



OPJS UNIVERSITY, CHURU

SYLLABUS

M.A. HISTORY (Previous)

Session 2013-14

(There shall be four papers out of which two are compulsory papers)

Compulsory Papers

OPMH101	Paper -I	Historiography
OPMH102	Paper -II	Twentieth Century World

Optional Papers

Students shall have to offer two papers, third & fourth, from only group viz. either from group A or group B or group C

Group-A

OPMH103 (a)	History of India (Earliest Times to 78 A.D.)
OPMH103 (b)	History of India (78 A.D. to 650 A.D.)

Group-B

OPMH104 (a)	History of India (1200 to 1526 A.D.)
OPMH104 (b)	History of India (1526 to 1656 A.D.)

Group-C

OPMH105 (a)	History of India (1761 to 1857A.D.)
OPMH105 (b)	History of India (1858 to 1919 A.D.)

Paper I- Historiography

Unit-I

- (a) Meaning and scope of History, Concept of History
- (b) History and other Disciplines, Nature of History: Whether Science or Art

Unit-II

- (a) Relation between facts and interpretation, Problem of objectivity and bias, Value and subject matter of History-
- (b) Role and places of individual in History, Prediction and possibilities of Laws

Unit-III

- (a) Traditions of Historical writings in Ancient and Medieval times: Greco-Roman traditions, Ancient Indian tradition, Medieval Historiography - Western, Arabic, Persian and Indian



- (b) Traditions of Historical Writings in Modern Times : Positivist, Classical, Marxist, Subaltern and Post-modernist





Unit-IV

- (a) Modern trends in Western Historiography with special reference to Toynbee Spengler, Collingwood.
- (b) Modern trends in Indian Historiography with special reference to Indian Freedom Struggle Movement: Cambridge School, Marxist School, Romantic School and Subaltern School

Unit-V

- (a) Trends of traditional Historiography in Rajasthan with special reference to Nensi, Bankidas. Col.Tod, Shyamal Das and Ojha
- (b) Trends of Modern Historiography in Rajasthan with special reference to Dashrath Sharma, Raghubeer Singh, Gopinath Sharma and Mathura Lal Sharma.

Books Recommended:

1. E.H. Carr: What is History? (Also in Hindi) The Idea of History
2. R.G. Collingwood: Lectures on the Philosophy of History
3. Hegel: An Introduction to the Philosophy of History
4. W.H. Walsh: History : Its Theory and Method, Macmillan India Ltd. Madras, Reprinted 1988
5. Sheikh Ali: bfrgkl Lo:i ,oa fl)kUr] jktLFkku fgUnh xFk vdkneh] t;ij] rhijk lLdj.k
6. G.C. Pande(Ed.): History, its Purpose and Methods, Boston, 1950
7. G.I. Renier: History of Historical Thinking, New York, 1942
8. Thompson: Avenues of History, London, 1952

Paper-II Twentieth Century World

Unit I - World Order Upto 1919

- (a) Legacy of Nineteenth Century, World on the eve of 20th Century
- (b) Emergence of First World War, Peace Settlement and its long term consequences, Emergence of Japan as an imperial power.
- (c) Russian Revolution, Establishment of a Socialist State - its economic and political aspects

Unit II - World Upto 1945

- (a) Working of the League of Nations, Collective Security, Great Depression, The New Deal
- (b) Ideologies of Nazism and Fascism : Germany, Italy and Japan
- (c) Second World War - Origin, nature and results of the war





Unit III - New Political Order

- (a) Nationalist Movements and Decolonization
- (b) Communist Revolution in China and its impact on World Politics, Rise of Mao-Tse -Tung
- (c) Cold War and its effects, NATO, Disintegration of Socialist Block

Unit IV - World enters New Era

- (a) Non - Aligned Movement and Third World
- (b) UNO and the concept of World Peace, Regional Tensions : Palestine, Kashmir, Cuba, Korea and Vietnam
- (c) European Union, U.S. Ascendancy in the world

Unit V - Age of Progress and Change

- (a) Industry, Agriculture, Science, Information and Communication technology
- (b) Civil Rights Movements, Apartheid and Feminism
- (c) Globalization and its economic and political impact

(Note : Question may be asked on terminology of the period)

Books Recommended:

1. G.P. Gooch: History of Our Times
2. Walter Lippmann: The History of Cold War
3. The Cambridge Economic History of Europe, Vol. IV
4. The New Cambridge History of Europe, Vol V, VI & VII
5. Jain & Mathur: A History of Modern World (1500-2000 A.D.)

OPMH103 (a) History of India (Earliest Times to 78 A.D.)

Unit-I

- (a) Sources - Inscription, coins, Literature, Greek writings etc.
- (b) Salient features of Palaeolithic to Neolithic Cultures
- (c) Harappan Culture (Pre Harappan, Mature Harappan and Post Harappan Cultures)- Extent, Debate on Harappan Chronology, Town Planning Specially Harappa, MohanJodaro, Dholavira, Lothal and Kalibanga; Economic organisation, Urban Decline
- (d) Vedic Age : Polity, Economy, Religion, Role of Vedas in Indian History

Unit-II

- (a) Early Iron Age : Disposal of the dead, Megalithic Culture
- (b) Iron Age : Economic development ; Social stratification - beginnings of Varnashram: Jati, Marriage, Sanskaras
- (c) Religious Movements : Jainism, Buddhism etc.
- (d) Rise of Magadh Empire upto Nandas and their achievements



Unit-III

- (a) Rise of Mauryas and their Empire
- (b) Ashoka's Dhamma and his missionary activities
- (c) Downfall of the Mauryan Empire and Ashoka's responsibility
- (d) Mauryan administration

Unit-IV

- (a) The Shungas and their achievements
- (b) The Indo - Greeks, The consequence of Indo - Greek rule
- (c) The Shakas of Western India
- (d) Kharvela of Kalinga

Unit-V

- (a) Importance of Arthashastra and Megasthenes' Indica
- (b) Ashoka's Edicts
- (c) Trade and trade routes with special reference to Silk Routes and Spice Routes
- (d) Society, Religion and Art (From 3rd century B.C. to 1st century A.D.)

Books Recommended :

1. K.A. Nilkant Shastri (ed.) : Comprehensive History of India, Vol. II
2. Mazumdar and Pusalkar : The History and Culture of Indian People, Vol. II. The Age of Imperial Unity.
3. Raychoudhary, H.C.: Political History of Ancient India (Also in Hindi)
4. Mookerjee, R.K.: Chandra Gupta Maurya and his Times (Also in Hindi)
5. Nilkant Shastri, K.A.: The Age of Nands and Mauryas (Also in Hindi)
6. V.C. Pandey: Prachin Bharat ka Rajnitik Tatha Sanskritikaa Itihas, Vol. I (Also in Hindi)
7. Bhandarkar, D.R. : Ashoka (Also in Hindi)
8. Narain, A.K.: The Indo - Greeks
9. Romila Thapar: Ashoka and Decline of Maurya (Also in Hindi)
10. Mookerjee, R. K.: Ashoka (Also in Hindi)

OPMH103 (b) History of India (78 A.D. to 650 A.D.)

Unit-I

- (a) Sources and interpreting historical trends
- (b) Kanishka and his achievements
- (c) Sangam Age : Chiefdoms, Literature, Society, Indo - Roman trade and integration of cultures
- (d) Western Kshatrapas - Nahapana, Rudradaman I and their achievements

Unit-II



- (a) Revival of the Satvahan power under Gautmiputra Satakarni
- (b) History of the Vakatakas with special reference to Pravara Sena I, Vakataka relation with Imperial Guptas
- (c) Age of Vakatakas : Society, Religion and Art

Unit-III: Guptas

- (a) Political consolidation - extent and structure
- (b) Administrative Organisation
- (c) Land Grants, Expansion of agriculture
- (d) Coins and currency

Unit-IV

- (a) Religion under Guptas : Revival of Vedic and Pauranic religious traditions, Growth of temples
- (b) Sculpture, Painting, Architecture, Sanskrit literature, Science and Technology - under the Guptas
- (c) Huna invasions and Decline of Guptas Empire

Unit-V

- (a) Later Guptas and their relations with Mokharis
- (b) Vardhans, Chalukyas and Pallavas : Extent of kingdoms, Administration, Religion, Society and Cultural activities.
- (c) The account of Fahien and Yuan Chwang
- (d) Slavery and Untouchability

Books Recommended:

1. Majumdar and Pusalkar, ed. : The History and Culture of the Indian People, Vol. II, The Age of Imperial Unity.
2. Majumdar and Pusalkar, ed : The History and Culture of the Indian People, Vol.III, The Classical Age
3. R.K. Mukerji : The Gupta Empire
4. S.R. Goyal : The History of the Imperial Guptas
5. Majumdar and Alteker : The Vakataka Gupta Age(In Hindi also)
6. D. Devahuti : Harsha - A Political Study
7. U.N. Day : Gupta Samrata Va Unki Kala
8. G.S. Chatterji : Harsha Vardhan (In Hindi)
9. P.L.Gupta : History of the Gupta Empire (in Hindi also)

OPMH104 (a) History of India (1200 to 1526 A.D.)



Unit-I

- (a) Survey of chief Sources of the period
- (b) Historians and their Writings : Minhaj - us- Siraj, Amir Khusrau, Ziauddin Barni, Ibn Batuta, Isami
- (c) The Ghorian - Turkish Conquest of Northern India, Nature and consequences of the conquest

Unit-II

- (a) Iltutmish to Balban - expansion and administrative measures, The Iqta System, The Slave Nobility
- (b) The Khalji Revolution. Alauddin: Expansion in North and South India, Agrarian and price control measures.
- (c) Rajput resistance under Slaves and Khaljis

Unit-III

- (a) Foundation of Tughlaq Dynasty, Mohammad bin Tughlaq and his projects, Rebellions under Mohd. Tughlaq
- (b) Firoj Tughlaq : Administrative and public works , his weaknesses

Unit-IV

- (a) Disintegration of the Sultanate, Growth of Afghan Power, Afghan Theory of Sovereignty, Struggle between Nobility and the Crown
- (b) North - West Frontier problem during the Sultanate period
- (c) Provincial Kingdoms: Vijaynagar, Bahamani and Mewar

Unit-V

- (a) Nature of the State, Theory of Kingship
- (b) System of Government - Centre, Province and Village administration
- (c) Inland and Maritime trade, Urbanisation, Agrarian Economy

Books recommended :

1. Habib, Nizami : Comprehensive History of India, Vol. V.
2. Yusuf Husain : Some Aspects of Medieval Indian Culture
3. A.M. Habibullah : Some Aspects of Muslim Rule in India
4. Mahdi Husain : The Tughlaq Dynasty
5. Ishtiaq Ahamed Qureshi: The Administration of Delhi Sultanate
6. K.M.Ashraf : Life and Condition of the People of Hindusthan (also in Hindi)
7. A.B. Pandey : The First Afghan Empire in India
8. S.R. Sharma : Crescent in India (also in hindi)
9. A. L. Shrivastava : History of India (also in hindi)



OPMH104 (b) History of India (1526 to 1656 A.D.)

Unit-I

- (a) Historians and their writings - Babar and his Tuzuk, Abbas Khan Sherwani, Abul Fazal, Maulana Abdul Qadir Badayuni, Nizamuddin Ahamad, Jahangir and his Tuzuk, Abdul Hamid Lahori
- (b) Monuments as source material

Unit-II

- (a) Babar's invasion and establishment of Mughal Empire in North India
- (b) Problems of Humayun, Role of Nobility , Relation with Rajputas and Afghans, Causes of Humayun's failure

Unit-III

- (a) Shershah Suri : Political achievements, Administration and Reforms
- (b) Akbar : Early Problems, North Conquest, Deccan Policy, Relation with Nobility and Rajputas

Unit-IV

- (a) Parties and Politics at Jahangir's court and the Nurjahan Junta
- (b) Relations with Rajputs during Jahangir and Shahjahan
- (c) Deccan problem during Jahangir and Shahjahan
- (d) North - West Frontier and Central Asian policy of Jahangir and Shahjahan

Unit-V

- (a) Nature of Mughal State, Central and Provincial administration
- (b) Mansabdari System, Revenue System
- (c) Evolution of Akbar's Sulah - Kul policy, trends of changes in religious policies during Jahangir and Shahjahan
- (d) Mughals relations with Europeans (1556 - 1656 A.D.)

Books Recommended:

1. R.P. Tripathi: Rise and fall of Mughal Empire (Also in Hindi)
2. Rushbrook Williams: An Empire Builder of the Sixteenth Century
3. S.K. Banerji: Humayun Badshah, Vol. I
4. S.R. Sharma: Crescent in India (also in Hindi)
5. Ishwari Prasad: Life and Times of Humayun
6. K.R. Qanungo: Sher Shah and his Times (Also in Hindi)
7. Harbans Mukhiya: Historians and Historiography during the Reign of Akbar
8. Moreland: India at the eve of Akbar's Death (Also in Hindi)

OPMH105 (a) History of India (1761 - 1857)

Unit-I



- (a) Sources - Archival, Private Papers, Newspapers, Periodicals
- (b) Approaches and interpretation - different schools of thought
- (c) India in the mid 18th century; Late pre- colonial order : Polity, Economy, Society and Religion
- (d) Establishment of British Power in Bengal (1740-1772)

Unit-II

- (a) Ideology of expansion and mercantilism
- (b) Policies and Programmes of expansion
- (c) Instruments of expansion - War and Diplomacy
- (d) Relations with Princely States - special reference to Rajasthan

Unit-III

- (a) British understanding of Indian society - Orientalist, Evangelical and Utilitarian
- (b) Social reform and emerging social classes
- (c) Education- indigenous and modern
- (d) Growth of press

Unit-IV

- (a) Rural and urban Economy
- (b) Trade & trade routes
- (c) Banking
- (d) Development of British Indian Administrative System (1756-1858)

Unit-V

- (a) Nature and forms of resistance
- (b) Pre-1857-Peasant and tribal resistance
- (c) Revolt of 1857 : Ideology, programmes, leadership at various levels, people's participation, and British repression and response

Books Recommended:

2. R.C. Majumdar : British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance Vol.IX, Bhartiya Vidhya Bhavan, Bombay, 1965
3. P.E. Roberts : India under Welleseley (also in Hindi)
4. K.M. Pannikar : Delhi Residency
5. N.K. Sinha : Ranjit Singh
6. N.K. Sinha : Haider Ali
7. S.B. Choudhary : Theories of the Indian Mutiny
8. S.N. Prasad : Paramountcy under Dalhousie
9. M.S. Mehta : Lord Hastings and the Indian States
10. Swinton Arthur : North-West Frontier 1839-1917 London 1967



OPMH105 (b) History of India (1858 - 1919)

Unit-I

- (a) Rise and growth of Indian Nationalism
- (b) The Emergence of Congress
- (c) The early Congress- Moderate Phase : Policy, Programme and achievements; Ideology of moderate leaders

Unit-II

- (a) The Extremist Phase : Rise of extremism, Policy, Programme and achievements, Ideology of extremist
- (b) The Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement
- (c) The Surat split

Unit-III

- (a) Revolutionary activities
- (b) Impact of the First World War on India
- (c) Home Rule Movement
- (d) The Khilafat Movement





Unit-IV

- (a) Growth of Education
- (b) Growth of Communalism
- (c) Relations with Princely States with special reference to Rajasthan
- (d) Relations with neighbouring States- Afghanistan, Burma, Tibet and Nepal

Unit-V

- (a) The growth of British Paramountcy
- (b) Administrative Reorganisation under the Crown (1858-1919), Administrative and financial decentralisation
- (c) Indian Council Act of 1861, 1909 and 1919

Books Recommended

1. R.C. Majumdar : British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance, Vol. IX and X
2. S.Gopal : British Policy in India (1858-1905)
3. D.Agrov : Moderates and Extremists
4. William Wedderburns: A.O. Hume, Father of the Indian National Cong.(Reprint)
5. S. Gopal : Viceroyalty of Lord Rippon
6. H.L. Singh : Problems and Policies of the British in India
7. M.S. Jain : Aligarh Movement
8. Ronald Shay : Curzon
9. Anil Seal : The Emergence of the Indian Nationalism
10. S.R.Mehrotra : The Emergence of the Indian National Congress
11. Andrews and Mukerjee : The Rise and Growth of the Congress
12. B.L. Grover : British Policy towards Indian Nationalism
13. Amallesh Tripathi : The Extremist Challenge
14. Thomas Metcalfe : Aftermath of the Revolt
15. Bruce T. Mac Claney : Education and the Emergence of Indian Nationalism
16. Wolpert : Tilak and Gokhale