

## Course Structure

B.A. Honours Programme in History under Choice Based Credit System

Dibrugarh University

Sem	Core Course (14) 6 credit each	Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (3) 2 credit each	Skill Enhancement Courses (2) 2 credit each	Discipline Specific Elective (4) 6 credit each	Generic Elective- Interdisciplinary (4) 6 credit each
I	<b>HISHC101</b> History of India –I  <b>HISHC102</b> Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Ancient World	<b>AECC 1:</b> Communicative English  <b>AECC 2:</b> MIL/Communicative Hindi/ Alternative English			<b>HISGE 1:</b> History of Assam 1228-1826
II	<b>HISHC103</b> History of India –II  <b>HISHC104</b> Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Medieval World	<b>AECC 3:</b> Environmental Science/Studies			<b>HISGE 2:</b> History of India from the Earliest times to 1526
III	<b>HISHC105:</b> History of India-III  <b>HISHC106:</b> Rise of Modern West- I  <b>HISHC107:</b> History of India-IV		<b>SEC 1:</b> *		<b>HISGE 3:</b> History of India 1526- 1947
IV	<b>HISHC108:</b> Rise of the Modern West-II  <b>HISHC109:</b> History of India-V  <b>HISHC1010:</b> History of India-VI		<b>SEC 2:</b> *		<b>HISGE 4.1:</b> History of Modern Assam (1826-1947)  <b>HISGE 4.2:</b> History of Europe- 1453-1815 **
V	<b>HISHC1011:</b> History of Modern Europe-I  <b>HISHC1012:</b> History of India -VII			<b>HISHDSE 501:</b> Early and Medieval Assam till 1826  <b>HISHDSE 502:</b> History of Modern Assam 1826-1947	
VI	<b>HISHC1013:</b> History of India-VIII			<b>HISHDSE 601:</b> Social and	

	<b>HISHC1014:</b> History of Modern Europe-II			Economic History of Assam  <b>HISHDSE 602:</b> Historiography  <b>HISHDSE603:</b> History of United States of America c.1776-1945 ***	
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\*Students have to choose the required Skill Enhancement Courses from the common basket of such courses offered by the University

\*\* Students have to opt for any one GE course out of HISGE 4.1 and HISGE 4.2

\*\*\*Students have to opt for any two DSE courses out of HISHDSE601, HISHDSE602 and HISHDSE603

## Course Structure

B.A. Non-Honours Programme in History under Choice Based Credit System

Dibrugarh University

Semester	Core Course(4) 6 credit each	Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course (2)	*Skill Enhancement Course 2 credit each	Discipline Specific Elective 6 credit each	Generic Elective 6 credit each
I	<b>HISGC 101:</b> History of Ancient India	AECC I Mutidisciplinary Course (4 credit)			
II	<b>HISGC 201:</b> History of Medieval India	AECC II Environmental Science (2 credit)			
III	<b>HISGC 301:</b> History of Modern India		SEC 1.1		
IV	<b>HISGC 401:</b> Early and Medieval Assam till 1826		SEC 2.1		
V			SEC 1.2	<b>HISGDSE 1:</b> Rise of Modern West	<b>HISGE 5:</b> Women in Indian History
VI			SEC 2.2	<b>HISGDSE 2.1:</b> History of Europe (1815- 1945) <b>HISGDSE 2.2:</b> Polity, Society and Economy of Modern Assam (1826-1947)**	<b>HISGE 6:</b> Environmental History

\* Students have to choose the required Skill Enhancement Courses from the common basket of such courses offered by the University

\*\* Students have to opt any one course out of **HISGDSE 2.1** and **HISGDSE 2.2**

**Course Structure of B.A. Honours Programme in History under CBCS,  
Dibrugarh University**

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
HISHC101	History of India-I
HISHC102	Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Ancient World
HISHC103	History of India-II
HISHC104	Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Medieval World
HISHC105	History of India-III (c. 750-1206)
HISHC106	Rise of the Modern West-I
HISHC107	History of India IV (c.1206-1550)
HISHC108	Rise of the Modern West -II
HISHC109	History of India-V (c. 1550-1605)
HISHC1010	History of India-VI (c. 1605-1750)
HISHC1011	History of Modern Europe- I (c. 1780-1939)
HISHC1012	History of India-VII (c. 1750-1857)
HISHC1013	History of India-VIII (c. 1857-1950)
HISHC1014	History of Modern Europe- II (1780-1939)

**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (Any Four)**

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
HISHDSE 501	Early and Medieval Assam till 1826
HISHDSE 502	History of Modern Assam (1826-1947)
HISHDSE 601	Social and Economic History of Assam
HISHDSE 602	Historiography
HISHDSE 603	History of United States of America c.1776-1945

**GENERIC ELECTIVE (Any Four)**

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
HISGE 1	History of Assam 1228-1826
HISGE 2	History of India from the earliest times to 1526
HISGE 3	History of India 1526-1947
HISGE 4.1	History of Modern Assam (1826-1947)
HISGE 4.2	History of Europe 1453-1815

**Detailed Syllabus  
Core Courses-14  
B.A (Hons), History**

**PAPER I**

**Semester-I**

**Course Code: HISHC101**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA- I**

**Nature of Course: Core**

**Total Marks Assigned: 100 (End marks 80; In marks 20)**

**Course Objective:**

The objective of this course is to analyze the various source materials for the reconstruction of Ancient Indian History and the approaches of historical reconstruction. The students will be acquainted the various ancient cultures, the technological, economic, political and religious development of the period concerned.

**I. Reconstructing Ancient Indian History**

- [a] Archaeological Sources: Numismatic and Epigraphic
- [b] Multiple Literary Sources
- [c] Approaches and interpretations (Colonial, Nationalist and Marxist)

**II. Pre-historic Hunter-Gatherers**

- [a] Paleolithic cultures- sequence and distribution; stone industries and other technological developments.
- [b] Mesolithic cultures- regional and chronological distribution
- [c] Developments in technology and economy; rock art.

**III. The advent of food production**

- [a] Understanding the regional and chronological distribution of the Neolithic Culture
- [b] Chalcolithic cultures
- [c] Subsistence and patterns of exchange

**IV. The Harappan civilization**

- [a] Origins; settlement patterns and town planning; agrarian base; craft productions and trade
- [b] Social and political organization; religious beliefs and practices; art
- [c] 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, ed. *Political History of Ancient India*, Rev.  
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*, Penguin, 2002  
Irfan Habib, *A People's History of India -Vol. -1, Prehistory*  
R.Chakrabarti, *Exploring Early India*, Macmillan, 2013

**Suggested Readings**

- Uma Chakravarti, *The Social Dimensions of Early Buddhism*. 1997.  
Rajan Gurukkal, *Social Formations of Early South India*, 2010.  
R. Champakalakshmi, *Trade. Ideology and urbanization: South India 300 BC- AD 1300*, 1996.

## **PAPER II**

**Semester-I**

**Course Code: HISHC102**

**Course Title: SOCIAL FORMATIONS AND CULTURAL PATTERNS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD**

**Nature of Course:** Core

**Total Marks Assigned:** 100 (End marks 80; In marks 20)

### **Course Objective:**

The students will acquainted with the evolution of humankind, the beginning of food production, the Bronze Age., advent of iron, the slave society in ancient Greece, the economy and the Political culture of the ancient Greece .

### **I. Evolution of Humankind:**

- [a] Paleolithic and Mesolithic cultures.
- [b] Food production: beginnings of agriculture
- [c] Animal husbandry.

### **II. Bronze Age Civilizations:**

Economy, social stratification, state structure and religion.

- [a] Mesopotamia (up to the Akkadian Empire)
- [b] Egypt (old kingdom)
- [c] China (Shang)

### **III. Nomadic groups in Central and West Asia**

- [a] From Bronze to Iron age: Anatolia and Greece
- [b] Minoan Civilization
- [c] Debate on Iron

### **IV. Slave society in Ancient Greece:**

- [a] Origin of Slavery: Slavery in Sparta and Greece
- [b] Debate on Slavery
- [c] Agrarian economy, urbanization, trade.

### **V. Polis in ancient Greece:**

- [a] Development of democracy in Athens and Sparta;
- [b] Concept of citizenship
- [c] Greek Culture-Science and Philosophy, religion, art and architecture

### **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*, Manak Publication, 2002  
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*.  
Rakesh Kumar, *Ancient and Medieval World: From Evolution of Humans to the Crisis of Feudalism*, SAGE, 2018

### **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.

## PAPER III

**Semester-II**

**Course Code: HISHC103**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA II**

**Nature of Course:** Core

**Total Marks Assigned:** 100 (End marks 80; In marks 20)

**Course Objective:**

- (i) The objective of this course is to acquaints the students with agrarian economy, the growth of urban centres in northern and central India and the Deccan as well as craft production, trade routes and coinage
- (ii) Process of state formation and the Mauryan and post-Mauryan polities with special reference to the Kushnas, Satavahanas and Gana-Sanghas.
- (iii) Land grants, land rights and peasantry, urban decline and religious traditions of early India

### **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

[c] 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  
[c] Art and architecture & forms and patronage-The 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*  
D. D. Kosambi, *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History*,  
S. K. Maity, *Economic Life in Northern India in the Gupta Period*,  
B. P. Sahu (ed), *Land System and Rural Society in Early India*,  
K. A. N. Sastri, *A History of South India*.  
R. S. Sharma, *Indian Feudalism*, 1980.  
R.S.Sharma, *Urban Decay in India, c.300-1000*  
Romila Thapar, *Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*, 1997.  
Susan Huntington, *The Art of Ancient India: Buddhist, Hindu, and Jain*  
R.Chakrabarti, *Exploring Early India*, Macmillan, 2013

### **SUGGESTED READINGS**

- N. N. Bhattacharya, *Ancient Indian Rituals and Their Social Contents*  
J. C. Harle, *The Art and Architecture of the Indian Subcontinent*  
P. L. Gupta, *Coins*.  
Kesavan Veluthat, *The Early Medieval in South India*.  
Romila Thapar, *Early India: From the Origins to 1300*.

## PAPER IV

### **Semester-II**

**Course Code: HISHC104**

**Course Title: SOCIAL FORMATIONS AND CULTURAL PATTERNS OF THE  
MEDIEVAL WORLD**

**Nature of Course: Core**

**Total Marks Assigned: 100 (End marks 80 In marks 20)**

### **Course Objective:**

- (i) The learners will be acquainted with the Roman Empire, slave society, the cultural and trade.
- (ii) The learners will be acquainted with the crisis and disintegration of the Roman Empire
- (iii) The learners will be exposed to Economic development in Europe from 7<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> centuries covering production, technological developments, growth of towns and trade and feudal crisis

#### **I. Roman Republic:I**

- [a] Roman Empire
- [b] Slave society and Agrarian economy
- [c] Trade and Urbanization in Roman Empire

#### **II. Roman Republic:II**

- [a] Religion and Culture in Ancient Rome
- [b] Crisis of the Roman Empire
- [c] External Factors of decline of Roman Empire

#### **III. Economic developments in Europe from the 7th to the 14th centuries:**

- [a] Organization of production,
- [b] Towns and trade, technological developments
- [c] Crisis of Feudalism

#### **IV. Religion and culture in medieval Europe:**

- [a]Expansion of Christianity
- [b]Development of the Catholic Church
- [c]Religion, Culture and Society in Medieval Europe

#### **V. Societies in Central Islamic Lands:**

- [a] The Tribal background, Ummah, Caliphate 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.

Rakesh Kumar, *Ancient and Medieval World: From Evolution of Humans to the Crisis of Feudalism*, SAGE, 2018

### **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.

## **Generic Elective (Interdisciplinary Any Four)**

### **PAPER I**

#### **Semester-I**

COURSE CODE: HISGE 1

#### **COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF ASSAM: 1228 –1826**

##### **Objective:**

The objective of this paper is to give a general outline of the history of Assam from the 13<sup>th</sup> century to the occupation of Assam by the English East India Company in the first quarter of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. It aims to acquaint the students with major stages of developments in the political, social and cultural history of the state during the most important formative period.

##### **Unit-1:**

- 1.01 : Sources- Archaeological, Epigraphic, Literary, Numismatic and Accounts of the Foreign Travelers
- 1.02 : Political conditions of the Brahmaputra Valley at the time of the advent of the Ahoms
- 1.03 : Sukapha and his foundation of the kingdom-An assessment
- 1.04 : State formation in the Brahmaputra Valley-the Chutiya, Kachari and the Koch State

##### **Unit-II**

- 2.01 : Expansion of the Ahom Kingdom in the 16<sup>th</sup> century- Conquests of the Neighbouring States and Territories
- 2.02 : Political Developments in the 17<sup>th</sup> century- Reign of Pratap Singha
- 2.03 : Administrative Developments

##### **Unit –III**

- 3.01 : The Ahom-Mughal Relations in the Second half of the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Wars – Mir Jumla's Assam Invasion
- 3.02 : The Battle of Saraighat and its Consequences

3.03 : Post-Saraighat Assam- the Court Crisis and Political Developments- Ascendancy of the Tungkhungia Dynasty

#### **Unit: IV**

4.01 : Ahom Rule at its Zenith- the Reign of Rudra Singha to Rajeswer Singha

4.02 : Decline and fall of the Ahom Kingdom – the Moamariya Rebellion and

4.03 : The Burmese Invasions- The English East India Company and Assam- the Treaty of Yandaboo.

#### **Unit :V**

5.01 : Ahom System of Administration: the State and the Paik system

5.02 : Ahom Policy towards the Neighbouring Hill Tribes

5.03 : Society in Assam under the Ahoms- Caste and Class Structures

5.04 : Religious life –Sankaradeva and the Neo Vaishnavite Movement- Background and Implication

#### **Suggested Readings:**

Barpujari, H.K. : *Assam in the Days of the Company*

Baruah,S.L. : *A Comprehensive History of Assam*

Boruah, Nirode and Surajit Baruah : *Asomar Itihas*

Dutta, A.K. : *Maniram Dewan and the Contemporary Assamese Society*

Gait E.A. : *A History of Assam*

Nath. D : *Asam Buranji*

## PAPER II

### Semester-II

**COURSE CODE:** HISGE 2

**COURSE TITLE:** HISTORY OF INDIA FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES TO 1526

#### **Objective:**

The objective of this paper is to acquaint the students with the general outline of the history of India from the known earliest times to the coming of the Mughals to India in the first quarter of the 16<sup>th</sup> century. It is aimed at giving them a comprehensive idea of the developments in all spheres of life during this period.

#### **Unit I:**

- 1.01: Sources –a Survey
- 1.02: Harappan Civilization –Origin and Extent, Morphology of the Major sites, Salient features, End of the civilization.
- 1.03: Vedic Civilization Society, Economy, Polity and Culture of the Rig-Vedic and the later-Vedic Periods

#### **Unit II:**

- 2.01: Rise of the Territorial States –the *Mahajanapadas*, Geographical Extent,
- 2.02: Ascendancy of Magadha-Alexander’s Invasion of India.
- 2.03: Rise of the Mauryan Empire under Asoka -His Inscriptions –the Dhamma – External Relations
- 2.04: Mauryan System of Administration; Decline of the Mauryan Empire

#### **Unit III:**

- 3.01: Political Developments in the Post-Maurya period - the Sungas, Kanvas, Kushanas and Satavahanas- Society, Economy and Culture
- 3.02: The Tamils and Sangam Age.
- 3.03: The Sakas and the Indo-Greeks in India- their Contributions
- 3.04: India in the Gupta and the Post-Gupta period- Polity, Society, Economy and Culture

#### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01: Political development in the South –the Pallavas, the Imperial Cholas, the Rashtrakutas and the Chalukyas
- 4.02: The Arabs and the Turks in Indian politics –Ghaznavids and the Ghorid Invasions
- 4.03: Indian Society during 650 –1200 A.D.-Literature and Language, Temple Architecture and Sculpture

#### **Unit: V**

- 5.01: The Delhi Sultanate- (a) the Slave dynasty (b) the Khalijis- Alauddin Khaliji's Administration (c) the Tughlaqs –Experiments of Muhammad Bin Tughlaq.
- 5.02: Disintegration of the Delhi Sultanate and Rise of Provincial Kingdoms- Vijayanagar and Bahmani kingdom
- 5.03: Polity, Society, Economy, Religion and Culture of the Sultanate Period, Bhakti Movement and Sufism

#### **Suggested Readings:**

- Barua, P.K : *Bharat Bhuranji*
- Begum, Senehi : *Bharat Buranji, (Dillir Sultan Sakal)*
- Banerjee, A.C. : *History of India*
- Chandra, Satish : *Medieval India*
- Majumdar, Dutta & Raychoudhury : *Advanced History of India*
- Nath, D. : *Bharatar Rajnoitik Aru Sanskritik Buranji.*
- Sinha & Ray : *History of India*
- Spear Percival : *History of India*
- Singh, Upindar : *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India*
- Thapar, Romila : *Ancient India*

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**CORE COURSE (DSC)**

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>
HISGC 101	History of Ancient India
HISGC 201	History of Medieval India
HISGC 301	History of Modern India
HISGC 401	Early and Medieval Assam

**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (DSE- Any Two)**

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>
HISGDSE 1	Rise of Modern West
HISGDSE 2.1	History of Europe (1815-1945)
HISGDSE 2.2	Polity, Society and Economy of Modern Assam (1826-1947)

**GENERIC ELECTIVE (GE)**

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>
HISGE 5	Women in Indian History
HISGE 6	Environmental History

## Core Courses-Discipline Specific Course (DSC) – 4

### Paper I

#### Semester-I

**COURSE CODE: HISGC101**

**COURSE TITLE: History of Ancient India**

**OBJECTIVE:**

The paper intends to acquaint the students with the emergence of state system in north India, the development of imperial state structure, the state formation in the Deccan and in South India in the early period. The paper will apprise the students with the changes and transformations in polity, economy and society in the early period and the cultural interactions of early India with the Southeast Asian Countries.

**Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Indus Civilization – origin, extent, urban planning and urban decline
- 1.02 : Society, polity, economy and religion in the Rig Vedic Period
- 1.03 : Society, polity, economy and religion in the Later Vedic Period

**Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Rise of territorial states– Janapadas and Mahajanapadas
- 2.02 : Rise of new religious movements in north India- Jainism and Buddhism – social dimension of early Jainism and Buddhism
- 2.03 : Development of Buddhism and Jainism

**Unit III :**

- 3.01 : The Mauryas - Background of Mauryan State Formation
- 3.02 : Asoka ; Dhamma- its propagation; Administration and Economy under the Mauryas
- 3.03 : Decline of the Mauryas
- 3.04 : Post–Mauryan period-The Sungas and Chedis

**Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : Central Asian contact and its Impact: The Indo-Greeks, Sakas and Kushanas

4.02 : The Gupta Empire- State and Administration; Gupta Economy -agrarian and Revenue system

4.03 : North India: Vardhanas, The Gurjaras, Pratiharas and Palas

4.04 : Feudal Economy and Society in the Post Gupta Period

**Unit: V**

5.01 : Sangam Age- Literature, Society and Culture in South India.

5.02 : State Formation in Deccan and South India – Satavahanas and Early States in South India

5.03 : The Pallavas and Chalukyas ,

5.03 : Cholas: Economy, Society and Polity in the Chola Period

**Suggested Readings:**

Boruah, Nirode, and Surajeet Baruah : *Pracin Bharatar Itihas*

Habib, I : *Pre History (Peoples History of India), Vol. I*

———, : *The Indus Civilization, People’s History of India Vol.II*

Habib & Thakur : *The Vedic Age (Peoples History of India), Vol. III,*

Habib and Jha : *Mauryan India (Peoples History of India), Vol. IV,*

Jha, D.N. : *Ancient India*

———, : *Early India*

Majumdar, R.C. : *Ancient India*

Majumdar, Raychoudary & Dutta : *An Advanced History of India*

Nath, D : *Bharatar Rajnaitik Aru Sanskritik Buranji*

Romila Thapar : *A History of India, Vol. I*

Sharma ,R. S : *Perspectives in Social & Economic History of Early India*

Sing, Upinder : *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India*

## Paper II

### Semester-II

**COURSE CODE: HISGC201**

**COURSE TITLE: History of Medieval India**

#### **Objective:**

The Objective of the Paper is to acquaint the pupils with political development in India between 1200-1750. It requires the pupils to understand the States in Medieval Times, Administrative apparatus and society, economy and culture of India in Pre-Modern Period.

#### **Unit I :**

- 1.01 : Foundation and Consolidation of the Sultanate; Iltutmish, Sultana Razia , Balban and the Mongol Invasions
- 1.02 : Expansion of Sultanate:Khalijis –Alauddin Khalji ; Conquests, Administration and Economic Policies
- 1.03 : Tughlaqs- Muhammad bin Tughlaq and Firoz Shah Tughlaq

#### **Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Decline of the Sultanate and Rise of Provincial Kingdoms: Timur’s invasion, Vijaynagar and Bahmani Kingdom
- 2.02 : State and Administration - Political and Revenue Administration
- 2.03 : Aspects of society and economy during the Sultanate Period-Agriculture, Trade and Commerce

#### **Unit III:**

- 3.01 : Foundation of the Mughal Empire: Mughal-Afghan Contest
- 3.02 : Consolidation and territorial Expansion of the Mughal Empire
- 3.03 : Mughal-Rajput Relations.
- 3.04 : Religious Policy of the Mughals

#### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : Rise of The Marathas under Shivaji- His Administration
- 4.02 : Disintegration of the Mughal Empire

- 4.03 : Mughal Administration and Institutions: Administrative Structure, Land Revenue System, *Mansabdari* and *Jagirdari* System
- 4.04 : Aspects of society and economy during the Mughal period- Agriculture, Trade and Commerce

#### **Unit V:**

- 5.01 : Bhakti Movement : Nanak, Kabir, Dadu, Chaitanya and Mirabai
- 5.02 : Sufism : Different *Silsilahs*
- 5.03 : Art and Architecture in the Sultanate and Mughal Period.

#### **Suggested Readings**

- Asraf, K.M : *Life and Conditions of the People of Hindusthan*
- Barua, P.K. and T. A. Hussain : *Bharat Buranji*
- Chandra Satis : *Medieval India from Sultanat to the Mughals*, Vols. I, II
- Chitnis K.N. : *Socio Economic History of Medieval India*
- Habib, Irfan : *Agrarian System of Mughal Empire*
- Habib, M & Nizami : *Comprehensive History of India*, Vol.V
- Mehta, J.L. : *Advanced Study in History of Medieval India*, Vol. I & II
- Majumdar, R.C. (ed) : *The History and Culture of the Indian People*, Vols. VI
- Nizami, K.A. : *Studies in Medieval Indian History and Culture*
- Rashid, A : *Society and Culture in medieval India*
- Rizvi,S.A.A. : *The Wonder that was India*, Part-II
- Tripathy, R. P. : *Rise and fall of the Mughal Empire*



PAPER-V

**Course Code: HISHC105**

**Course Code: HISTORY OF INDIA III (c. 750 -1206)**

**I. Studying Early Medieval India:**

- (a) Historical Geography
- (b) Sources: Texts, Epigraphic and Numismatic
- (c) Rise of the Rajputs and the nature of the State
- (d) Rashtrakutas, Palas, Pratiharas

**II. Political Structures:**

- (a) Evolution of political structures; Cholas: state and administration
- (b) Legitimization of kingship; Brahmanas and Temples; Royal Genealogies and Rituals
- (c) Arab conquest of Sindh: nature and impact of the new set-up; Ismaili dawah
- (d) Causes and consequences of early Turkish invasions: Mahmud of Ghazna; Shahab-ud-Din of Ghaur

**III. Agrarian Structure and Social Change:**

- (a) Agricultural expansion, crops
- (b) Landlords, Peasants and tribes
- (c) Proliferation of Castes; status of Untouchables
- (d) Debates on Indian feudalism

**IV. Trade and Commerce:**

- (a) Inter-regional Trade
- (b) Maritime Trade
- (c) Forms of Exchange
- (d) Process of Urbanization
- (e) Merchant guilds of South India

**V. Religious and Cultural Developments:**

- (a) Tantrism, Puranic traditions; Buddhism and Jainism
- (b) Islamic intellectual traditions: Al-Biruni; Al-Hujwiri
- (c) Regional Languages and Literature
- (d) Art and Architecture: Evolution of Regional Styles

**ESSENTIAL READINGS**

- R.S. Sharma, Indian Feudalism (circa 300 - 1200).  
B.D. Chattopadhyaya, The Making of Early Medieval India.  
R.S. Sharma and K.M. Shrimali, eds, Comprehensive History of India, Vol. IV (A & B).  
Mohammad Habib and K.A. Nizami, eds, Comprehensive History of

India, Vol. V, The Delhi Sultanate

Hermann Kulke, ed., The State in India (AD 1000 - AD 1700).

N. Karashima, South Indian History and Society (Studies from Inscriptions, AD 850 -1800

Derryl N. Maclean, Religion and Society in Arab Sindh.

Irfan Habib, Medieval India: The Study of a Civilization.

### **SUGGESTED READINGS**

Richard Davis Lives of Indian Images.

Romila Thapar, Somanatha: The Many Voices of a History.

John S. Deyell, Living Without Silver: The Monetary History of Early Medieval North India.

Vijaya Ramaswamy, Walking Naked: Women, Society, and Spirituality in South India.

Burton Stein, Peasant State and Society in Medieval South India.

R. Champakalakshmi, Trade, Ideology and Urbanization: South India, 300 BC to 1300 AD.

Al. Beruni's India, NBT edition.

Ali Hujwiri, Kashful Mahjoob, tr. R.Nicholson.

S C Mishra, Rise of Muslim Communities in Gujarat.

## PAPER VI

**Course Code: HISHC106**

**Course Title: RISE OF THE MODERN WEST - I**

### **I.**

- (a) Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism: Problems and Theories
- (b) Early Colonial Expansion: Motives, Voyages and Explorations
- (c) The Conquests of the Americas: Beginning of the era of Colonization; Mining and Plantation
- (d) The African Slaves.

### **II.**

- (a) Renaissance: its Social Roots
- (b) City-states of Italy
- (c) Spread of Humanism in Europe
- (d) Renaissance Art.

### **III.**

- (a) Origins and social background of Reformation
- (b) Martin Luther, John Calvin, Huldrych Zwingli
- (c) Anglicanism
- (d) Impact of Reformation and Counter-Reformation

### **IV.**

- (a) Economic developments of the sixteenth century: Shift of economic balance from the Mediterranean to the Atlantic
- (b) Commercial Revolution
- (c) Influx of American Silver
- (d) The Price Revolution.

### **V.**

- (a) Emergence of European State System, Thirty Years War and Rise of Absolutism
- (b) Absolutism in Spain
- (c) Absolutism in France
- (d) Absolutism in England
- (e) Absolutism in Russia.

### **ESSENTIAL READINGS**

T.S. Aston and C. H. E. Philpin (eds.), *The Brenner Debate*

H. Butterfield, *The Origins of Modern Science.*

Carlo M. Cipolla, *Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vols. II and*

*III.* Carlo M. Cipolla, *Before the Industrial Revolution, European Society and Economy. 1000 -1700. 3rd ed. (1993)*

D. C. Coleman (ed.), *Revisions in Mercantilism.*

Ralph Davis, *The Rise of the Atlantic Economics.*

Maurice Dobb, *Studies in the Development of Capitalism*.  
J. R. Hale, *Renaissance Europe*.  
R. Hall, *From Galileo to Newton*.  
Christopher Hill, *A Century of Revolutions*.  
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H. G. Koenigsberger and G. L. Mosse, *Europe in the Sixteenth Century*.  
Stephen J. Lee, *Aspects of European History, 1494 - 1789*.  
G. Parker, *Europe in Crisis. 1598- 1648*.  
G. Parker and L. M. Smith, *General Crisis of the Seventeenth Century*.  
J. H. Parry, *The Age of Reconnaissance*.  
Meenaxi Phukan, *Rise of the Modern West: Social and Economic History of Early Modern Europe*.  
V. Poliensiky, *War and Society in Europe, 1618 - 48*.  
Theodore K. Rabb, *The Struggle for Stability in Early Modern Europe*.  
V. Scammell, *The First Imperial Age: European Overseas Expansion, 1400 - 1715*.  
Jan de Vries, *Economy of Europe in an Age of Crisis 1600-1750*.

## PAPER VII

**Course Code: HISHC107**

PAPER VII: HISTORY OF INDIA IV (c.1206 - 1550)

### **I. Interpreting the Delhi Sultanate: Survey of sources:**

- (a) Persian *tarikh* tradition ( Hasan Nizami's Taj-ul maasir, Minhaj-i Siraj Juzjani's Tabqat-i Nasiri, Ziauddin Barani's Tarikh-i Feroz shahi and Fatwa-i Jahandari)
- (b) Vernacular histories: *Virgatha* tradition and *Premakhyans* (Chand Bardai's *Prthviraj Raso*, Malik Muhammad Jayasi's *Padmavat*)
- (c) Epigraphy and numismatic

### **II. Sultanate Political Structures:**

- (a) Foundation, expansion and consolidation of the Sultanate of Delhi: The Khaljis and the Tughluqs; Mongol threat and Timur's invasion;
- (c) The Lodis: Conquest of Bahlul and Sikandar; Ibrahim Lodi and the battle of Panipat
- (b) Theories of kingship: Ruling elites; Sufis, ulema and the political authority; imperial monuments and coinage

### **III. Emergence of provincial Dynasties:**

- (a) Vijaynagar and Bahmani
- (b) Bengal
- (c) Consolidation of regional identities through art, architecture and literature

### **IV. Society and Economy:**

- (a) Agricultural production; technology, *Iqta* and the revenue-free grants
- (b) Nature of rural society: village community and rural gentry
- (c) Trade and commerce: Monetization; market regulations; growth of urban centers; Inland and maritime trade

### **V. Religion, Society and Culture:**

- (a) Sufis and Sufism: doctrines and practices; Silsilas: Chishtis and Suhrawardis; social roles
- (b) Bhakti movements and monotheistic traditions in South and North India; Nathpanthis, Kabir, Nanak and the Sant tradition, Women Bhaktas (Meera, Lal Ded) ,

(c) Sufi literature; Bhakti movements and Vernacular literature

#### ESSENTIAL READINGS

Mohammad Habib and K.A. Nizami, eds, Comprehensive History of India, Vol. V,

The Delhi Sultanate. Satish Chandra, Medieval India I.

Peter Jackson, The Delhi Sultanate.

Catherine Asher and Cynthia Talbot, India Before Europe.

Tapan Raychaudhuri and Irfan Habib, eds, Cambridge Economic History of India, Vol. I.

K.A. Nizami, Religion and Politics in the Thirteenth Century.

W.H. McLeod, Karine Schomer, et al, Eds, The Sants.

S.A.A. Rizvi, A History of Sufism in India, Vol. I.

Mohibul Hasan, Historians of Medieval India.

#### SUGGESTED READINGS

Cynthia Talbot, Pre-colonial India in Practice.

Simon Digby, War Horses and Elephants in the Delhi Sultanate.

I.H. Siddiqui, Afghan Despotism.

Burton Stein, New Cambridge History of India: Vijayanagara.

Richard M. Eaton, ed., India's Islamic Traditions.

-----, India in the Persianate Age 1000\_1765

Vijaya Ramaswamy, Walking Naked: Women, Society, and Spirituality in South India.

Sheldon Pollock, Languages of the Gods in the World of Men.

Pushpa Prasad, Sanskrit Inscriptions of the Delhi Sultanate.

Andre Wink, Al-Hind, Vols. I-III.

## **PAPER VIII**

**Course Code: HISHC108**

**Course Title: RISE OF THE MODERN WEST - II**

### **I.**

- (a) Agriculture and Industry in Europe in the 17<sup>th</sup> century
- (b) 17<sup>th</sup> century European crisis: economic dimensions
- (c) Political and social dimension of the 17<sup>th</sup> century European crisis
- (d) Impact of the 17<sup>th</sup> century crisis on Italy, France, Spain and England

### **II.**

- (a) Origin of English Civil war
- (b) Major issues in Civil War
- (c) Restoration and aftermath
- (d) Religious settlement and land settlement

### **III.**

- (a) Rise of Modern Science: Scientific Revolution (From Renaissance to 18<sup>th</sup> century)
- (b) Mercantilism: development of mercantile thought in the 17<sup>th</sup> century
- (c) Colonial policies in European states: Portuguese, Spanish, French and English

### **IV.**

- (a) Development of Enlightenment
- (b) Enlightened Despotism in Europe
- (c) Russia, Austria and Prussia

### **V.**

- (a) Origin and development of American Revolution
- (b) Political and economic issues of American Revolution
- (c) Economy and Society in Europe in 18<sup>th</sup> Century: Netherlands, France and England

### **ESSENTIAL READINGS**

T.S. Aston and C.H.E. Philpin (eds.), *The Brenner Debate*.

H. Butterfield, *The Origins of Modern Science*.

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Peter Kriedte, Peasants, Landlords and Merchant Capitalists.  
J. Lynch, Spain under the Hapsburgs.  
Peter Mathias, First Industrial revolution.  
Harry Miskimin, The Economy of Later Renaissance Europe: 1460-1600.  
Charles A. Nauert, Humanism and the Culture of the Renaissance (1996).  
The New Cambridge Modern History of Europe, Vols. I - VII.  
L. W. Owie, Seventeenth Century Europe.  
D. H. Pennington, Seventeenth Century Europe.  
F. Rice, The Foundations of Early Modern Europe

**Course Code: HISHC109**

PAPER IX: HISTORY OF INDIA V (c. 1550 - 1605)

**I. Sources and Historiography:**

- (a) Persian Sources (*Tuzuk-i Babari, Humayunnama, Akbarnama and Ain-i Akbari, Munthakhab-ul Tawarikh*)
- (b) Vernacular literary traditions (*bakhar, buranji*)
- (c) Modern Interpretations

**II. Establishment of Mughal rule:**

- (a) India on the eve of Babur's invasion and establishment of the Mughal rule under Babur; Military technology and warfare (use of firearms)
- (b) Humayun's struggle for empire
- (c) Sher Shah, his administrative and revenue reforms

**III. Consolidation of Mughal rule under Akbar:**

- (a) Campaigns and conquests: Mughal- Rajput diplomacy, annexations in North-West frontier, Conquest of Bengal
- (b) Evolution of administrative institutions and apparatus: *zabt, mansab, jagir, madad-i-maash*
- (c) Revolts and resistance

**IV. Society and Economy:**

- (a) Land rights and revenue system; Zamindars and peasants; rural tensions
- (b) Extension of agriculture; agricultural production; crop patterns
- (c) Trade routes and patterns of internal commerce; overseas trade

**V. Political and religious ideals:**

- (a) Religion and the State: theory and practice (Divine theory of Kingship)
- (b) Religious tolerance and *sulh-i-kul; Din-i Ilahi*
- (c) Sufi mystical and intellectual interventions and pressure from the *ulema*

## ESSENTIAL READINGS

Richard M. Eaton, India in the Persianate Age 1000\_1765

Salma Ahmed Farooqui, A Comprehensive History of Medieval India

Muzaffar Alam and Sanjay Subramanian, eds, The Mughal State, 1526 - 1750.

J.F. Richards, The Mughal Empire.

Satish Chandra, Essays on Medieval Indian History.

-----, Medieval India, Vol 2

Irfan Habib, Agrarian System of Mughal India, 1526 û 1707.

Ashin Dasgupta, Indian Merchants and the Decline of Surat, 1700 - 1750.

Ebba Koch, Mughal Art and Imperial Ideology.

## SUGGESTED READINGS

S. Nurul Hasan, Religion, State, and Society in Medieval India.

S. Arsaratnam, Maritime India in the Seventeenth Century.

Catherine Asher, Architecture of Mughal India.

Satish Chandra, Parties and Politics at the Mughal Court.

Andre Wink, Land and Sovereignty in India.

Harbans Mukhia, The Mughals of India.

PAPER X: HISTORY OF INDIA VI (c. 1605 - 1750s)

**I. Sources:**

- (a) Persian Sources: (Tuzuk-i Jahangiri, Padshahnama, Maasir-i Alamgiri)
- (b) Vernacular sources: *bhakhara*, *buranji*, Banarasidas's *Ardhakathanaka*
- (c) Travelogues : Francois Bernier, Nicolo Manucci, Tavernier, Thomas Roe)

**II. Political Culture under Jahangir and Shah Jahan:**

- (a) Consolidation and expansion of Empire
- (b) Extension of Mughal rule: changes in *mansab* and *jagir* systems
- (c) Orthodoxy and syncretism - Naqshbandi Sufis, Miyan Mir, Dara Shukoh, Sarmad

**III. Mughal Empire under Aurangzeb and after:**

- (a) State and religion under Aurangzeb: the war of succession; policies regarding Religious groups and nobility.
- (b) Emergence of successor states: Awadh, Bengal, Emergence of the Marathas- Shivaji and expansion under the Peshwas
- (c) Interpreting eighteenth century India: recent debates

**IV. Visual Culture:**

- (a) Paintings : Mughal Miniatures and Regional style of painting: Pahari, Rajput, *pattachitra*
- (b) Architecture: Mughal Imperial style
- (c) Regional style (Bengal and Awadh)

**V. Trade and Commerce:**

- (a) Crafts and technologies; Monetary system
- (b) Markets; urban centres
- (c) Inland trade and maritime trade, trading communities
- (d) Beginning of the European Settlements in India—the Portuguese—the Dutch—the French and the English.

ESSENTIAL READINGS

Richard M. Eaton, India in the Persianate Age 1000\_1765

Salma Ahmed Farooqui, A Comprehensive History of Medieval India

M. Athar Ali, The Mughal Nobility under Aurangzeb.

Muzaffar Alam and Sanjay Subramanian, eds, The Mughal State, 1526 - 1750.

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Ashin Dasgupta, Indian Merchants and the Decline of Surat, 1700 - 1750.

Stewart Gordon, The Marathas 1600 - 1818.

Ebba Koch, Mughal Art and Imperial Ideology.

S.A.A. Rizvi, Muslim Revivalist Movements in Northern India.

K. R. Qanungo, Dara Shikoh.

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S. Arsatnam, Maritime India in the Seventeenth Century.

Muzaffar Alam, The Crisis of Empire in Mughal North India.

Catherine Asher, Architecture of Mughal India.

Milo Beach, Mughal and Rajput Paintings.

Satish Chandra, Parties and Politics at the Mughal Court.

Andre Wink, Land and Sovereignty in India.

Harbans Mukhia, The Mughals of India.

J.F. Richards, Mughal Administration in Golconda.

Z.U. Malik, The Reign of Muhammad Shah.

Iqbal Husain, Ruhela Cheiftancies in 18th Century India.

### **PAPER III**

**COURSE CODE: HISGE 3**

**COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF INDIA: 1526 - 1947**

#### **Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Political Conditions in Northern India in the beginning of the 16<sup>th</sup> century- The Afghan Empire and the Mughals- Resistance vs. Struggle for Hegemony.
- 1.02 : The Age of the Mughals- Foundation of the Mughal Empire- Humayun and His struggle- Conflict with Sher Shah
- 1.03 : Akbar to Aurangzeb- Political Supremacy and Administrative Developments

#### **Unit II:**

- 2.01 : The later Mughals and the Decline of the Mughal Empire
- 2.02 : Rise of the Marathas in the Deccan- Sivaji and His career
- 2.03 : Society, Economy, Religion and Culture under the Mughals
- 2.04 : Beginning of the European Settlements in India—the Portuguese –the Dutch –the French and the English.

#### **Unit III:**

- 3.01 : British Conquests of India –British occupation of Bengal, Anglo-French rivalry-the Battle of Plassey and its effects
- 3.02 : Expansion and consolidation of the British rule in India up to 1857-Conflict with the Marathas, Mysore, Awadh, Punjab and Sindh.
- 3.03 : Administrative Developments and Socio-Economic Reform up to 1857

#### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : Revolt of 1857 and its Aftermath, Post 1857 Administrative Developments till 1919
- 4.02 : Socio-religious reform movements in the post 1857 period

- 4.03 : Growth of the Press, Rise of National Consciousness; Formation of Indian National Congress
- 4.04 : Freedom Struggle up to 1919 –Partition of Bengal and the Swadeshi Movement, Home Rule League, Rise of Muslim Politics

**Unit V:**

- 5.01 : Freedom Struggle from 1919 to 1939 - Gandhi in Indian Politics–Khilafat and Non-Cooperation Movement -Civil Disobedience Movement
- 5.02 : Government of India Act, 1935; Ambedkar and Anti Untouchability Movements
- 5.03 : Rise of Communalism, Revolutionary Extremism, Trade Union and Labour Movements, Leftist Politics.
- 5.04 : Cripps Mission –Quit India Movement-Second World War-INA
- 5.05 : Post-War Development –Cabinet Mission and Transfer of Power

**Suggested Readings:**

- Bandyopadhyaya, Sekhar : *From Plassey to Partition A History of Modern India*
- Chandra, B, Mukherjee, M and et, al : *India's Struggle for Independence*
- Chandra, B : *The Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India.*
- Desai, A. R : *Social Background of Indian Nationalism*
- Fisher, Micheal : *The Politics of the British Annexation of India, 1757 – 1857,*
- Gopal, S : *The British Policy in India, 1858-1905*
- Grewal, J. S : *The Sikhs of the Punjab*
- Grover B.L & Grover, S : *A New Look at Modern Indian History*
- Jones, K.W : *Socio-Religious Reform Movements in British India*

**Course Code: HISGE 4.1**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF MODERN ASSAM: 1826 –1947**

**Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Political Condition in Assam on the Eve of the British rule.

- 1.02 : Establishment and Consolidation of the British rule – Reforms and Reorganizations - David Scott, Jenkins and Robertson – Annexation of Lower Assam, Administrative Reorganization and Revenue Measures
- 1.03 : Ahom Monarchy in Upper Assam (1833-38)
- 1.04 : Early phase of Revolts and Resistance to British rule- Gomdhar Konwar, Piyali Phukan, U.Tirut Singh

**Unit: II**

- 2.01 : Annexation of Cachar
- 2.02 : The Khamti and the Singpho Rebellion
- 2.03 : The 1857 Revolt in Assam and its Aftermath.
- 2.04 : Establishment of Chief Commissionership in Assam

**Unit: III**

- 3.01 : Land Revenue Measures and Peasant Uprisings in 19<sup>th</sup> century Assam
- 3.02 : Growth of National Consciousness – Assam Association, Sarbajanik Sabhas, and the Ryot Sabhas
- 3.03 : Impact of Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement in Assam.
- 3.04 : Assamese periodicals and Emergence of Linguistic Consciousness

**Unit :IV**

- 4.01 : Government of India Act, 1919 – Dyarchy on Trial in Assam.
- 4.02 : Non Co-operation Movement and Swarajist Politics in Assam
- 4.03 : The Civil Disobedience Movement
- 4.04 : Student Movement in Assam
- 4.05 : Tribal League and Politics in Assam

**Unit: V**

- 5.01 : Trade Union and Allied Movements

- 5.02 : Congress and Provincial Politics in Assam
- 5.02 : Migration, Line System and its Impact on Politics in Assam
- 5.03 : Quit India Movement in Assam and Impact of World War II.
- 5.04 : Cabinet Mission Plan and the Grouping Controversy, the Sylhet Referendum.

**Suggested Readings:**

Barpujari, H. K : *Assam in the Days of the Company.*

—————, : (ed) *Francis Jenkins Report on the North- East Frontier of India.*

—————, : (ed) *Political History of Assam, Vol. I.*

—————, : (ed) *The Comprehensive History of Assam, Vols. IV & V.*

Baruah, S. L. : *A Comprehensive History of Assam.*

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Bora .S. : *Student Revolution in Assam.*

Dutta, Anuradha : *Assam in the Freedom Movement.*

Guha, Amalendu : *Planters Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam.*

Lahiri, R.M : *Annexation of Assam*

## **PAPER IV**

**COURSE CODE:** HISGE 4.2

**COURSE TITLE:** HISTORY OF EUROPE: 1453-1815

### **Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Renaissance- meaning -background-impacts
- 1.02 : Reformation- origin, courses and consequences; Counter Reformation
- 1.03 : The Thirty Years War- causes and consequences

### **Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Colonial Expansion in the 15<sup>th</sup> –16<sup>th</sup> centuries – Causes, Extent and Implication
- 2.02 : Commercial Revolution in Europe
- 2.03 : Absolute monarchy in Europe- Spain, France, England and Russia
- 2.04 : The Glorious Revolution –Background and results

### **Unit III:**

- 3.01 : The Scientific Revolution in the 16<sup>th</sup> –17<sup>th</sup> centuries - extent, nature and results
- 3.02 : Mercantilism and European Economy during 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries
- 3.03 : Enlightenment in Europe – its Impact; Enlightened Despotism in Europe – Russia, Prussia and Austria

### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : American War of Independence- Political and Economic Issues and Significance
- 4.03 : The Industrial Revolution in Europe- causes and significance
- 4.04 : Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism

### **Unit: V**

- 5.01 : The French Revolution- Causes, Courses and Significance
- 5.02 : Napoleon Bonaparte- internal and external policies- downfall of Napoleon Bonaparte
- 5.03 : The Congress of Vienna and Europe in 1815.

## **SUGGESTED READINGS**

M. S. Anderson, Europe in the Eighteenth Century.  
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L. W. Owie, Seventeenth Century Europe.  
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## **Paper III**

**COURSE CODE: HISGC301**

**COURSE TITLE: History of Modern India**

### **Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Decline and the Disintegration of the Mughal Empire and the Growth of Regional Powers
- 1.02 : Eighteenth Century Debate in Indian History
- 1.02 : The Battle of Plassey and the Battle of Buxar - the Establishment of the British Rule in India.
- 1.03 : Robert Clive- Dual Administration in Bengal.

### **Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Expansion and Consolidation of the British Rule under Warren Hastings and Lord Cornwallis
- 2.02 : British relations with the Marathas and Mysore
- 2.03 : Lord Wellesley and the Policy of Subsidiary Alliance
- 2.04 : Lord Hastings and the relations with the Indian States

### **Unit III:**

- 3.01 : Lord Bentinck-His Reforms; Raja Ram Mohan Roy and the Growth of Progressive Ideas in India
- 3.02 : The Growth and expansion of Sikh power under Ranjit Singh
- 3.03 : Lord Dalhousie and his policy of expansion- the Doctrine of Lapse
- 3.04 : The Revolt of 1857- Causes and Consequences, the Government of India Act of 1858

### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : The British Economic Policy in India – Land Revenue, Trade, Commercialization of Agriculture, the Drain Theory
- 4.02 : Growth of the Press and Rise of National Consciousness, Socio Religious Reform Movements
- 4.04 : Establishment of the Indian National Congress, Moderate Phase of Indian National Congress
- 4.05 : Lord Curzon and the Partition of Bengal – the Swadeshi Movement in India – Growth of Revolutionary Extremism

### **Unit V:**

- 5.02 : Gandhi in Indian politics- the Khilafat and the Non Co-operation Movement, the Civil Disobedience Movement
- 5.03 : The growth of the Left, Muslim League and Communal politics in India
- 5.04 : Ambedkar and Anti Untouchability Movements, Peasant and Labour Movements
- 5.04 : The Quit India Movement – The INA and Partition of India.

### **Suggested Readings:**

- Bandyopadhyaya, Sekhar : *From Plassey to Partition A History of Modern India*
- Chandra, B, Mukherjee, M and et, al : *India's Struggle for Independence*
- Chandra, B : *The Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India*
- Desai, A. R : *Social Background of Indian Nationalism*

Fisher, Micheal	: <i>The Politics of the British Annexation of India, 1757 – 1857,</i>
Gopal, S	: <i>The British Policy in India, 1858-1905</i>
Grewal, J. S	: <i>The Sikhs of the Punjab</i>
Gordon, Stuart	: <i>The Marathas</i>
Grover B.L & Grover, S	: <i>A New Look at Modern Indian History</i>
Jones, K.W	: <i>Socio-Religious Reform Movements in British India,</i>
Majumdar, R.C	: (ed) <i>British Paramountcy and the Indian Renaissance</i>
Sarkar, Sumit	: <i>Modern India, 1885 – 1947</i>

### **Paper IV**

**COURSE CODE: HISGC401**

**COURSE TITLE: EARLY AND MEDIEVAL ASSAM TILL 1826**

**Unit 1:**

- 1.01 : Sources: Archaeological, Numismatic, Epigraphy, Literary Sources
- 1.02 : State Formation in Early Assam
- 1.03 : Varmana, Salastambha and Pala dynasty

**Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Ahom State Formation and its Consolidation
- 2.02 : State Formation in the Brahmaputra Valley-the Chutiya, Kachari, the Koch States and Bara-Bhuyans
- 2.03 : Expansion of the Ahom Kingdom in the 16<sup>th</sup> century
- 2.04 : Political Developments in the 17<sup>th</sup> century, Ahom-Mughal Conflict

**Unit III:**

- 3.01 : Tribal Kingdoms and Chiefdoms in Lower Assam region-their relations with the Ahom State
- 3.02 : Post-Saraighat Assam, the Court crisis and Political Developments
- 3.03 : Ascendancy of the Tungkhungia Dynasty

3.04 : Ahom Rule at its zenith

#### **Unit: IV**

4.01 : Decline of the Ahom Kingdom, the Moamariya Rebellion

4.02 : The Burmese Invasions

4.03 : The English East India Company in Assam Politics- the Treaty of Yandaboo, 1826

#### **Unit :V**

5.01 : The Ahom System of Administration-the *Paik* and the *Khel* system,

5.02: Ahom Policy towards the Neighbouring Tribes- the systems of *Duar*, *Posa*, *Khat* and *Pam* .

5.03: Ahom Relations with the States of Manipur and Tripura

5.04: Bhakti Movement in Assam : Sankardeva, Satra Institutions

#### **Suggested Readings:**

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Baruah,S.L.: *A Comprehensive History of Assam*

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Bhuyan, S.K. : *Anglo-Assamese Relations(1771-1826)*

Devi,L. : *Ahom-Tribal Relations*

Gogoi, L. : *A History of the System of Ahom Administration*

Nath, D. : *History of the Koch Kingdom*

## **Paper XI**

**Course Code: HISHC1011**

**Course Title: History of Modern Europe- I (c. 1780-1919)**

### **I. The French Revolution and its European Repercussions**

- [a] Crisis of Ancient Regime
- [b] Intellectual Currents, Social Classes and Emerging Gender Relations.
- [c] Phases of the French Revolution 1789 - 99.
- [d] Art and Culture of French Revolution.
- [f] Napoleonic Consolidation - Reform and Empire.

### **II. Restoration and Revolution: c. 1815 - 1848**

- [a] Forces of Conservatism and Restoration of Old Hierarchies.
- [b] Social, Political and Intellectual Currents.
- [c] Revolutionary and Radical movements, 1830
- [d] Revolutionary and Radical movements, 1848

### **III Capitalist Industrialization and Social and Economic Transformation: Late 18th century to AD 1914**

- [a] Industrial Revolution: Origin and Background
- [b] Process of Capitalist development in Industry and Agriculture: Case Studies of Britain, France, the German States and Russia.
- [c] Evolution and Differentiation of Social classes: Bourgeoisie, Proletariat, Land Owning Classes and Peasantry.
- [d] Changing Trends in Demography and Urban patterns.

### **IV. Varieties of Nationalism and the Remaking of States in the 19th and 20th Centuries.**

- [a] Intellectual currents, popular movements and the formation of National identities in Germany, Italy, Ireland and the Balkans.
- [b] Specificities of Economic Development, Political and Administrative Reorganization - Italy
- [c] Specificities of Economic Development, Political and Administrative Reorganization - Germany

### **V. World War I :**

- [a] Growth of Power Blocks, Militarism and Alliances in Europe in late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century
- [b] Balkan Wars
- [c] First World War: Background

## **ESSENTIAL READINGS**

Gerald Brennan: *The Spanish Labyrinth: An Account of the Social and Political Background of the Civil War.*  
C.M. Cipolla: *Fontana Economic History of Europe, Volume III: The Industrial Revolution.*  
Norman Davies: *Europe: A History*  
J. Evans: *The Foundations of a Modern State in 19th Century Europe.*  
T.S. Hamerow: *Restoration, Revolution and Reaction: Economics and Politics in Germany*  
E.J. Hobsbawm: *The Age of Revolution.*  
Lynn Hunt: *Politics, Culture and Class in the French Revolution.*  
James Joll: *Europe Since 1870.*  
David Landes: *Prometheus Unbound.*  
George Lefebvre: *Coming of the French Revolution.*  
George Lichtheim : *A Short History of Socialism.*  
Peter Mathias: *First Industrial Revolution.*  
Alec Nove: *An Economic History of the USSR.*  
Andrew Porter: *European Imperialism, 1876-1914*  
Anthony Wood: *History of Europe, 1815-1960*  
Stuart Woolf: *History of Italy, 1700 - 1860.*

## **SUGGESTED READINGS**

G. Barrowclough, *An Introduction to Contemporary History.*  
Fernand Braudel, *History and the Social Science* in M. Aymard and H. Mukhia Ed. *French Studies in History, Vol. I (1989).*  
Maurice Dobb: *Soviet Economic Development Since 1917.*  
M. Perrot and G. Duby [eds.]: *A History of Women in the West, Volumes 4 and 5.*  
H.J. Hanham; *Nineteenth Century Constitution, 1815 - 1914.*  
E.J. Hobsbawm, *Nations and Nationalism.*  
Charles and Barbara Jelavich: *Establishment of the Balkan National States, 1840 û 1920.*  
James Joll, *Origins of the First World war (1989).*  
Jaon B. Landes: *Women and the Public Sphere in the Age of the French Revolution.*  
David lowenthal, *The Past is a Foreign Country.*  
Colin Licas: *The French Revolution and the Making of Modern Political Culture, Volume*  
Nicholas Mansergh: *The Irish Question, 1840 û 1921.*  
K.O. Morgan: *Oxford Illustrated History of Britain, Volume 3 [1789 -1983].*  
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N.V. Riasanovsky: *A History of Russia.*  
J.M. Robert, *Europe 1880 û 1985.*  
J.J. Roth (ed.), *World War I : A Turning Point in Modern History.*  
Albert Soboul: *History of the French Revolution (in two volumes).*  
Lawrence Stone, *History and the Social Sciences in the Twentieth Century The Past and the Present (1981).*  
Dorothy Thompson: *Chartists: Popular Politics in the Industrial Revolution.*  
E.P. Thompson: *Making of the English Working Class.*  
Michel Vovelle, *fall of the French Monarchy.*

## PAPER XII

**Course Code: HISHC1012**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA VII (c. 1750 - 1857)**

### **I. India in the Mid-18th Century:**

- [a] Society, Economy, Polity, Debates
- [b] Expansion and Consolidation of Colonial Power:
- [c] Mercantilism, Foreign Trade and Early Forms of Exactions from Bengal.
- [d] Dynamics of Expansion, with special reference to Bengal, Mysore, Western India, Awadh, Punjab, and Sind.

### **II. Colonial State and Ideology:**

- [a] Arms of the Colonial State: Army, Police, Law.
- [b] Ideologies of the Raj and Racial Attitudes.
- [c] Education: Indigenous and Modern.

### **III. Rural Economy and Society:**

- [a] Land Revenue Systems and Forest Policy.
- [b] Commercialization and Indebtedness.
- [c] Rural society: Change and Continuity.
- [d] Famines.

### **IV. Trade and Industry**

- [a] Deindustrialization
- [b] Trade and Fiscal policy
- [c] Drain of Wealth
- [d] Growth of Modern Industry

### **V. Popular Resistance:**

- [a] Santhal Uprising (1857); Indigo Rebellion (1860);
- [b] Pabna Agrarian Leagues (1873); Deccan Riots (1875).
- [c] Revolt of 1857: causes, courses and consequences

## **ESSENTIAL READINGS**

- C. A. Bayly, Indian Society and the Making of the British Empire,  
Bipan Chandra, Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India.  
Suhash Chakravarty, The Raj Syndrome: A Study in Imperial Perceptions, 1989.  
J.S. Grewal, The Sikhs of the Punjab, New Cambridge History of India  
Ranajit Guha, ed., A Subaltern Studies Reader.  
Dharma Kumar and Tapan Raychaudhuri, eds., The Cambridge Economic History of India.  
P.J. Marshall, Bengal: The British Bridgehead, New Cambridge History of India.  
R.C. Majumdar, ed., History and Culture of Indian People.  
R.C. Majumdar, British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance.

Rajat K. Ray, ed., *Entrepreneurship and Industry in India, 1800-1947*,  
Eric Stokes, *English Utilitarians and India*.  
Ram Lakhan Shukla, ed., *Adhunik Bharat ka Itihas*.

### **SUGGESTED READINGS**

David Arnold and Ramchandra Guha, eds, *Nature, Culture and Imperialism*.  
Amiya Bagchi, *Private Investment in India*.  
Bipan Chandra et. al, *India's Struggles for Independence*.  
A.R. Desai, *Peasant Struggles in India*.  
Ranajit Guha, *Elementary Aspects of Peasant Insurgency in Colonial India* (1983).  
P.C. Joshi, *Rebellion 1857: A Symposium*.  
Dadabhai Naroji, *Poverty and Un-British Rule in India*.

## PAPER XIII

**Course Code: HISHC1013**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF INDIA VIII (c. 1857 - 1950)**

### **I. Cultures Changes and Social and Religious Reform Movements:**

- [a] The Advent of Printing and its Implications
- [b] Reform and Revival: Brahmo Samaj, Prarthna Samaj, and Ramakrishna and Vivekananda, Arya Samaj,
- [c] Wahabi, Deoband, Aligarh and Singh Sabha Movements.
- [d] Debates around Gender

### **II. Nationalism: Trends up to 1919:**

- [a] Political Ideology and Organizations, Formation of INC
- [b] Moderates and Extremists.
- [c] Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement
- [d] Revolutionary Extremism

### **III. Gandhian Nationalism after 1919: Ideas and Movements:**

- [a] Mahatma Gandhi: His Thoughts and Methods
- [b] Impact of the First World War, Rowlett Act: Satyagraha and Jallianwala Bagh
- [c] Non-Cooperation and Civil Disobedience
- [d] 1935 Act, Provincial Autonomy, Quit India and INA

### **IV. Nationalism and Social Groups: Interfaces:**

- [a] Left Wing Movements, Peasant and Labour movements
- [b] Princely India: States People Movements
- [c] Ambedkar and anti Untouchability Movements
- [d] Women and Freedom Movement
- [e] Business groups

### **V. Independence and Partition**

- [a] Communalism: Ideologies and Practices, RSS, Hindu Maha Sabha, Muslim League.
- [b] Negotiations for Independence, Partition and Partition Riots
- [c] Making of the Constitution
- [d] Integration of Princely States
- [e] Land Reform and Beginnings of Planning

### **ESSENTIAL READINGS**

- Judith Brown, Gandhi's rise to Power, 1915-22.  
Paul Brass, The Politics of India Since Independence, OUP, 1990.  
Bipan Chandra, Nationalism and Colonialism in Modern India, 1979.  
Bipan Chandra, Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in India.

Mohandas K. Gandhi, *An Autobiography or The Story of My Experiments with Truth*.  
Ranajit Guha, ed., *A Subaltern Studies Reader*.  
Peter Hardy, *Muslims of British India*.  
Mushirul Hasan, ed., *India's Partition*, Oxford in India Readings.  
D.A. Low, ed., *Congress and the Raj*.  
John R. McLane, *Indian Nationalism and the Early Congress*.  
Jawaharlal Nehru, *An Autobiography*.  
Gyanendra Pandey, *The Construction of Communalism in colonial north India*.  
Sumit Sarkar, *Modern India, 1885-1947*.  
Anil Seal, *Emergence of Indian Nationalism*.  
Ram Lakhan Shukla (ed.), *Adhunik Bharat ka Itihas*.  
Eleanor Zelliot, *From Untouchable to Dalit: Essays on the Ambedkar Movement*.

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Bipan Chandra, *Communalism in Modern India*, 2nd ed., 1987.  
Bipan Chandra, K.N. Panikkar, Mridula Mukherjee, Sucheta Mahajan  
and Aditya Mukherjee, *India's, Struggles for Independence*.  
A.R. Desai, *Social Background of Indian Nationalism*.  
A.R. Desai, *Peasant Struggles in India*.  
Francine Frankel, *India's Political Economy, 1947-77*.  
Ranajit Guha, and G.C. Spivak, eds. *Select Subaltern Studies*.  
Charles Heimsath, *Indian Nationalism and Hindu Social Reform*.  
F. Hutchins, *Illusion of Permanence*.  
F. Hutchins, *Spontaneous Revolution*.  
V.C. Joshi (ed.), *Rammohan Roy and the process of Modernization in India*.  
J.Krishnamurti, *Women in Colonial India*.

## PAPER-XIV

**Course Code: HISHC1014**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF MODERN EUROPE II (c. 1780 -1939)**

### **I. Liberal Democracy, Working Class Movements and Socialism in the 19th and 20th Centuries:**

[a] The Struggle for Parliamentary Democracy and Civil Liberties in Britain.

[b] Forms of Protest during early Capitalism: Food Riots in France and England: Luddites and Chartism.

[c] Early Socialist thought; Marxian Socialism in the First and the Second International.

[d] Christian Democracy as a Political and Ideological Force in Western and Central Europe

### **II. The Crisis of Feudalism in Russia and Experiments in Socialism:**

[a] Emancipation of Serfs.

[b] Russian Populism and Social Democracy.

[c] Revolutions of 1905; the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917.

[d] Programme of Socialist Construction.

### **III. Imperialism, War, and Crisis: c. 1880-1939:**

[a] Theories and Mechanisms of Imperialism;

[b] War of 1914 – 1918, Consequences and peace treaties

[c] The Post-1919 World Order: Economic Crises, the Great Depression and Recovery.

### **[IV] Post 1919 Political Development :**

[a] Fascism and Nazism.

[b] The Spanish Civil War.

[c] Origins of the Second World War.

### **V. Cultural and Intellectual Developments since c. 1850:**

[a] Changing Contexts: [i] Creation of a New Public Sphere and Mass Media [ii] Mass Education and Extension of Literacy.

[b] Creation of New Cultural Forms: from Romanticism to Abstract Art.

[c] Major Intellectual Trends: Darwin and Freud.

[d] Culture and the making of Ideologies: Constructions of Race, Class and Gender, Ideologies of Empire.

### **ESSENTIAL READINGS**

Gerald Brennan: The Spanish Labyrinth: An Account of the Social and Political Background of the Civil War

C.M. Cipolla: Fontana Economic History of Europe, Volume II the Present (1981).

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Michel Vovelle, fall of the French Monarchy (1984).  
H. Seton Watson: The Russian Empire.  
Raymond Williams: Culture and Society.

## **Discipline Specific Elective**

### **Paper I**

**Course Code: HISHDSE501**

**Course Title: EARLY AND MEDIEVAL ASSAM TILL 1826**

#### **Unit-1:**

- 1.01 : Sources: Archaeological, Numismatic, Epigraphy, Literary Sources
- 1.02 : State Formation in Early Assam
- 1.03 : Varmana, Salastambha and Pala dynasty

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- 2.01 : Foundation of the Ahom State and its Consolidation
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Dutta, A.K. : *Maniram Dewan and the Contemporary Assamese Society*

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Nath. D.: *Asam Buranji*

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Baruah, S.L. : *Last Days of Ahom Monarchy(1769-1826)*

Baruah, S.L. and D. Nath : *Chutiya Jatir Buranji*

Bhuyan, N.C. : *Baro Bhuyanr Chamu Buranji*

Basu, N.K. : *Assam in the Ahom Age (1228-1826)*

Bhuyan, S.K. : *Anglo-Assamese Relations(1771-1826)*

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Gohain, U.N.: *Assam under the Ahoms*.

Nath, D. : *History of the Koch Kingdom*

Sarma, A.C.: *Tai-Ahom System of Government*

## **Paper: II**

**Course Code: HISHDSE502**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF MODERN ASSAM: 1826 –1947**

### **Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Political Condition in Assam on the Eve of the British rule.
- 1.02 : Establishment and Consolidation of the British rule – Reforms and Reorganizations - David Scott, Jenkins and Robertson – Annexation of Lower Assam, Administrative Reorganizations and Revenue Measures
- 1.05 : Ahom Monarchy in Upper Assam (1833-38)
- 1.06 : Early phase of Revolts and Resistance to British rule- Gomdhar Konwar, Piyali Phukan, U.Tirut Singh

### **Unit: II**

- 2.01 : Annexation of Cachar
- 2.02 : The Khamti and the Singpho Rebellion
- 2.03 : The 1857 Revolt in Assam and its Aftermath.
- 2.04 : Establishment of Chief Commissionership in Assam

### **Unit: III**

- 3.01 : Land Revenue Measures and Peasant Uprisings in 19<sup>th</sup> century Assam
- 3.02 : Growth of National Consciousness – Assam Association, Sarbajanik Sabhas, and the Ryot Sabhas
- 3.03 : Impact of Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement in Assam.

### **Unit :IV**

- 4.01 : Government of India Act, 1919 – Dyarchy on Trial in Assam.
- 4.02 : Non Co-operation Movement, Swarajist Politics in Assam, The Civil Disobedience Movement

4.03 : Student Movement in Assam

4.04 : Tribal League and Politics in Assam

**Unit: V**

5.01 : Trade Union and Allied Movements

5.02 : Congress and Provincial politics in Assam

5.03 : Migration, Line System and its Impact on Politics in Assam

5.04 : Quit India Movement in Assam and Impact of World War II.

5.05 : Cabinet Mission Plan and the Grouping Controversy – the Sylhet Referendum.

**Suggested Readings:**

Barpujari, H. K : *Assam in the Days of the Company*.

—————, : (ed) *Francis Jenkins Report on the North- East Frontier of India*.

—————, : (ed) *Political History of Assam, Vol. I*.

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Bora .S. : *Student Revolution in Assam*.

Dutta, Anuradha : *Assam in the Freedom Movement*.

Guha, Amalendu : *Planters Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam*.

Lahiri, R.M : *Annexation of Assam*

### **Paper III**

**Course Code: HISHDSE601**

**Course Title: Social and Economic History of Assam**

**Unit: I Social and Economic History of Ancient Assam**

- 1.01 : Development of Caste System in Ancient Assam, Social Classes and Occupational Groups
- 1.02 : Religious Beliefs and Practices in Ancient Assam : Vaishnavism, Saivism, Shaktism and Buddhism; Art, Sculpture and Architecture of Early Assam
- 1.03 : Land System and Ownership of Land; Land Grant and Agrahara Settlements
- 1.04 : Development of Agriculture, Trade and Medium of Exchange

**Unit: II Society in Medieval Assam**

- 2.01 : Social Structure in the Brahmaputra Valley – Caste System
- 2.02 : Social Organization –Caste-Class Relationship, Nobility, Paiks, Slaves and Servants
- 2.03 : Neo-Vaishnavite Movement in Assam – Sankardeva and his followers, Development of *Satra* Institutions, Bhakti movement and Development of Assamese literature
- 2.04 : Art and Architecture in Medieval Assam
- 2.04 : Patriarchy, Women and Society in Medieval Assam

**Unit: III Economy in Medieval Assam**

- 3.01 : Agriculture and Land System – Classification and Ownership of Land
- 3.02 : Land Revenue and other Taxes
- 3.03 : Trade and Commerce – Export and Import, Trade routes and Means of Transport, Medium of Trade – Coinage
- 3.04 : Economic Relation between the Hills and Valleys

**Unit: IV      Society in Colonial Assam**

- 4.01    :      Growth of Modern Education and role of the Christian Missionaries
- 4.02    :      Language Controversy in 19<sup>th</sup> century Assam
- 4.03    :      Emergence of Middle Class, Issues relating to Women
- 4.04    :      Development of Press, Periodicals and Growth of Public Associations –Ahom Sabha, The Assam Sahitya Sabha, Tribal league and other Ethnic organizations, Satras in Colonial Assam

**Unit: V      Economy in Colonial Assam**

- 5.01    :      Agriculture; Colonial Land Regulations and Revenue System, Cottage Industry
- 5.02    :      Plantation Economy- Waste Land Grants, Growth of Tea Industry
- 5.03    :      Development of Modern Industries - Coal and Oil.
- 5.04    :      Development of Transport System: Water, Rail and Road

**Suggested Readings:**

- Barpujari, H.K.: (ed)                    : *The Comprehensive History of Assam*, Vol. I,III, IV & V.
- Boruah, Nirode                         : *Early Assam, State Formation, Political Centres Cultural Zones*,
- Rhodes, N. and S. K. Bose             : *The Coinage of Assam*, Vol. I & II
- Baruah, S.L.                              : *A Comprehensive History of Assam*.
- Choudhury, P.C.                         : *History of Civilization of the People of Assam to the Twelfth Century A.D.*
- Gait, E.A.                                 : *A History of Assam*.
- Guha, Amalendu                         : *Medieval and Early Colonial Assam*.
- Goswami, Priyam                        : *Assam in the Nineteenth Century: Industrialization and Colonial Penetration*.
- Guha, Amalendu    : *Planters Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam 1826-1947*.
- Medhi, S. B                                : *Transport System and Economic Development in Assam*.
- Saikia, Rajen                             : *Social and Economic History of Assam (1853- 1921)*.
- Sharma, Monorama    : *Social and Economic Change in Assam: Middle Class Hegemony*
- Jahnabi Gogoi                         : *Agrarian System of Medieval Assam*

## Paper IV

**Course Code:** HISHDSE602

**Course Title:** Historiography

### **Unit: I Concept and Sources**

- 1.01: Concept: Meaning, Scope and Purpose of History, Varieties of History, Causation in History, Objectivity in History
- 1.02: Primary and Secondary Sources, Internal and External Criticism,
- 1.03: History and Allied Subjects: Archeology, Epigraphy and Numismatics
- 1.04: History and Geography, History and Anthropology, History and Sociology, History and Literature

### **Unit: II Evolution of Historiography**

- 2.01: Ancient Greece and Rome -Herodotus and Thucydides, Livy and Tacitus
- 2.02: Chinese Historiography- Summa Chien; Historiography in Arab Countries- Ibn Khaldun
- 2.03: Medieval European Historiography and Christian Chronicles
- 2.04: Renaissance Historiography

### **Unit: III Renaissance to Enlightenment Historiography:**

- 3.01 Scientific Revolution and Impact on History Writing
- 3.03: Enlightenment Historiography
- 3.04 Ranke, Niebuhr and Development of History Writing
- 3.04 Marxism and its impact in History Writing

### **Unit: IV Historical Traditions in India**

- 4.01 : Varieties of Historical Traditions in Early India; Rajatangani
- 4.02: Development of History Writing in Sultanate and Mughal Period
- 4.03: Regional Historical Traditions- Assam, Maharashtra, South India

### **Unit: V Development of History Writing in India in Modern Period**

- 5.01: Sir William Jones and Asiatic Society of Bengal
- 5.02: James Mill and other Colonial Historians
- 5.03: Nationalist Historiography
- 5.04: Marxist and Subaltern Historiography

### **Suggested Readings**

- Bajaj Satish : Recent Trends in Historiography, New Delhi, 1988
- Barnes, H.E. : A History of History Writing, Oklahoma, 1937
- Black Jeremy and Donald M. : Studying History, Macmillan, 1997
- Cannon John (ed) : The Historian at Work, London, 1980
- Carr E.H. : What is History, Latest edition
- Collingwood, R.G : The Idea of History, OUP, latest edition
- Evans J. Richard : In Defense of History, London, 1997

Gare, Arran E : Postmodernism and Environmental Crisis, London, 1997  
Gooch, G.P. : History and Historians of the Nineteenth Century, Reprint,  
: 1952  
Merquior J.G : Foucault, London, Second edition, 1991  
Marwick, Arthur : Introduction to History, London, 1977  
Sreedharan, E : A Textbook of Historiography 500 BC to 2000  
Stern Fritz : Varieties of History, New York,  
Thompson, J.W & Bernard H: A History of History Writing, 2 vols.,

## **Paper V**

**Course Code: HISHDSE603**

**Course Title: HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (c.1776-1945)**

### **Unit I:**

- 1.01: The land and Indigenous People: Settlement and Colonization by Europeans
- 1.02: Revolution: Sources of Conflict, Revolutionary groups, Ideology: The War of Independence and its Historical Interpretations
- 1.03: Processes and Features of Constitution Making: Debates

### **Unit II:**

- 2.01: Federalists and Republicans,
- 2.02: War of 1812: Causes and Consequences
- 2.03: Monroe Doctrine and Manifest Destiny

### **Unit III:**

- 3.01: Abolitionism and Sectionalism: Rise of Republicanism, Lincoln and the Civil War
- 3.02: Reconstruction of the South
- 3.03: Beginnings of Industrialization

### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01: Growth of Capitalism and Big Business
- 4.02: Labour Movements and Trade Unions
- 4.03: Agrarian Crises, Populism and Progressivism

### **Unit V:**

- 5.01: Spanish-American War 1898
- 5.02: World War I and Fourteen Points of Woodrow Wilson,
- 5.03: Great Depression and New Deal Reforms
- 5.03: USA and World War II

## **ESSENTIAL READINGS**

- Baruah, Biswajit, History of USA 1776-1945
- Bernard Bailyn, The Great Republic.
- Bernard Bailyn, The Ideological Origins of the American Revolution.
- Richard Hofstadter, The Age of Reform, From Bryan to FDR
- Charles Beard, An Economic Interpretation of the American Constitution.
- Peter Carroll and David Noble, Free and Unfree: A New History of the United States.
- David B. Davis, The Problem of Slavery in the Age of Revolution.
- U. Faulkner, American Economic History.
- John Hope Franklin, From Slavery to Freedom.
- David M. Potter, The Impending Crisis.
- J. G. Randall and David Donald, The Civil War and Reconstruction.
- Federick Jackson Turner, The Frontier in American History.
- Richard W. Leopold, The Growth of American Foreign Policy.

## **Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) (Any two)**

### **Paper I**

**COURSE CODE: HISGDSE1**

**COURSE TITLE: RISE OF MODERN WEST**

#### **Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Renaissance- meaning -background-impacts
- 1.02 : Reformation- origin, courses and consequences; Counter Reformation
- 1.03 : The Thirty Years War- causes and consequences

#### **Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Colonial Expansion in the 15<sup>th</sup> –16<sup>th</sup> centuries – Causes, Extent and Implication
- 2.02 : Commercial Revolution in Europe
- 2.03 : Absolute monarchy in Europe- Spain, France, England and Russia
- 2.04 : The Glorious Revolution –Background and results

#### **Unit III:**

- 3.01 : The Scientific Revolution in the 16<sup>th</sup> –17<sup>th</sup> centuries - extent, nature and results
- 3.02 : Mercantilism and European Economy during 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries
- 3.03 : American War of Independence- political and Economic Issues and Significance

#### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : Enlightenment in Europe – its Impact
- 4.02 : Enlightened Despotism in Europe – Russia, Prussia and Austria
- 4.03 : The Industrial Revolution in Europe- causes and significance
- 4.04 : Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism

#### **Unit: V**

- 5.01 : The French Revolution- Causes, Courses and Significance
- 5.02 : Napoleon Bonaparte- internal and external polices- downfall of Napoleon Bonaparte
- 5.03 : The Congress of Vienna and Europe in 1815.

## **SUGGESTED READINGS**

M. S. Anderson, Europe in the Eighteenth Century.

Perry Anderson, The Lineages of the Absolutist State.

Stuart Andrews, Eighteenth Century Europe.

B. H. Slicher von Bath, The Agrarian History of Western Europe. AD. 500 - 1850.

The Cambridge Economic History of Europe. Vol. I - VI.

James B. Collins, The State in Early Modern France, New Approaches to European History.

G. R. Elton, Reformation Europe, 1517-1559.

M. P. Gilmore, The World of Humanism. 1453-1517.

Peter Kriedte, Peasants, Landlords and Merchant Capitalists.

J. Lynch, Spain under the Hapsburgs.

Peter Mathias, First Industrial revolution.

Harry Miskimin, The Economy of Later Renaissance Europe: 1460-1600.

Charles A. Nauert, Humanism and the Culture of the Renaissance (1996).

The New Cambridge Modern History of Europe, Vols. I - VII.

L. W. Owie, Seventeenth Century Europe.

D. H. Pennington, Seventeenth Century Europe.

F. Rice, The Foundations of Early Modern Europe

## Paper II

**COURSE CODE: HISGDSE 2.1**

**COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF EUROPE: 1815 - 1945**

### **Unit: I**

- 1.01 : The Congress of Vienna
- 1.02 : The Concert of Europe : Peace Settlements and its impact
- 1.03 : Metternich System and Balance of Power

### **Unit: I**

- 2.01 : The unification of Italy: Cavour and Garibaldi, Internal Affairs and Foreign policy  
Italy
- 2.02 : The unification of Germany: Bismarck, Internal developments and foreign  
Policies of Bismarck
- 2.03 : France under Napoleon III, Internal and Foreign Policies

### **Unit: III**

- 3.01 : Era of Reforms in Russia-Alexander II and Alexander III
- 3.02 : The Eastern Question: Role of Imperialist powers: Crimean War-Russo-Turkish  
War and the Berlin Congress- rise of nationalism and the Balkan Wars.
- 3.03 : Imperialism in Africa and Asia in the pre-war period.

### **Unit: IV**

- 4.01 : Europe before the First World War- Triple Alliance and Triple Entente- The First  
World War and its Consequences
- 4.01 : The Paris Peace Conference and the Peace Settlements.
- 4.02 : The League of Nations- Origin and Activities.
- 4.03 : Reparations and the Economic Crisis.

### **Unit: V**

- 5.01 : Italy under Benito Mussolini.
- 5.02 : Germany under Adolph Hitler.
- 5.03 : The Spanish Civil War
- 5.04 : The Second World War: Background, Course and Result

**Suggested Readings:**

- Hayes, C J H : *A Political and Cultural History of Modern Europe*, Vol. Vol. II
- Lipson E : *Europe in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century*
- Gooch, C.P : *History of Modern Europe*
- Thompson D : *Europe since Napoleon*
- Lee, Benms : *European History since 1870*
- Vernadsky, H : *A History of Russia*
- Fisher, H.A.L : *History of Europe from early Eighteenth Century to 1935*
- Bora, S : *Adhunik Europe* (Assamese)
- Bhattacharyya, D : *Europar Buranji* (Assamese)

## Paper III

**COURSE CODE: HISGDSE 2.2**

**COURSE TITLE: Polity, Society and Economy of Modern Assam (1826-1947)**

### **Unit I:**

- 1.01: Political Condition in Assam on the Eve of the British Rule.
- 1.02: Establishment and Consolidation of the British rule – Reforms and Reorganizations- the role of David Scott, Robertson and Jenkins
- 1.03: Early phase of Revolts and Resistance to British rule- Gomdhar Konwar, Piyali Phukan, U.Tiruf Singh, the Khamti and the Singpho rebellion

### **Unit II:**

- 2.01: Expansion of the British Rule in Assam
- 2.02: The 1857 Revolt in Assam and its aftermath
- 2.03: Establishment of Chief Commissionership in Assam

### **Unit III:**

- 3.01: Partition of Bengal – Swadeshi and Boycott Movement in Assam, Growth of Revolutionary Terrorism
- 3.02: Non Co-operation Movement and Swarajist Politics in Assam
- 3.03: The Civil Disobedience Movement
- 3.04: Quit India Movement, Cabinet Mission Plan and the Grouping Controversy

### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01: Decline of Old aristocracy and the Emergence of the Middle Class
- 4.02: Growth of Modern Education, Role of the Christian Missionaries
- 4.03: Literary and Cultural Development – Impact of the Bengal Renaissance, Growth of Press
- 4.04: Growth of National Consciousness – Assam Association, Sarbajanik Sabhas and the Ryot Sabhas

### **Unit V:**

- 5.01: Agriculture, Land Revenue and Miscellaneous Revenues
- 5.02: Growth of Tea Industry - Its impact on the Society, Development of Modern Industries-Coal and Oil
- 5.03: Growth of new Infrastructures- Roads, Steamers and Railways, Post and Telegraphs, Trade and Commerce

### **Suggested Readings:**

- Barpujari, H. K : Assam in the Days of the Company.
- , : (ed) Francis Jenkins Report on the North- East Frontier of India.
- , : (ed) Political History of Assam, Vol I
- , : (ed) The Comprehensive History Of Assam, Vols. IV & V.
- Barua, Swarnalata: A Comprehensive History of Assam.
- Bhuyan, A.C (ed) Political History of Assam, Vols. II & III.
- Bhuyan, A.C : (ed) Nationalist Upsurge in Assam.
- Dutta, Anuradha : Assam in the Freedom Movement.
- Guha, Amalendu : Planters Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam.
- Lahiri, R.M : Annexation of Assam.
- Barpujari, H.K : The American Missionaries and the North East India.
- Barua, A. K : Indian Railways The Final Frontier, Genesis and growth of the North- East Frontier Railway.
- Guha, Amalendu : Medieval and Early Colonial Assam.
- Goswami,P. C. : Economic Development of Assam.
- Goswami, Priyam : Assam in the Nineteenth Century: Industrialization and Colonial Penetration.
- Goswami, Shrutidev : Aspects of Revenue Administration in Assam (1826- 1874).
- Medhi, S. B : Transport System and Economic Development in Assam.
- Saikia, Rajen : Social and Economic History of Assam (1853- 1921).
- Sharma, Monorama : Social and Economic Change in Assam: Middle Class Hegemony

## Generic Elective (Interdisciplinary)

### Paper I

**COURSE CODE: HISGE5**

**COURSE TITLE: Women in Indian History**

#### **Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Definition and Scope, Feminist Movements and Development of Women's History
- 1.02 : Key Concepts in Women's Studies – Gender, Patriarchy and Sexual Division of Labour
- 1.03 : Sources for Reconstruction of Women's History – Oral Narratives, Memoirs, Diaries, Autobiographies etc.

#### **Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Women In Ancient Indian Society : Vedic Period
- 2.02 : Status of Women In Buddhism
- 2.03 : Changing Status of Women in the Subsequent Periods
- 2.04 : Women in Medieval India

#### **Unit III:**

- 3.01 : Social Customs and Reform Movements in 19<sup>th</sup> century India : Sati, Widow Remarriage, Female Infanticide : Role of Brahma Samaj, Arya Samaj , Prarthna Samaj and Aligarh Movement
- 3.02 : Jyotiba Phule, Pandita Ramabai and Begum Rukia Sakhawat Hussain
- 3.03 : Development of Women's' Education in 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century : Role of Social Reformers and Missionaries
- 3.04 : Sarda Act, 1929 and Hindu Women's Right to Property Act, 1937

#### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : Development of Women's Organization : Women's Conference, 1910 and National Council of Women in India
- 4.02 : Demand for Women's Franchise
- 4.03 : Women in Indian Freedom Struggle : Pre-Gandhian Phase
- 4.04 : Women in Freedom Struggle : Gandhian Phase
- 4.05 : Women in Revolutionary Movement

#### **Unit: V**

- 5.01 : Women, Society and Patriarchy in Medieval Assam  
 5.02 : Social Reform Movement in 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century  
 5.03 : Development of Women's Organization in Assam  
 5.04 : Women and Freedom Struggle in North East India

### **Suggested Readings:**

- Altekar, A.S : *The Position of Women in Hindu Civilization*  
 Chakravarti, Uma : *Re-writing History: the Life and Times of Pandita Ramabai*  
 Desai Neera & Usha Thakkaar (eds) : *Women in Indian Society.*  
 Forbes, Geraldine : *Women in Modern India*  
 Kumar, Radha : *The History of Doing*  
 Krishnamurthy, J (ed) : *Women in Colonial India*  
 Lerner, Gerda : *The Creation of Patriarchy*  
 Majumdar, V. : *Studies on the Political Status of Women in India*  
 Mukherjee, P. : *Hindu Women Normative Models*  
 Nair, Janaki : *Women and Law in Colonial India*  
 Roy, KumKum. (ed). : *Women in Early Indian Societies*  
 Sangari Kumkum & Sudesh Vaid  
 (ed). : *Recasting Women Essays in Colonial History*  
 Sharma, D : *The Role of the Assamese Women in the Freedom Movements*  
 Swarup Hemlata, Bisaria Sarojini : *Women, Politics and Religion.*  
 Thorner, Alice & M. Krishnaraj : *Ideal, Images and Real lives, essays on women, history and literature*  
 Walters, Margaret : *Feminism, A Very Short Introduction.*

## **Paper II**

**COURSE CODE: HISGE6**

**COURSE TITLE: Environmental History**

### **Unit I:**

- 1.01 : Emergence of Environmental History as a Branch of History
- 1.02 : Mode of Resource Utilization: Gathering, Nomadic, Pastoralism, Agricultural Mode and Industrial Mode; Resource Use Patterns in Indian History
- 1.03 : Ecology and Environment, Ecosystem and Population Interaction
- 1.04 : Geographical Background of the Indian Subcontinent

### **Unit II:**

- 2.01 : Community interaction with the Environment in the Early period in India, Indus Valley Civilization and its decline: Environmental factors
- 2.02 : Use of iron implements; Agricultural Expansion and Deforestation in the Gangetic Valley
- 2.03 : Expansion of Agricultural in Early Medieval and Medieval India, Technological changes and Agricultural productions in Medieval period, Forest and the pastoral communities in the Medieval period
- 2.04 : Water as a Resource in Ancient and Medieval India

### **Unit III:**

- 3.01 : British Forest Policy in India: Impact of European Forestry Tradition
- 3.02 : Making of British Forest Policy, British Forest Policies up to 1947
- 3.03 : Forest Legislations : Forest Acts of 1878 and 1927
- 3.04 : Impact of British Forest Policy: Deforestation and Ecological change in India
- 3.05 : Commercial Exploitation of Forest Products; Impact of Railway Construction on Forestry

#### **Unit IV:**

- 4.01 : Mahatma Gandhi and Nehru's view on Environment
- 4.02 : Conservation Policies in Post independence Period; Social Forestry
- 4.03 : Environmental movements: Chipko Movement, Narmada Bachao Andolan and other Environmental Movements
- 4.04 : Dams and Mines: Problems of displacement, Loss of Livelihood and Problems of Rehabilitation

#### **Unit V:**

- 5.01 : People's Movements and Resistance against the Colonial Forest Policies
- 5.02 : British Forest Policies in North- East India; Environmental and Socio-Economic Consequences of Colonial Forest Policies; Plantation Economy and Forestry
- 5.03 : Flood and Soil Erosion in the Brahmaputra Valley
- 5.04 : History of Conservation Strategies in North East India
- 5.05 : Hill area and Shifting Cultivation, Problems of Shifting Cultivation

#### **Suggested Reading:**

- Agarwal, D.P : *Man and Environment in India through the Ages*
- Arnold, D and R. Guha : *Nature, Culture, Imperialism: Essays on the Environmental History of South Asia*
- Bhattacharya, D.K. : *Ecology and Social Formation in Ancient History*
- Cederlof, Gunnel and K. Sivaramakrishnan (eds.) : *Ecological Nationalisms*
- Chakrabarti, Ranjan, (ed.) : *Situating Environmental History*  
: *Does Environmental History Matter? Shikar, Subsistence and the Sciences*
- Dhavalikar, M.K. : *Environment and Culture: A Historical Perspective*

- Gadgil, M and R. Guha : *The Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India*
- Gadgil, M and R. Guha : *Ecology and Equity*
- Gadgil, M and R. Guha : *Use and Abuse of Nature*
- Grone, R. Damodaran, V. and S. Sangwar : *Nature and the Orient : The Environmental History of South and South-East Asia*
- Guha, Sumit, : *Environment and Ethnicity in India 1200-1991*
- Guha, A. : *Medieval and Early Colonial Assam: Society, polity Economy*
- Guha, R. : *The Unquiet woods, Ecological Change and Peasants Resistance in the Himalaya*
- : *Environmentalism A Global History*
- Handique, R. : *British Forest Policy in Assam*
- Martinez-Alies, J and Guha R. : *Varieties of Environmentalism: Essays North and South*
- Pathak, Akhileswar : *Law, Strategies, Ideologies: Legislating Forests in Colonial India*
- Rahman, A., : *History of Indian Science, Technology and Culture. A.D 1000-1800*
- Skaria, Ajay. : *Hybrid Histories: Forest, Frontiers and Wildness in Western India*