Rural society and agrarian relations: i) land ownership and nature of land rights, ii) zamindars and peasantry;

1.2. Urban society: i) towns and town life, ii) merchant communities, artisans and bankers.

Module 2: Religion and culture in Mughal India

2.1. Sufism;

2.2. Bhakti movement in the 17th century –the Vaishnava Bhakti cult in Bengal and its regional variations;

2.3. Literature, painting and architecture;

2.4. Technology – an overview of mechanical devices in textile, irrigation, military & building technology.

Module 3: Decline of the Mughals & the Emergence of Successor States

3.1. Interpretations on the decline of the Mughal Empire;

3.2. Emergence of the regional powers -case studies of Maharashtra, Awadh and Bengal;

3.3. Bengal Nawabs and the rise of the English East India Co. in Bengal;

Module 4: Consolidation of English Power

4.1. The Anglo –French relations;

4.2. Buxar, Diwani; the Famine, Drain of Wealth; framework of Company's control (the Regulating Act, Pitt's India Act); the Permanent settlement.

4.3. Company's relationship with the other Indian powers- Mysore and Awadh .

Module 5: Interpreting the 18th century and transition to colonialism

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 Habib Irfan- Resistance & Modernization under Haider Ali & Tipu Sultan
 Marshall P.J.i)-East Indian Fortunes: the British in Bengal in the 18th cent. ii) Bengal the British Bridgehead iii) (Edited) - The Eighteenth century in Indian history: Evolution or revolution
 Nizami K.A.-i) Some Aspects of Religion and Politics in India in the 13th century ,ii) (ed.) Politics and society during the early Medieval Period : The collected Works of Prof. Md. Habib (2 vols.)
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PART-III

Paper VA

History of East Asia from 1839 to 1950

UNIT I: China (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

Pre-colonial China

- 1.1 The nature and structure of the traditional Chinese society- the peasantry and the gentry class
- 1.2 Government bureaucracy and central control
- 1.3 China's pre-modern economy

Module 2

Colonial Penetration in China

- 2.1 The tribute system, the Canton system and their collapse
- 2.2 Opium wars and treaties with imperialist powers and struggle for concessions in
China
- 2.3 Increasing western economic interests- emergence of a coastal enclave economy- rise
of comprador bourgeoisie-open-door policy

Module 3

Popular Movements with special reference to Taiping Revolt

- 3.1 Background and cause
- 3.2 Nature
- 3.3 Causes of failure

3.4 Legacy of the Revolt

3.5 Other near contemporary rebellions – Nien, Muslim rebellions (1855-1874), Miao insurrection (1850-1872)

Module 4

Restoration, Reform, Revolution

4.1 Tungchi Restoration

4.2 The Self-strengthening Movement

4.3 The Reform Movement of 1898 iv) Boxer Rebellion and its consequences v) Late Ching Reforms (1901-08) vi) Republican Revolution of 1911- role of various social classes

4.4 Sun Yat Sen- principles and politics

Module 5

Nationalism and Communism in China

5.1 Emergence of the Republic and Yuan Shi Kai

5.2 Warlordism (1916-1925)

5.3 New Intellectual ideas and May Fourth Movement- origin, nature and significance

5.4 Problem of early industrialisation

5.5 Political crisis in the 1920's- The Kuomintang- The first United Front- The Kuomintang-Communist Conflict- Ten years of Nanking Government

5.6 The Communist Party under Mao Tse Tung- the making of the Red Army- The Second United Front- Long March- Second Sino-Japanese War (1937)- Yanan experiment- The Chinese Revolution (1949)- ideology, causes and significance - the Establishment of the Peoples' Republic of China.

UNIT II: Japan (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

Pre- Restoration Period

- 1.1 The Tokugawa Shogunate- the feudal society and government
- 1.2 Encounter with the West- the Perry Mission and the opening up of Japan to the West
- 1.3 The crisis and fall of Shogunate

Module 2

Meiji Restoration (1867-68)

- 2.1 Its nature and character
- 2.2 Different social classes and groups behind the Restoration
- 2.3 Processes of modernization- social, military, political and educational
- 2.4 Contrasting response of China and Japan to the impact of the West

Module 3

Popular and Democratic Movements

- 3.1 Satsuma rebellion
- 3.2 Popular rights movement
- 3.3 Movements leading to the Meiji constitution
- 3.4 Rise of political parties

Module 4

Economic Modernisation

- 4.1 Abolition of feudalism and economic growth
- 4.2 New land settlement pattern
- 4.3 Industrialisation and the role of state and private entrepreneurs iv) Zaibatsu

Module 5

Emergence of Japan as an Imperial Power

5.1 The Sino-Japanese War

5.2 The Anglo-Japanese alliance

5.3 The Russo- Japanese War

5.4 World War I and after- Japan in the Pacific and the Washington Conference

5.5 Manchurian Crisis

5.6 Failure of the Democratic system and the rise of militarism in the 1930's and 1940's

5.7 Japan and the World War II

5.8 Post War Japan under General MacArthur.

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PAPER V B

Aspects of Antiquity

UNIT-I (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1- Background

- 1.1 Major centres of the Ancient Mediterranean World: Mesopotamia, Egypt and Persia
- 1.2 Minoans & Mycenaeans: Impact on Greek civilisation
- 1.3 Etruscan contribution to Roman civilisation

Module 2- Ancient Historiography

- 2.1 Archaeology and the study of ancient history
- 2.2 Ancient Greek historiography – contributions of Homer, Herodotus and Thucydides
- 2.3 Ancient Roman historiography – contributions of Polybius, Livy & Tacitus

Module 3- Political History of Greece

- 3.1 Experiments with State Formation - The rise of the polis. Features, Nature and Class Composition - The Athenian and Spartan models.
- 3.2 Expansion of Greece – colonization; The Persian Wars – their Impact; The Confederacy of Delos; the Athenian Empire
- 3.3 The Peloponnesian War – origins - the crisis of Athenian hegemony
- 3.4 Decline of Polis

Module 4- Macedonian Expansion

- 4.1 Macedonian expansion – Alexander's conquests;
- 4.2 Character of the Macedonian Empire
- 4.3 The Hellenistic world after Alexander

Module 5- Political History of Rome

- 5.1 Transition of the Roman state from monarchy to republic
- 5.2 Development of the Republican Constitution - Citizenship in Ancient Rome. Stages of Roman jurisprudence
- 5.3 Roman expansion in the Mediterranean – Roman imperialism and its consequences.
- 5.4 Fall of the Republic and establishment of the Principate.

UNIT-II (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1-Society

- 1.1 Social issues in ancient Greece –Slavery, gender-the social basis of Athenian democracy.
- 1.2 Roman society - Servian reforms - the “Struggle of the Orders”- changes in Roman society – slavery, gender - the army as a factor in Roman social and political life

Module 2-Economy

- 2.1 Slavery & the Greek economy - Commercial hegemony of Athens & its consequences.
- 2.2 Roman economy- Urban or Rural? Impact of Slavery. Roman domination in Mediterranean trade

Module 3-Religion

- 3.1 Homeric Religion & Mystery Cults in ancient Greece.
- 3.2 Eclectic nature of Roman religious practices
- 3.3 Rise and development of the early Christian Church.

Module 4-Culture

- 4.1 Literature and philosophy in ancient Greece and Rome: Dramatics in ancient Greece-the Sophists- Socrates, Plato & Aristotle – The Augustan Age as the “Golden Age” of Latin literature.
- 4.2 Spectacle & political culture: Festivals & games in Ancient Greece. Gladiatorial games in Ancient Rome.
- 4.3 Art and architecture in ancient Greece & Rome

Module 5-Constructs of Civilization

- 5.1 Definitions of “civilization” and “barbarism” in the ancient Mediterranean world
- 5.2 Impact of barbarian invasions on the Roman Empire. Decline & fall of the Western Roman Empire-
- 5.3 Persistence of the Roman Empire in the East – ‘Hellenistic Civilisation, Roman Civilisation or Christian Civilisation’?

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PAPER VI

History of India from C1800 to 1964

UNIT-I: From 1818 to 1885 (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1: Understanding Modern India

- 1.1 East India Company as a super-ordinate power-colonial state and ideology
- 1.2 Orientalism, Utilitarianism in relation to India.
- 1.3 Theory of rent and laissez faire

Module 2: The Indian Response

- 2.1 Ram Mohun, Vidyasagar and the Young Bengal Movement
- 2.2 Socio-religious movements in other parts of India

Module 3: Rural Economy and Society

- 3.1 Impact of Colonial Land Revenue Settlements, Permanent Settlement in Operation and Commercialization of Agriculture and effect of rural indebtedness on the peasants.
- 3.2 Peasant response with special reference to the tribal dimension, taking Santhal, Oraon and Munda Revolts as examples.

Module 4: The Non-agrarian Sector

- 4.1 The process of Deindustrialization and the related debates.
- 4.2 Banking: indigenous and modern.
- 4.3 Emergence of modern industries—railway, jute, cotton and steel.

Module 5: Early Resistance to Colonial Rule

The Revolt of 1857: causes, interpretations and consequence.

Module 6: Colonial Intervention and Growth of Modern Education.

- 6.1 Differential impact, growth of a new intelligentsia, formation of early political organizations leading to the formation of the Indian National Congress.
- 6.2 Revivalist and reform movements
- 6.3 Women as recipients and agents of change in modern India with reference to women's writings (to be discussed along with some specific and prominent examples.)

UNIT-II: From 1885 to 1950 (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1: Historiography of Indian Nationalism: Economic social and political trends up to 1919 as background:

- 1.1 Early Congress and rise of Extremism.
- 1.2 Partition of Bengal and the Swadeshi.
- 1.3 British response and Morley-Minto Reforms.
- 1.4 Revolutionaries in India and abroad.
- 1.5 Rise of Gandhi.

1.6 Trends in Muslim politics—Aligarh Movement, The Muslim League Demand for separate electorate, Lucknow Pact.

Module 2: The Gandhian Era.

- 2.1 Rowlatt Act and Rowlatt Satyagraha.
- 2.2 Montague Chelmsford Reforms.
- 2.3 Khilafat and Non-cooperation.
- 2.4 Simon Commission, Nehru Report and Round Table Conference.
- 2.5 Civil Disobedience.
- 2.6 Quit India Movement.

Module 3: New Trends in National Movement.

- 3.1 Role of social groups and classes including Dalits.
- 3.2 Ideological trends in the Congress.
- 3.3 Kisan Sabha Agitations and Trade Union Movements, Peoples' Movements. 3.4 Left Movements and the formation of the Communist Party abroad.
- 3.5 Subhas Chandra Bose and the INA.

Module 4: Pre-War Political Developments

- 4.1 Govt. of India Act 1935.
- 4.2 Working of the Provincial Ministries.
- 4.3 Cripps Mission, Wavell Plan and Cabinet Mission.

Module 5: Post War Upsurges

Module 6: Communal Politics and Partition

- 6.1 Growth of Hindu Fundamentalism and Muslim Separatism.
- 6.2 Demand for Pakistan, Response to the Demand.
- 6.3 National and Regional. British Policies
- 6.4 Partition and Independence
- 6.5 Integration of Princely States
- 6.6 Framing of the Indian Constitution.

Module 7: India from 1947-1964

- 7.1 Partition, Migration and Rehabilitation.
- 7.2 Agrarian Reforms. Tebhaga and Telengana.
- 7.3 Framing of the Indian Constitution and establishment of Parliamentary Democracy.
- 7.4 Making of Indian Foreign Policy and Non-Alignment.

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হীরেন্দ্রনাথ মুখোপাধ্যায়, ভারতবর্ষের ইতিহাস (২য় খন্ড) (মুঘল ও ব্রিটিশ ভারত) পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ৪র্থ মুদ্রণ : নভেম্বর ১৯৯৮.

নিখিল সুর, ভারতীয় জাতীয়তাবাদী আন্দোলনের পটভূমি, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ,

প্রকাশকাল : জুলাই ১৯৮৯.

প্রণবকুমার চট্টোপাধ্যায়, আধুনিক ভারত (১৮৫৮-১৯২০)(১ম খন্ড) পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ৪র্থ সংস্করণ : জুলাই ১৯৯৮.

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সুনীল সেন, ভারতে কৃষিসম্পর্ক (১৭৯৩-১৯৪৭) (Agrarian Relations in India (1793-1947)), পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, প্রকাশকাল : জুলাই ১৯৮৫.

অমলেন্দু দে, বাঙালী বুদ্ধিজীবী ও বিচ্ছিন্নতাবাদ - অমলেন্দু দে, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, পর্ষৎ সংস্করণের দ্বিতীয় মুদ্রণ : জুলাই ১৯৯১.

অমলেশ ত্রিপাঠী, স্বাধীনতা সংগ্রামে ভারতের জাতীয় কংগ্রেস, আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা.

বিপান চন্দ্র, আধুনিক ভারত: ঔপনিবেশিকতাবাদ ও জাতীয়তাবাদ, কে পি, বাগচি এন্ড কোং, কলকাতা

বিনয় ভূষণ চৌধুরী, ঔপনিবেশিক আমলে বাংলার কৃষি ইতিহাস
অরুণ দাশগুপ্ত সম্পাদিত, অবশিল্পায়ন বিতর্ক
দিলীপ কুমার বিশ্বাস, রামমোহন সমীক্ষা
সব্যসাচী ভট্টাচার্য, ঔপনিবেশিক ভারতের অর্থনীতি, আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা.
ভবানী প্রসাদ চট্টোপাধ্যায়, দেশভাগ: পশ্চাত ও নেপথ্য কাহিনী.

PAPER VII

History of Europe from 1789 to 1919

UNIT-I (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

- 1.1 Understanding the 18th century Europe
- 1.2 Enlightened despotism
- 1.3 Socio – economic and political background of the French Revolution – philosophers.

Module 2

- 2.1 Trends in the French Revolution
- 2.2 Aristocratic revolt – bourgeois popular and peasant revolt
- 2.3 The Constituent assembly and its achievements
- 2.4 Girondins and Jacobins – the Reign of Terror and the rise and fall of the Jacobin Republic
- 2.5 The Thermidorian reaction and the Directory
- 2.6 Interpreting the French Revolution

2.7 Role of women in French Revolution

Module 3

3.1 Napoleon Bonaparte: the revolution legacy

3.2 The reorganization of France and Europe – fall of Bonaparte

3.3 Conflicting estimation of Napoleon's character and achievements.

Module 4

4.1 The Vienna Congress

4.2 Metternich and the Conservative order

4.3 An overview of the revolution of 1830 and 1848

4.4 Pattern of insurrection in France and other central European countries – collapse of the revolution.

Module 5

5.1 The emergence of nation states in Central Europe

5.2 Unification of Italy and Germany

5.3 Russian modernization

5.4 France under the Second Empire.

UNIT-II (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

1.1 Industrialisation in Europe – difference in the industrialization process between

England and the Continent – France, German and Russian industrialization

1.2 Rise of the working class movements and the Socialist thought (Utopian

Socialism, Marxism)

1.3 Art and culture, literature and Science of the 18th century Europe with special

reference to Romanticism and its cultural and political aspects.

Module 2

2.1 The Third Republic, Paris Commune and the new German Reich

2.2 Europe in 1871 – Bismarckian diplomacy – new balance of power – Kaiser William II and the new course in the German foreign policy.

Module 3

The eastern question in later 19th century with reference to the Crimean War and the Balkan Nationalism.

Module 4

4.1 Age of imperialism (1871 – 1914) –The impetus behind colonial expansion –

Scramble for colonies.

4.2 Anglo German antagonism – Triple Alliance – Triple Entente and the emergence

of two armed camps – origin of the First World War.

Module 5

5.1 The impact of the War on the old order – Collapse of the Dynastic empire –

5.2 Revolution in Russia – origin of the October Revolution and the Success of the Bolsheviks

5.3 Fourteen points of Wilson.

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2. Cobban, Alfred, History of Modern France, Vol. 1-3.
3. Cipolla, C.M, Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vol. III (The Industrial Revolution), Vol. 4 (Part 1 & 2).
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7. Evans, J, The Foundations of a Modern State in 19th Century Europe.
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17. Lefebvre, Georges, Coming of the French Revolution.
18. Lichtheim, George, A Short History of Socialism.
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20. Porter, Andrew, European Imperialism, 1860-1914.
21. Riasanovsky, N.V, A History of Russia.
22. Roberts, J.M, Europe 1880-1945.
23. Rude, George, Revolutionary Europe.
24. Taylor, A.J.P, The Struggle for Mastery in Europe.
25. Thomson, David, Europe Since Napoleon.

26. Watson, Seton, The Russian Empire.
27. Wood, Anthony, History of Europe, 1815-1960.
28. Lyon Martin, Napoleon Bonaparte & the Legacy of the French Revolution.
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২। প্রফুল্ল চক্রবর্তী, ফরাসি বিপ্লব : পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, কলকাতা

৩। সুভাষ রঞ্জন চক্রবর্তী, ইউরোপের ইতিহাস, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, কলকাতা, ১৯৮৬.

৪। টি.এ.জ্যাকসন, ফরাসি বিপ্লব : দশ দিগন্ত, কে পি, বাগচি এন্ড কোং, কলকাতা, ২০০৪.

৫। ডেভিড টমসন - বিশ্ব ইতিহাসের প্রেক্ষাপটে ইউরোপ। ১ম খন্ড (১৭৮৯-১৮৫০), ২য় খন্ড (১৮৫১-১৯১৪) প্রোগ্রেসিভ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা, ২০০২ & ২০০৩

৬। রাধারমণ চক্রবর্তী ও সুকল্যা চক্রবর্তী, সমসাময়িক আন্তর্জাতিক সম্পর্ক, প্রোগ্রেসিভ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা।

PAPER VIII

World Politics in the 20th Century from 1919 to C2000

UNIT-I (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

1.1 The Versailles Settlement of 1919

1.2 The League of Nations

1.3 Efforts outside the League to preserve peace and security: The Locarno treaty, the Kellogg Briand Pact

Module 2

- 2.1 The reparation issue and its impact on international relations
- 2.2 The Great Depression and its international repercussions
- 2.3 European Dictatorships: Origin of Fascism in Italy and Nazism in Germany –
Impact on world politics

Module 3

- 3.1 Responsibility of Hitler for the outbreak of Second World War
- 3.2 Diplomatic background of the Second World War – Policy of Appeasement –
the Munich Pact – Nazi-Soviet Non Aggression Pact.
- 3.3 The Spanish Civil War.

Module 4

- 4.1 Background of the foundation of UNO
- 4.2 Debate on the origins and nature of the Cold War.
- 4.3 Cold War and the emergence of Soviet and American economic and military
alliances: NATO, WTO, IMF, World Bank, Warsaw, COMECON

Module 5

- 5.1 USSR's relation with the East European countries (1945-64)
- 5.2 The US foreign policy in the Post war period: Truman Doctrine and Marshall
Plan

UNIT-I (50 marks; 40 lectures)

Module 1

- 1.1 Bi-polarism and regional conflicts: War in Korea – Crisis in Cuba – Conflict in
the Middle East (Arab – Israel wars of 1948-49, 67, 1973 – Activities of P.L.O-
Intifadah – Gulf War of 1990-91)
- 1.2 Disintegration of European Empires and the emergence of the Third World
- 1.3 The Non-Aligned Movement

1.4 The politics of Détente.

Module 2

2.1 Impact of the emergence of Communist China on world politics

2.2 Sino- Soviet relations

2.3 Sino- U.S. relations

Module 3

3.1 Indo-Pakistan relations

3.2 India and the liberation war of Bangladesh

3.3 The Liberation Struggle of Vietnam (1945-54 and 1954-1975)

Module 4

4.1 Reunification of Germany

4.2 The end of Socialist regime and the disintegration of USSR

Module 5

5.1 The end of the Cold War

5.2 The onset of Globalisation

5.3 American Uni-polarism and its significance for international politics.

Suggested Readings

1. C.Brown & J.Mooney, cold war to Détente 1945-83 (Heinemann 1984)
2. Chain Herzog, The Arab Israeli war (Vintage Books 1981)
3. D.Mitchell, The Spanish Civil War (Glanada 1972)
4. E.H.Carr, International Relations between the Two World Wars.
5. Eric Hobsbawm, Age of Extremes: The Short Twentieth Century 1914-1991
6. F. Mc Donough, The origins of the first and second world war (Cambridge 1970)
7. G.Lundstedt, East West North South: Major Developments in International Politics Since 1945 (Oxford 1999)
8. Gordon Martin, The origins of the Second world war Reconsidered (London Unwin Hyman 1986)
9. H.Higgins, Vietnam (Heinemann 1978)
10. J.Bhagwati, In Defence of Globalization (Oxford 2004)
11. J.Gaddis, We now know: Rethinking Cold war History (Oxford 1998)
12. J.N.Dixit, Across Borders: Fifty years of Indian's foreign Policy (Picus Books) 1998.
13. J.Stiglitz, Globalization and its Discontents (Penguin 2002).
14. Karuna Kaushik, History of Communist Russia 1917-1991 New Delhi Macmillan 2006.
15. Lipyong J.Kim, The Strategic Triangle: China, the United States and the Soviet Union 1987

16. M. Boemeke, G.D. Feldman and G. Elizabeth (eds.) The Treaty of Versailles: A reassessment after 75 years (Cambridge 1998)
17. M.E.Yapp, The Middle East Since the First world war. (Longman 1991)
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26. S.J.Lee, European Dictatorships 1918-1945, Rutledge 1987
27. S.R. Gibbons & P. Morisan, The League of Nations and UNO (London 1970)
28. Sumit Ganguli, the Origine of war in south Asia: Indo Pakistan Conflicts Since 1947.
29. W.C. Mc. Willams and H. Piotrowski, The World since 1945 – A History of International Relations (Lynne Rienner 1997)
30. William R. Keylor, The Twentieth Century World – An international History (Oxford 2001)
31. M.Mamoon & Jayanta Kumar Ray, Civil Society in Bangladesh Resitenceand Retreat, Kolkata 1996

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২. জয়ন্তকুমার রায় - গণতন্ত্র এবং জাতীয়তার অগ্নিপরীক্ষা, বাংলাদেশ, ১৯৪৭-১৯৭১
অ্যালায়েড পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা
৩. রাখারমণ চক্রবর্তী ও সুকল্পা চক্রবর্তী, সমসাময়িক আন্তর্জাতিক সম্পর্ক, প্রোগ্রেসিভ
পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা।

Question Pattern in Honours:

20 x 3 } 4 Questions from Unit I
 4 Questions from Unit II
 Taking not more than 1 question
 From any single module

Students have to answer 3
 questions taking at least 1 from
 each unit.

10 x 1 3 Questions from Unit I

10 x 1 3 Questions from Unit II

5 x 2 5 Questions from Unit I

5 x 2 5 Questions from Unit II

History General

Paper I

Ancient & Medieval Indian History upto 1556

Unit – I

Module – 1

- 1.1 Literary and Archaeological sources of Ancient and Medieval Indian History.
- 1.2 Historical understanding of the rise and decline of the Indus Vally Civilization.

Module – 2

- 2.1 Political Developments: Indian Polity in early and later vedic times.
- 2.2 The Mahajanapadas – The rise and fall of the Maurya Empire.
- 2.3 The Satavahana and Kushana rule.

Module – 3

- 3.1 The Imperial Guptas – regional powers and the struggle for power in North India.
- 3.2 Political developments in South India

Module – 4

Society, religion and economy of Ancient and Early medieval India, (A broad overview) with special reference to the position of women, trade and commerce, crafts and guilds debate on feudalism.

Module – 5

5.1 Art, Architecture, Science, Literature and culture of Ancient and early medieval India.

Unit – II

Module – 1

- 1.1 Impact of Islam and Political changes in India. A brief overview of the Delhi Sultanate, its administrative machinery
- 1.2 Theory of Kingship
- 1.3 Independent Sultans of Bengal.

Module – 2

Society, Religion, Culture and Economy of the Delhi Sultanate (A broad overview).

Module – 3

- 3.1 Disintegration of the Sultanate
- 3.2 Foundation of Mughal Empire.

Module – 4

- 4.1 Mughal-Afghan Conflict
- 4.2 Sher shah as an empire builder and an administrator.

Module – 5

Akbar and the consolidation of the Mughal Empire.

Suggested Readings (for History General Paper I)

- 1) H.C. Roychaudhury, K.K. Dutta, R.C. Majumdar, Advanced History of India
- 2) N.K. Sinha & N.R. Ray, History of India
- 3) Satish Chandra, Medieval India.
- 4) Ram Saran Sharma, Ancient India
- 5) S.N.Sen, Advanced History of Ancient and Medieval India

Paper-II

Indian History from 1556 to 1947

Unit-1

Module -1

- 1.1 Akbar and the Political expansion of Mughal Empire.
- 1.2 Akbar's relation with the Rajputs.
- 1.3 Evolution of Akbar's religious policy.

Module -2

- 2.1 The Manasabdari System and the emergence of a composite ruling class.
- 2.2 Expanding frontiers of Mughal Empire in post-Akbar India.

Module -3

- 3.1 Climax and crisis of the Mughal Empire under Aurangzeb: Aurangzeb's entanglements in the Deccan .
- 3.2 Rise of Shivaji and the Mughal –Maratha Contest for supremacy.
- 3.3** Changes in the Rajput policy and the religious policy of the Mughals in the reign of Aurangzeb.

Module -4

- 4.1 Mughal economy: land revenue - commercial expansion.

4.2 Mughal art and architecture.

4.3 Historiographical debate on the break up of the Mughal Empire .

Module -5

5.1 Political ascendancy of the English East India Company in Bengal (1757-65)

5.2 English East India Company's relation with the Indian states – Marathas, Mysore , Sikhs .

5.3 British policies of colonial annexation – subsidiary alliance, Doctrine of Lapse.

Unit-2

Module -1

1.1 Colonial economy: Land revenue settlements - Bengal, North India, South and west India.

1.2 Drain of wealth.

1.3 De-industrialization.

Module -2

2.1 English education in Bengal up to 1857.

2.2 Indian response to westernization: Raja Ram Mohan Roy – Young Bengal, Vidyasagar - Prarthana Samaj - Arya Samaj .

2.3 Aligarh movement and the modernization of Islam.

Module -3

3.1 Early resistance to colonial rule: Wahabi and Faraizi movements – Santal rebellion.

3.2 The revolt of 1857.

3.3 Growth of National Consciousness: Politics of Association - The Birth of Indian National Congress.

Module -4

4.1 The nature of early Congress under moderate leadership.

4.2 Ideology and programme of militant nationalists.

4.3 The Swadeshi movement.

4.4 The birth of All India Muslim League.

4.5 Revolutionary terrorism in Bengal and Punjab.

4.6 Impact of the First World War on Indian economy, society and polity.

Module -5

- 5.1 Gandhi and Indian National Movement: Rise of Gandhi - Rowlatt Satyagraha - Khilafat - Non-Cooperation - Civil Disobedience and Quit India Movement.
- 5.2 Nationalist Revolutionary Movements.
- 5.3 Subhas Chandra Bose, the Indian National Army and the Indian Freedom Movement.
- 5.4 Post war upsurge and the different strands of protest politics.
- 5.5 Communal Politics culminating in the partition and transfer of power.

Suggested Reading

1. Irfan Habib, Medieval India: The study of a civilization.
2. Satish Chandra, Medieval India Part Two Mughal Empire.
3. Sekhar Bandopadhyaya, From Plassey to Partition.
4. Sumit Sarkar, Modern India 1885 – 1947.
5. Bipan Chandra, India's Struggle for Independence

Paper III

Modern Europe from 1789 to 1939 A.D.

Unit – I

Module – 1

- 1.1 Background –
- 1.2 Renaissance and Reformation
- 1.3 Geographical Discoveries
- 1.4 Scientific Revolution, Advent of Capitalism (A brief overview)

Module – 2

- 2.1 The French Revolution – socioeconomic background: Role of the philosophers.
- 2.2 Progress of the Revolution: Popular Movements: Jacobins and Girondins.

Module – 3

- 3.1 Rise of Napoleon: Internal Reconstruction
- 3.2 Napoleon and Europe. Napoleon and revolution.

Module – 4

- 4.1 Political Developments in Europe from (1815 – 1870)

4.2 Triumph of conservatism – The Matternich System Stages of Italian Unification

4.3 Unification and Consolidation of Germany

4.4 Russia: Attempts at Reforms by Alexander II.

Module – 5

5.1 Society and Economy in Nineteenth Century Europe

5.2 Industrial Advances in England and the Continent

5.3 Utopian Socialism and Marxism

5.4 Art, Culture, Literature and Science.

Unit – II

Module – 1

Europe between 1871-1914: New Balance of Power, scramble for colonies in asia and Africa.

Module – 2

The Eastern Question: Main Issues – Crimean War, Balkan Nationalism (A brief overview)

Module – 3

3.1 Triple Alliance, Triple Entente and the emergence of two armed camps;

3.2 Origins of the First World War – Issues and Stakes;

3.3 Russian Revolution of 1917.

Module – 4

4.1 Peace settlement of 1919: Its long term consequences

4.2 Birth of the German Republic.

Module – 5

5.1 Europe in the Inter War period (1919-1939).

5.2 Consolidation of economic and political power of the Soviet State;

5.3 Rise of Fascism in Italy;

5.4 Rise of Nazism in Germany; Aggressive foreign politics;

5.5 Outbreak of the second World War.

Suggested Readings

- 1) Ketelbey, History of Modern Times.
- 2) David Thomson, Europe Since Napoleon.
- 3) Norman Lowe, Mastering the Modern World.

Paper IV

India and the World

UNIT-I: INDIA 1947 – 1964

Module-1

1.1 Understanding the causes of the partition of India .

1.2 Impact of Partition on Indian polity, economy , society and culture .

Module-2

2.1 Adoption of a republican constitution in 1950 : Salient features of the Indian Constitution.

2.2 Nehru and the development of Parliamentary democracy in India .

Module-3

Economic Planning : First three five year plans .

Module-4

Social movements in contemporary India .

Module-5

5.1 Indo-Pakistan relations .

5.2 India and the Non-Aligned Movement .

UNIT-II: WORLD 1945 – 1991

Module-1

Debate on the origins of the cold war.

Module-2

- 2.1 Cold war and the emergence of the U.S and Soviet military and economic alliances – NATO , IMF , WARSAW , WTO .
- 2.2 U.S. Foreign policy in the post-war period; Truman Doctrine and Marshall Plan .

Module-3

- 3.1 Bipolarism and regional conflicts :
- 3.2 War in Korea
- 3.3 Conflict in the Middle East: Arab-Israel War of 1948-49 , 1967 , 1973 .

Module-4

- 4.1 Impact of the emergence of China on the Worlds Politics.
- 4.2 Sino-Indian relations.

Module-5

- 5.1 India and the liberation war of Bangladesh.
- 5.2 The liberation struggle of Vietnam (1954-75).

Module-6

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