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SYLLABUS

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HISTORY (MA)

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SEMESTER I

Compulsory Course (i)

HIS 101

STATE FORMATION IN ANCIENT INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Introduction to political organization till the Vedic period – Kingship in the ancient period – Gopati to Bhupati – meaning of the term *Rajan-Vispati* as chief – post-Vedic terms for the King.

UNIT II: Local autonomy and imperial unity – *janapadas* and *mahajanapadas* – conditions for the rise of large territorial states – treasury and coercion in the state – regular collection of land-revenue – advent of taxation and emergence of the state.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Structure of polity in early medieval India – chieftaincies and feudatories – political and economic changes and the bases of the early medieval state system.

UNIT IV: State and imperial ideology in South India – the Cholas and their successors – Vijayanagara.

Suggested Reading:

1. Sharma, R. S.: *Aspects of Political Idea and Institution of Ancient India*
2. Sharma, R. S.: *The State and Varna Formation in the Mid-Ganga Plains*
3. Claessen, H. J. M. & Skalnik, P.: *The Early State*
4. Kosambi, D. D.: *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History*
5. Roy, K.: *Emergence of Monarchy in North India*
6. Thapar, R.: *Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*
7. Thapar, R.: *From Lineage to State*
8. Thapar, R.: *The Mauryas Revisited*
9. Kulke, H. (ed.): *The State in Ancient India*

10. Kesavan, V.: *Political Structure in Early Medieval South India*
11. Champakalakshmi, R: *Trade, Ideology and Urbanisation*
12. Chattopadhyaya, B. D.: *The Making of Early Medieval India*
13. Ali, D.: *Courtly Culture and Political Life in Early Medieval India*

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SEMESTER I

Compulsory Course (ii)

HIS 102

HISTORY AND HISTORIOGRAPHY

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: What is History? Events and interpretations – Philosophy of History – Enlightenment Historiography – Empiricism – Positivism – Idealist view of history.

UNIT II: History writing and different versions of the idea of progress – T. B. Macaulay and the idea of liberty – Karl Marx and the principle of equality – G. M. Trevelyan and the literacy and social history – development of economic and social history in the early twentieth century – Maurice Dobb and the Rise of Capitalism – R. H. Tawney and the Gentry Thesis – G. Lefebvre and A. Soboul and the French Revolution.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Social History as History of Movements – Seventeenth century crisis, English Revolution and Christopher Hill – Social History as history of classes; Eric J. Hobsbawm and the Age of Capital, E. P. Thompson and the working class; Raphael Samuel and the history of the people – emergence of new social history.

UNIT IV: Debates in Indian History – historiography of feudalism in India; Eighteenth century crisis in India; Indian Awakening in Nineteenth century; Indian nationalism; Partition of India – modern Indian history with socio-economic perspective: peasantry, working classes, caste, tribe, gender, environment, science and technology.

Suggested Reading:

1. Breisach, E.: *Historiography*
2. Marwick, A.: *The Nature of History*
3. Carr, E. H.: *What is History?*
4. Southgate, B.: *History: What and Why*
5. Kaye, H. W.: *British Marxist Historians*
6. Morrison, K.: *Marx, Durkheim, Weber*
7. Geyl, P.: *Debates with Historians*
8. Lambert, P. & Schofield, P. (eds.): *Making History*
9. Fulbrook, M.: *Historical Theory*
10. Lemon, M. C.: *Philosophy of History*
11. Cannadine, D. (ed.): *What is History Now?*
12. Elton, G. R.: *The Practice of History*
13. Sreedharan, E.: *A Textbook of Historiography*
14. Sarkar, S.: *Writing Social History*
15. Inden, R.: *Imagining India*
16. Bandopadhyay, S.: *From Plassey to Partition*
17. Budd, A.: *The Modern Historiography Reader - Western Sources*
18. Gilderhus, M. T.: *History and Historians*
19. Iggers, G. G. & Wang, E.: *Global History of Modern Historiography*
20. Amales Tripathi: *Itihas o Aitihasik*

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SEMESTER I

HIS 103

STATE AND ECONOMY IN COLONIAL INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: The colonial state: Brief overview of British expansion in India – British Parliament and the East India Company – Structure of administration: police, judiciary, bureaucracy, army.

UNIT II: The colonial ideology: Orientalist and Utilitarian phases; paternalist attitude – White racism – Divide and rule policy – Social and cultural policies.

GROUP B

UNIT III: The colonial economy and its impact (1): Changing pattern of English trade – Land revenue settlements – Commercialisation of agriculture.

UNIT IV: The colonial economy and its impact (2): Decline of traditional handicrafts – Emergence of modern industries and colonial industrial policy – impact of railways.

Suggested Reading:

1. Bandopadhyay, S.: *Bengal: Rethinking History*
2. Bandopadhyay, S.: *Plassey to Partition/ Palashi Theke Partition*
3. Banerjee, A. C.: *Constitutional History of India*
4. Bhattacharya, S.: *Approaches to History*
5. Bhattacharya, S. (ed.): *The Contested Terrain*
6. Bhattacharya, S.: *Ouponibeshik Bharater Arthaniti*
7. Bose, N. S.: *Racism, Struggle for Equality, and Indian Nationalism*
8. Bose, S & Jalal, A.: *Modern South Asia*
9. Bose, S.: *Peasant Labour and Colonial Capital*
10. Chattopadhyay, B.: *Crime and Control in Early Colonial India*
11. Desika Char, S.: *Readings in Constitutional History of India*
12. Fisher, M. H.(ed.): *The Politics of British Annexation in India*
13. Ghosh, S. C.: *The History of Education in Modern India*

14. Guha, R.: *A Rule of Property in Bengal*
15. Kerr, I. J.(ed.): *Railways in Modern India*
16. Kumar, D. (ed.): *The Cambridge Economic History of India (Volume 2)*
17. Marshall, P. J.: *East Indian Fortunes*
18. Metcalf, T. R.: *Ideologies of the Raj*
19. Ray, R. K. (ed.): *Entrepreneurship and Industry in India*
20. Roy, T.: *East India Company*
21. Roy, T.: *The Economic History of India*
22. Sarkar, S.: *Modern India/Adhunik Bharat*
23. Singha, R.: *A Despotism of Law*
24. Stein (ed.): *The Making of Agrarian Policy in British India*
25. Subramanian, L.: *History of India, 1707-1857*

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SEMESTER I

Compulsory Course (iv)

HIS 104

INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION (I)

The Nature of the Industrial Revolution & the English Experience

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Defining the Industrial Revolution – validity of the concept of ‘Industrial Revolution’ – why did the Industrial Revolution first occur in England? – Chronology of the British Industrial Revolution.

UNIT II: Proto Industrialization – Demographic Revolution – Agricultural Revolution; Enclosures in Britain – Commercial Revolution & Transport Revolution.

GROUP B

UNIT IV: England: The 18th century background – the adoption of Free Trade – role played by labour, capital, banks, government – role of technology and science in the Industrial Revolution – the concept of a leading sector – Cotton Industry & Iron Industry.

UNIT IV: Legislations and human dimensions – changes in the occupational structure – conditions of work – social attitude – women and child labour – Factory Acts – labour organizations – standards of living.

Suggested Reading:

1. Ashton, T. S.: *Iron and Steel in the Industrial Revolution*
2. Bhattacharya, H.: *Britaine Shipabiplab O Tarpar*
3. Chambers, J. D. and Mingay, G. E.: *The Agricultural Revolution, 1750-1880*
4. Chapman, S. D.: *The Cotton Industry in the Industrial Revolution*
5. Cipolla, Carlo M.: *The Industrial Revolution, 1700-1914* (The Fontana Economic History of Europe.)
6. Clapham, J. H.: *An Economic History of Modern Britain (Volume 1)*
7. Clapham, J. H.: *The Bank of England* (2volumes)
8. Deane, P.: *The First Industrial Revolution*
9. Deane, P. & Cole, W. A: *British Economic Growth, 1688-1959*
10. Flinn, M. W.: *Origins of the Industrial Revolution*
11. Habakkuk, H. J.: *Population Growth and Economic Development since 1750*
12. Habakkuk, H. J. and M. M. Postan, (eds.): *The Cambridge Economic History of Europe* (Volume 6)
13. Hammond, J. L. and B.: *The Village Labourer, 1760-1832.*
14. Hartwell, R. M. (ed.): *The Causes of the Industrial Revolution in England*
15. Hill, C.: *Reformation to Industrial Revolution, 1530-1780*
16. Hobsbawm, E. J.: *Industry and Empire: From 1750 to the Present Day*
17. Hyde, C. K.: *Technological Change in the British Iron Industry, 1700-1870*
18. Jackman, W. T.: *The Development of Transportation in Modern England*
19. Kreidte, P., Medick, H. & Schlumbohm, J.: *Industrialization Before Industrialization*
20. Landes, D.: *Unbound Prometheus: Technological Change and Industrial Development in Western Europe from 1750*
21. Mantoux, Paul: *The Industrial Revolution in the Eighteenth Century*
22. Mathias, P.: *The First Industrial Nation: The Economic History of Britain, 1700-1914*
23. Mingay, G. E.: *Enclosure and the Small Farmer in the Age of the Industrial Revolution*

24. Nef, J.: 'The Progress of Technology and the Growth of Large-scale Industry in Great Britain, 1540-1640.'. Reprinted in Carus-Wilson (ed.): *Essays in Economic History (Volume 1)*
25. Rostow, W. W.: *The Stages of Economic Growth*
26. Schumpeter, E. B.: *English Overseas Trade Statistics, 1697-1808*
27. Sills, David L. (ed.): *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences (Volume 7)*
28. Taylor, A. J.: *Laissez-faire and State Intervention in Nineteenth-century Britain*
29. Thompson, E.: *The Making of the English Working Class*

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SEMESTER II

Compulsory Course (v)

HIS 201

STATE AND ECONOMY IN EARLY MODERN INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

Unit I: State and economy in early modern India: the establishment of a centralized state under the Mughals; emphasis on military and revenue administration – extension of the core Mughal model into other areas viz. Gujarat, Ahmadnagar, Bengal.

UNIT II: Impact on agrarian society, especially in terms of the high revenue demand – relationship between the state and the landed elites viz. social and administrative – expansion and integration of the agrarian base during the Mughal period; drive for revenue and the new agrarian frontiers.

GROUP-B

UNIT III: Indian economy and the Indian Ocean: trade network and commerce; transformations since the 15th century – maritime merchants in the Indian Ocean region – Indian merchants and their participation in the Indian Ocean and hinterland or internal trade.

UNIT IV: Trade and the Indian Economy: flow of precious metals and currency – the state and the need for monetization – mint administration and towns – internal and overseas markets – inland trade networks.

Suggested Reading:

1. Habib, I: *Agrarian System of Mughal India*
2. Moreland W. H.: *India at the Death of Akbar*
3. Moreland, W. H.: *From Akbar to Aurangzeb*
4. Hasan, S. N.: *Thoughts on Agrarian Relations in Mughal India*
5. Siddiqui, N. A.: *Land Revenue Administration under the Mughals*
6. Chandra, S.: *Medieval India: Society, the Jagir Crisis and the Village*
7. Subramanyam, S. & Alam, M.: *The Mughal State*
8. Richards, J. F.: *The Mughal Empire*
9. Dasgupta, A.: *The World of the Indian Ocean Merchants, 1500-1800. Collected Essays of Ashin Dasgupta*
10. Raychaudhuri, T. & Habib, I (eds.): *The Cambridge Economic History of India (Volume 1)*
11. Chaudhuri, K. N.: *The Trading World of Asia and English East India Company*
12. Datta, R. (ed.): *Rethinking a Millennium: Perspectives on Indian History from the Eighth to the Eighteenth Century*

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SEMESTER II

Compulsory Course (vi)

HIS 202

SOCIAL HISTORY OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND MEDICINE IN INDIA: COLONIAL PERIOD

Lectures: 60

Group A

UNIT I: Colonial Science – considerations of the colonial power underpinning scientific and technological initiatives of British India – British surveys in India as colonial forms of knowledge – technology and the colonial project of India's development – Departments of Irrigation, Agriculture, Public Works, Railways – role of Asiatic Society of Bengal.

UNIT II: Western medicine in an Indian environment – colonial government, public health and state medicine – emergence of the study of tropical diseases – underpinnings of colonial power in epidemiology in colonial India – role of scientific education and technical institutions – government and private colleges – engineering and medical colleges – involvement of women in science education.

Group B

UNIT III: Nationalist science as a counter-discourse of colonial science; claim of an ancient 'national' scientific tradition for India; the search for 'scientific' texts from 'antiquity' – Nationalist medicine: Ayurveda, Unani, nationalist adoption of Homeopathy.

UNIT IV: Nationalism and the founding of institutions and associations for scientific research – Swadeshi technology: in theory and practice – response to western science: failures and successes – modern scientific outlook and the ‘women question’.

Suggested Reading:

1. Arnold, D.: *The New Cambridge History of India III – 5: Science, Technology and Medicine in Colonial India*
2. Baber, Z.: *The Science of Empire*
3. Chakraborty, P.: *Western Science in Modern India*
4. Kumar, D.: *Science and the Raj*
5. Sangwan, S.: *Science, Technology and Colonization: An Indian Experience*
6. Bernal, J. D.: *Science in History* (2 volumes)
7. Arnold, D.: *Colonizing the Body – State Medicine and Epidemic Disease in Nineteenth Century India*
8. Lourdasamy, J.: *Science and National Consciousness in Bengal, 1870-1930*
9. Habib, S. I. & Raina, D. (eds.): *Social History of Science in Colonial India*
10. Harrison, M.: *Public Health in British India*
11. Dasgupta, S.: *Jagdish Chandra Bose and the Indian Response to Western Science*
12. Kumar, D. & MacLeod, R. (eds.): *Technology and the Raj*
13. Prakash, G.: *Another Reason – Science and Imagination in Modern India*
14. Erns, W.: *Mad Tales from the Raj: The European Insane in British India, 1800 – 1858*
15. Roy, K.: *History of Public Health – Colonial Bengal, 1921 – 1947*
16. Bala. P.: *Imperialism and Medicine in Bengal*
17. Rahman, A.: *Science and Technology in Indian Culture*
18. Bose, P. K. (ed.): *Health and Society in Bengal*
19. Palit, C. et al: *Science, Technology, Medicine and Environment in India – In Historical Perspective*
20. Samanta, A.: *Malarial Fever in Colonial Bengal, 1820 – 1939*

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SEMESTER II

Compulsory Course (vii)

HIS 203

INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION (II)

THE CONTINENTAL EXPERIENCE

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Concepts of the Industrial Revolution: theories of revolution, evolution, economic growth; 19th century industrial crises – Proto-industrialisation – Agricultural Revolution – Sustitution Process theory – Technology and the ‘latecomers’.

UNIT II: France: Conditions in the ancient regime – prospects and problems in the Revolutionary-Napoleonic Period – Restoration and the return to Protectionism – Napoleon III and his ‘booster’ policies – decline in the post-1870 period?

GROUP B

UNIT III: Germany: Backwardness in the German states in 1815 – Prussian imperatives; Zollverin and the railways – growth in the period 1850-1870 – Bismarck’s policies – situation up to 1914.

UNIT IV: Russia: Backwardness in the mid-19th century – Emancipation Edict and its effects – trends in the period 1860s-1870s – initiatives of Vishnegradsky and Witte – Stolypin reforms – situation up to 1914.

Suggested Reading:

1. Blum, J.: *The End of the Old Order in Europe*
2. Braudel, F.: *Capitalism and Material Life*
3. Bury, J.: *France, 1814-1945*
4. Carr, W.: *A History of Germany, 1814-1945*
5. Cipolla, C. (ed.): *Economic History of Europe. Volumes (3 & 4)*
6. Cipolla, C.: *Before the Industrial Revolution*
7. Clapham, J.: *The Economic Development of France and Germany*
8. Gatrell, P.: *The Czarist Economy*
9. Habbakuk, H. & Postan, G. (eds.): *Economic History of Europe (Volumes 6-8).*
10. Henderson, W.: *Industrial Revolution on the Continent*
11. Hobsbawm, E.: *Industry and Empire*
12. Kemp, T.: *Industrialisation in the 19th Century*
13. Mantoux, P.: *The Industrial Revolution in the Eighteenth Century*
14. Medick, H., Kriedte, P., Schlumbohm, J.: *Industrialisation Before Industrialisation*
15. Price, R.: *An Economic History of Modern France*
16. Rostow, W. W.: *Stages of Economic Growth*
17. Stephenson, G.: *A History of Russia, 1812-1945*
18. Trebilcock, C.: *The Industrialisation of the Continental Powers*
19. Wallerstein, E.: *The Modern World System*

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SEMESTER II

Compulsory Course (viii)

HIS 204

ANTI-COLONIAL RESISTANCE AND MODERN NATIONALISM IN INDIA

GROUP A

UNIT I: Historiography: understanding nation and nationalism – an overview of traditional resistance movements – the new professional urban elite and the politics of associations – political programme of Indian nationalism – the constitutional methods – expressions of Moderate nationalism – the economic critic of colonialism – the Extremist challenge.

UNIT II: Partition of Bengal – the Swadeshi Movement – militant nationalism, in India & abroad – impact of World War I – emergence of Gandhi – Non Cooperation – Khilafat.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Civil Disobedience – second phase of militant nationalism; the Chittagong Armoury Raid; the Battle of Jalalabad; Surya Sen; Binoy Badal Dinesh; Rashbehari Bose – Quit India – World War II and anti- fascist movement – the role of the Left – Netaji and Azad Hind Fauz – Royal India Navy Mutiny – an ‘Almost Revolution’.

UNIT IV: Peasants – Workers – Caste – Gender and the national movement – Detractors of nationalism – Communalism as Backdoor Nationalism; the Two-Nation Theory – prelude to partition.

Suggested Reading:

1. Baker, C. J.: *An Indian Rural Economy: The Tamilnad Countryside*
2. Bose, S.: *Agrarian Bengal : Economy, Social Structure and Politics, 1919-1947*
3. Jalal, A.: *The Sole Spokesman: Jinnah, the Muslim League and the Demand for Pakistan*
4. Cohn, B.: *Colonialism and its Forms Knowledge: The British in India*
5. Bose, S.: *Peasant Labour and Colonial Capital: Rural Bengal Since 1770*
6. Guhe, R.: *Elementary Aspects of Peasant Insurgency in Colonial India*
7. Prakash, G. (ed.): *The World of the Rural Labourer in Colonial India*
8. Chaudhuri, S. B.: *Civil Disturbances during British Rule in India, 1765-1857*
9. Marx, K. (with Engels. F.): *The First Indian War of Independence, 1857-1859*
10. Mukherjee, R.: *Awadh in Revolt: A Study of Popular Resistance*
11. Roy, T.: *The Politics of a Popular Uprising: Bundelkhand in 1857*
12. Sen, S.N.: *Eighteen Fifty-Seven*
13. Stokes, E.: *The Peasant and the Raj: Studies in Agrarian Society and Peasant Rebellion in Colonial India*
14. Dutt, R. C.: *Economic History of India (Volume 2)*
15. Gopal, S.: *British Policy in India, 1858-1905*
16. Metcalf, T.: *The Aftermath of Revolt: India 1857-1870*
17. Naoroji, D.: *Poverty and Un-British Rule in India*
18. Sarkar, S.: *Modern India, 1885-1947*
19. Tomlinson, B.R.: *The Economy of Modern India*

20. Ahmad, R.: *The Bengal Muslims: 1871-1906: A Quest for Identity*
21. Chakrabarty, D.: *Rethinking Working Class History: Bengal, 1890-1940*
22. Chakrabarty, H.: *Political Protest in Bengal : Boycott and Terrorism, 1905-18*
23. Chatterjee, P.: *Nationalist Thought and the Colonial World: A Derivative Discourse?*
24. Hardiman, D. (ed.): *Peasant Resistance in India 1858-1914*
25. Kaviraj, S.: *The Unhappy Consciousness. Bankimchandra Chattopadhyay and the Formation of Nationalist Discourse in India*
26. Murshid, T.: *The Sacred and the Secular*
27. Amin, S.: 'Gandhi as Mahatma: Gorakhpur District, Eastern U.P 1921-22'
28. Hasan, M.: *Nationalism and Communal Politics in India 1916-1928*
29. Jeffrey, R. (ed.): *People, Princes, and Paramount Power. Society and Politics in the Indian Princely States*
30. Nanda, B.R.: *Gandhi: Pan –Islamism, Imperialism and Nationalism in India*
31. Page, D.: *Prelude to Partition: The Indian Muslims and the Imperial System of Control 1920-1932*

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SEMESTER III

Compulsory Course (ix)

HIS 301

SOUTH WEST BENGAL: 17TH & 18TH CENTURIES

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Southwestern Bengal in the Mughal *subah* of Bengal – local structures of power and central authority in *subah* Bengal – links with Orissa; Alivardi Khan's campaigns.

UNIT II: The agrarian society and the local economy of south-western Bengal – internal trade network and commodities – non-agrarian production centres of the region and European commercial interests

GROUP B

UNIT III: Establishment of British rule in south-west Bengal – the transformation of *chakla* Midnapur into a Collectorship – redrawing of provincial boundaries and the new colonial administration.

UNIT IV: Early land-revenue experiments in the region – its impact – towards a permanent settlement – reaction to agrarian intervention – resistance.

Suggested Reading:

1. Sarkar, J. (ed.): *The History of Bengal – the Muslim Period*
2. Price, J. C.: *Notes on the History of Midnapore*
3. O'Malley, L. S. S.: *Bengal District Gazetteer: Midnapore*
4. Hunter, W. W.: *A Statistical Account of Bengal (Volume 3)*
5. Das, B. S.: *Civil Rebellion in Bengal Frontier*
6. McLane, J. R.: *Land and Local Kingship in Bengal*
7. Saha, P. K.: *Some Aspects of Malla Rule in Bengal: Bishnupur, 1590-1800*
8. Ray R.: *Change in Bengal Agrarian Society*
9. Marshall P. J.: *Bengal: the British Bridgehead: Eastern India, 1740-1828*
10. Panda, C.: *The Decline of the Bengal Zamindars*
11. Sinha, N. K.: *Economic History of Bengal (Volume 2)*
12. Bhowmik, S.: *Medinipur Boichitrotnoy Itihas*
13. Chaudhuri, R.: *Bankura Jelat Itihas*

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SEMESTER III

Compulsory Course (x)

HIS 302

SOCIAL HISTORY OF COLONIAL INDIA (I)

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Changing face of a discipline: What is society? – Social history to history of society – Competing visions of Indian society: Missionary, Orientalist, Utilitarian, and Nationalist perceptions of Indian past and society.

UNIT II: Caste: Institution of caste and its features; caste mobility in traditional Indian society – Elements of change in the 19th century: colonial sociology and Indian response – Lower caste aspirations and the Nationalist movement.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Tribe: Changing concepts of tribe: essentialism to constructionism; validity of the concept of tribe and features of tribal society in India – 19th century changes and resultant confrontation: some tribal revolts like Santal, Munda, and Bhumij.

UNIT IV: Religion: Theories about origins of religion and its social role: Animism, Naturism, and Evolutionism; Marx, Durkheim, and Weber – Indian religions: features, social role, and plurality – Overview of religious movements in colonial India.

Suggested Reading:

1. Ahuja, R.: *Society in India*
2. Bandopadhyay, S. (ed.): *Bengal: Rethinking History*
3. Bandopadhyay, S. (ed.): *Caste, Culture and Hegemony*
4. Bandopadhyay, S.: *Caste, Politics and the Raj*
5. Betaille, A.: *Society and Politics in India*
6. Burke, P.: *History and Social Theory*
7. Cannadine, D. (ed.): *What is History Now?*
8. Chatterjee-Dube, I.(ed.): *Caste in History*
9. Das, V.: *Handbook of Indian Sociology*
10. deValle, S.: *Discourses of Ethnicity*
11. Dube, S. C.: *Indian Society*
12. Forbes, G.: *Women in Modern India*
13. Giddens, A.: *Sociology*
14. Haralambos, M. & Heald, R. M.: *Sociology*
15. Kolenda, P.: *Caste in Contemporary India*
16. Marwick, A.: *The Nature of History*
17. Sanyal, H.: *Social Mobility in Bengal*
18. Sanyal, H.: *Swarajer Pathe*
19. Sakar, S.: *Writing Social History*
20. Stokes, E.: *The English Utilitarians and India*
21. Stone, L.: *The Past and the Present Revisited*
22. Tosh, J.: *The Pursuit of History*
23. Sinha, P.: *Calcutta in Urban History*
24. Srinivas, M. N.: *Social Change in Modern India*
25. Thapar, R.: *History of Early India*

26. van Schendel, W. & Ball, E.: *The Many Peoples of Bengal*/ Bandopadhyay, S. & Dasgupta (eds.): *Jati, Barna o Bangali Samaj*

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SEMESTER III

Compulsory Course (xi)

HIS 303

CONTEMPORARY INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: The Indian State, continuity and change: aftermath of Partition – the colonial legacy – the National Movement and its legacy: evolution of the constitution – integration of the princely states and north eastern states – linguistic reorganization of the states multiculturalism and plurilingual traditions as reflected in literature theatre, art and cinema – sports : the making of a nation.

UNIT II: Consolidation of India as a Nation: the democratic experiment – political parties – the Socialist hope – the Emergency – coalition politics – caste: dalit and minority politics –

emergence of Adivasi as a political category – women's rights and law – revival and growth of communalism.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Economy planning and development policy: land reforms – technology and technological policy – development discourse – industry – nationalization to liberalization – ecology and environment – protest discourse.

UNIT IV: Foreign policy, a critical introspection – Non-Alignment to SAARC – defence and nuclear policy.

Suggested Reading:

1. Chandra, B. et al (ed.): *India After Independence*
2. Guha, R.: *India After Gandhi*
3. Bhatia, K: *The Ordeal of Nationhood*
4. Kothari, R: *Politics in India*
5. Vanaik, A.: *The Painful Transition. Bourgeois Democracy in India*
6. Brass, P. R.: *The Politics of India Since Independence*
7. Chandra, B.: *Essays on Contemporary India*
8. Baxi, U & Parekh, B. (eds.): *Crisis and Change in Contemporary India*
9. Jalan, B.: *The Indian Economy : Problems and Prospects*
10. Karlekar, H.: *Independent India. The First Fifty Years*
11. Sen, A: *The Argumentative Indian: Writings on Indian History, Culture and Identity*
12. Kumaramangalam, S. M.: *India's Language Crisis*
13. Kaul, J. M.: *Problems of National Integration*

14. Nirmal Kumar Bose :- (I) 'Change in Tribal Culture Before and After Independence', *Man in India*, Vol. 44, No. 1. (II) 'Integration of Tribes in Andhra Pradesh', *Man in India*, Vol. 44, No. 2
15. Prasad, B.: *Gandhi, Nehru and J.P. Studies in Leadership*
16. Namboodiripad, E. M. S.: *Economics and Politics of India's Socialist Pattern*
17. Pande, B. N.: *A Centenary History of the Indian National Congress, (Volume IV)*
18. Subrahmanyam, K.: *Evolution of Indian Defence Policy (1947-1964)*
19. Nanda, B. R.: *Indian Foreign Policy: The Nehru Years*

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SEMESTER III

Optional Course (i)

HIS 304 (i)

Ideas and Thoughts in Modern India: Select Themes & Personalities

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Early Nationalist Responses: thoughts of Rammohan Roy – Bankimchandra Chattopadhyay's ideas in shaping Nationalism – Moderate ideology of M. G. Ranade – Extremist Ideology of B. G. Tilak – Hinduism: Swami Vivekananda and Sri Aurobindo Ghosh.

UNIT II: Hindutva: Dayanand Saraswati; VD Savarkar; MS Golwalkar – Muslim thought: Sir Syed Ahmed Khan; Mohammed Iqbal; Mohammed Ali Jinnah – Communist

thought: MN Roy; EMS Namboodiripad – Socialist thought: Rammanohar Lohia; Jayaprakash Narayan.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Nation & Identity Concern: Jyotiba Phule; Sree Narayan Guru; E. V. Ramaswamy Naicker; Jaipal Singh; Pandita Ramabai – Ideas & views on education: Pandit Ishwarchandra Vidyasagar; Sir Asutosh Mukherjee; Acharya Satishchandra Mukhopadhyay.

UNIT IV: Makers of Modern India: thoughts and ideas of M. K. Gandhi – Rabindranath Tagore – Subhaschandra Bose – B. R. Ambedkar – Maulana Abul Kalam Azad – Jawaharlal Nehru.

Suggested Reading:

1. Abduhu, G. R.: *The Educational Ideas of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad*
2. Alam, J: *India: Living with Modernity*
3. Ahmed, A. F. S.: *Social Ideas and Social Change in Bengal, 1818-1835*
4. Appadorai, A., *Documents on Political Thought in Modern India (Volumes 1 & 2)*
5. Argov, D.: *Moderates and Extremists in the Indian Nationalist Movement, 1883-1920*
6. Basu, A.: *The Growth of Education and Political Development in India, 1898-1920*
7. Bishop, D. H. (ed.): *Thinkers of the Indian Renaissance*
8. Breecher, M.: *Nehru: A Political Biography*
9. Chakravarti, U.: *Rewriting History: Life and Times of Pandita Ramabai*
10. Chatterjee, P.: *Nationalist Thought & the Colonial World: A Derivative Discourse*
11. Chaudhuri, C.: *Rammanohar Lohia and the Indian Socialist Thought*

12. Chousalkar, A.: *Indian Idea of Political Resistance: Aurobindo, Tilak, Gandhi and Ambedkar*
13. Crocker, W.: *Nehru: A Contemporary's Estimate*
14. Deshpande, G. P. (ed.): *Selected Writings of Jotirao Phule.*
15. Golwalkar, M. S.: *Bunch of Thoughts*
16. Gopal, S.: *Jawaharlal Nehru: A Biography*
17. Gore, M. S.: *The Social Context of an Ideology: Ambedkar's Political and Social Thought*
18. Graham, B. D.: *Hindu Nationalism and Indian Politics: The Origins and Development of the Bharatiya Jana Sangh*
19. Guha, R.: *India after Gandhi: The History of the World's Largest Democracy*
20. Guha, R. (ed.): *Makers of Modern India*
21. Hameed, S. S.: *Maulana Azad, Islam and the Indian National Movement*
22. Hardiman, David: *Gandhi: In His Time and Ours*
23. Heehs, P.: *Situating Sri Aurobindo: A Reader*
24. Iyer, R. N.: *The Moral and Political Thought of Mahatma Gandhi*
25. Jagirdar, P. J.: *Studies in the Social Thought of M. G. Ranade*
26. Jalal, A.: *The Sole Spokesman: Jinnah, the Muslim League and the Demand for Pakistan*
27. Jones, K. W.: *Socio-Religious Reform Movements in British India*
28. Jordans, J. T. F.: *Dayananda Saraswati: Essays on His Life and Ideas.*
29. Joshi, V. C. (ed.): *Rammohun Roy and the Process of Modernization in India*
30. Karunakaran, K. P.: *Indian Politics from Dadabhai Naoroji to Gandhi: A Study of the Political Ideas of Modern India*
31. Kaviraj, S.: *The Unhappy Consciousness: Bankimchandra Chattopadhyaya and the formation of Discourse in India*
32. Keer, D.: *Dr. Ambedkar, Life and Mission*
33. Keer, D.: *Veer Savarkar*
34. Kosambi, M. (ed.): *Pandita Ramabai through Her Own Words: Selected Works*
35. Kumar, R. (ed.): *Essays on Gandhian Politics*

36. Majumder, B. B.: *History of Indian Social and Political Ideas: From Rammohan to Dayananda*
37. Mujeeb, M.: *The Indian Muslims*
38. Nanda, B. R.: *Gokhale: The Indian Moderates and the British Raj*
39. Robertson, B. C.: *Raja Rammohan Roy: The Father of Modern India*
40. Rodrigues, V. (ed.): *The Essential Writings of B. R. Ambedkar*
41. Sarkar, S.: *Writing Social History*
42. Savarkar, V. D.: *Hindu Rashtra Darshan*
43. Scarfee, A. & W.: J. P.: *His Biography*
44. Schimmel, A.: *Gabriel's Wing: A Study into the Religious Ideas of Sir Mohammad Iqbal*
45. Sen, A. P. (ed.): *Social and Religious Reform: The Hindus of British India*
46. Sen, A. P.: *Swami Vivekananda*
47. Sharma, J.: *Terrifying Vision: M. S. Golwalkar, the RSS and India*
48. Shay, T. L.: *The Legacy of Lokmanya: The Political Philosophy of Bal Gangadhar Tilak*
49. Tripathi, A.: *Vidyasagar: The Traditional Modernizer*
50. Tucker, R. P.: *Ranade & the Roots of Indian Nationalism*
51. Wolpert, S.: *Jinnah of Pakistan*
52. Wolpert, S.: *Tilak and Gokhale: Revolution and Reform in the Making of Modern India*

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SEMESTER III

Optional Course (ii)

HIS 304 (ii)

SOUTH-WEST BENGAL: 19TH AND 20TH CENTURIES

Lectures: 60

Group A

UNIT I: South-West Bengal in Colonial period: impact of western education and ideas – growth of western educated local intelligentsia – new educational institutions and response of indigenous elites – emergence of modern professions – social consequences of westernization – newspapers and periodical journals.

UNIT II: Emergence of modern politics – rise of local leadership – Swadeshi militant nationalism – Non Cooperation mobilization – Civil Disobedience Movement – second phase of the revolutionary politics – Quit India movement.

Group B

UNIT III: Emergence of left wing politics – condition of the working class and peasants; their mobilization – students' response to radicalism.

UNIT IV: Condition of women, tribes and castes – Utkal Brahmins of Midnapur – ecology and environment; natural disasters; the Famine of 1943 and its impact on local society.

Suggested Reading:

1. Hunter, W. W.: *A Statistical Account of Bengal (volume 3)*
2. Hunter, W. W.: *Annals of Rural Bengal*
3. O'Malley, L. S. S.: *Bengal District Gazzetteer, Midnapore.*
4. Price, J. C.: *Notes on the History of Midnapore*
5. Majumdar, R. C.: *History of the Freedom Movement in India (Volumes 1 & 2)*
6. Samanta, A. (ed.): *Terrorism in Bengal (6 volumes)*
7. Chatterjee, P. K. (ed.): *Midnapore's Tryst with Struggle*
8. Das, B. S.: *Changing Profile in Frontier Bengal.*
9. Barui, B. C.: *Salt Industry in Bengal*
10. Chakraborty, B.: *Local Politics and Indian Nationalism, Midnapur, 1919 – 1944*
11. Panda, C.: *Decline of the Bengal Zaminders*
12. Risley, H. H.: *The Tribes and Castes in Bengal (Volumes 1 & 2)*
13. Greenough, P.: *Prosperity and Misery in Modern Bengal – The Famine of 1943 – 1944*
14. Bhowmick, S. P.: *History of the Bengal Nagpur Railway Working Class Movement with special reference to Kharagpur*
15. Pal, R.: *Women of Midnapore in Indian Freedom Struggle*
16. Sanyal, H. R.: *Swarajer Pathe*
17. Basu, J. C.: *Medinipurer Itihas*
18. Chaudhuri, R. M.: *Bankurajaner Itihas Sanskriti*
19. Roy, P. & Das, B. S. (eds.): *Medinipur: Itihas O Sanskritir Bibartan, Volumes 1-5*
20. Bhattacharyya, T.: *Medinipur, Bankura, Purulia (3 books)*

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SEMESTER III

Optional Course (iii)

HIS 304 (iii)

HISTORY OF MEDICINE IN COLONIAL INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Evolution of history of medicine from ancient times to the modern era: an overview – different systems of medical knowledge in India – historiography and various debates on history of medicine in colonial India – Colonialism, climate and race – Imperialism and tropical medicine.

UNIT II: History of psychiatry: its evolution and the changing nomenclature – a study of the asylums of India, particularly Bengal from the early nineteenth century to mid twentieth century.

Group B

UNIT III: The evolution of medicine in India from bedside to laboratory: the advent of hospitals, laboratories and the role of public health and sanitation – history, prevention and control of diseases: Cholera, Small Pox and Tuberculosis – Medicine and colonial army.

UNIT IV: Women, health and medicine: women in medical education, motherhood and reproductive health – Marie Stopes' manual on health and family.

Suggested Reading:

1. Arnold, D.: *Imperial Medicine and Indigenous Societies*
2. Arnold, D.: *Colonizing the Body: State Medicine and Epidemic Disease in Nineteenth Century India*
3. Arnold, D.: *Warm Climates and Western Medicine: Emergence of Tropical Medicine 1500 – 1900*, Clio Medica, Volume 35, 1996
4. Arnold, D.: *Science, Technology and Medicine in Colonial India*, Cambridge
5. Attewell, G.: *Refiguring Unani Tibb: Plural Healing in Late Colonial India*
6. Bala, P.: *Imperialism and Medicine in Bengal*
7. Bala, P. (ed): *Contesting Colonial Authority Medicine and Indigenous Responses in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century India*
8. Bala, P. (ed): *Medicine and Colonialism*
9. Ballhatchet, K.: *Race, Sex and Class Under the British Raj Imperial Attitudes and Policies and their Critics, 1793 – 1905*
10. Basu, R. & Kumar, D. (eds.): *Medical Encounters in British India*
11. Bhattacharya, S.: *Expunging Variola. The Control and Eradication of Small Pox in India 1947 – 1977*
12. Chakrabarti, P.: *Medicine and Empire 1600 – 1960*
13. Dasgupta, N. and Palit, C.: *An Ancient Indian System of Rasayana Suvarnatatra A Treatise on Alchemy / Rasayana*
14. Dutta, A. & Palit, C. (eds.): *History of Medicine in India. The Medical Encounter*
15. Ernst, W: *Mad Tales from the Raj Colonial Psychiatry in South Asia, 1800 –1858*
16. Harrison, M: *Public Health in British India Anglo Indian Preventive Medicine 1859 – 1914*
17. Harrison, M.: *Climates and Constitutions Health, Race, Environment and British Imperialism in India 1600 – 1850*

18. Kakar, S.: *Shamans, Mystics and Doctors A Psychological Inquiry into India And its Healing Traditions*
19. Kumar D. (ed.): *Disease and Medicine in India A Historical Overview*
20. Kumar, N. (ed.): *Gender and Science Studies Across Cultures*
21. Levine, P.: *Prostitution, Race and Politics Policing Venereal Disease in the British Empire*
22. Mills, J.: *Madness, Cannabis and Colonialism The 'Native Only' Lunatic Asylums of British India, 1857-1900*
23. Mukherjee, P. B.: *Nationalizing the Body. The Medical Market, Print and Dakтари Medicine*
24. Pati, B. and Harrison, M. (eds.): *Health, Medicine and Empire Perspectives on Colonial India*
25. Pati, B. and Harrison, M. (eds.), *The Social History of Health and Medicine in Colonial India*
26. Porter, R.: *Madness A Brief History*
27. Porter, R.: *The New Cambridge History of Medicine*
28. Sharma, M.: *Indigenous and Western Medicine in Colonial India*, New Delhi

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SEMESTER IV

Compulsory Course (xii)

HIS 401

HISTORY OF MODERN WORLD:

SELECT THEMES, 1919-1945

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: The First World War: historical background; factors that precipitated; nature and impact – Peace Settlement: Fourteen Points of Woodrow Wilson and Paris Peace Conference – some Issues arising out of the War: quest for security; problem of disarmament; problem of reparation – the Great Depression: causes and consequences.

UNIT II: Establishment of a Socialist State in Russia; its economic and political aspects; responses and reactions in the West – Italy and Germany between the Wars; domestic and foreign affairs – politics and ideologies of Fascism & Nazism – France and Great Britain between the Wars – the Policy of Appeasement – Civil War in Spain – The Munich Crisis.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Impact of the Peace Pact of 1919 on West Asia; Mandate system in Middle East – rise of Mustafa Kamal Pasha & the modernization of Turkey – Arab nationalism after World War I; role of Saudi Arab – rise of nationalism in Egypt; Anglo-Egyptian relations during the period between the two World Wars.

UNIT IV: Japan's Supremacy in East Asia – China between the World Wars – emergence of America & Soviet Russia as world powers – origin and nature of World War II.

Suggested Reading:

1. Benms, F. L.: *Europe since 1919*
2. Blanning, T. C. W. (ed.): *The Oxford Illustrated History of Modern Europe*
3. Briggs, A. & P. C.: *Modern Europe, 1789-Present*
4. Brogan, H.: *The Penguin History of the United States of America*
5. Bullock, A.: *Hitler – A Study in Tyranny*
6. Bushkovitch, P.: *A Concise History of Russia*
7. Carr, E. H.: *International Relations between the Two World Wars, 1919-1939*
8. Carr, E. H.: *The Bolshevik Revolution, 1917-1939(3 volumes)*
9. Chakrabarti, R.: *A History of the Modern World: An Outline*
10. Chickering, R., S. F. & B. Greiner, (eds.): *A World at Total War: Global Conflict and the Politics of Destruction, 1937-1945*
11. Clavin, P.: *The Great Depression in Europe, 1929-1939*
12. Cohrs, P. O.: *The Unfinished Peace after World War I: America, Britain and the Stabilization of Europe, 1919-1932*
13. Daly, M. W., ed.: *The Cambridge History of Egypt (Volume 2)*
14. Dickinson, Frederick, R., *World War I and the Triumph of a New Japan*
15. Ebrey, P. B.: *The Cambridge Illustrated History of China*
16. Fisher, S. N.: *The Middle East: A History*
17. Gathorne-Hardy, G. M.: *A Short History of International Affairs, 1920-1938*
18. Hazen, C. D.: *Modern Europe up to 1945*

19. Hsu, I. C. Y.: *The Rise of Modern China*
20. Joll, J.: *Europe since 1870*
21. Joll, J. & G. M.: *The Origins of the First World War*
22. Kasaba, R. (ed.): *The Cambridge History of Turkey (Volume 4: Turkey in the Modern World)*
23. Keylor, W. R.: *The Twentieth Century World – An International History*
24. Kindleberger, C. P.: *The World in Depression, 1929-1939*
25. Langsam, W. C.: *The World since 1919*
26. Lenczowski, G.: *The Middle East in World Affairs*
27. Lewis, B.: *The Emergence of Modern Turkey*
28. Mansfield, P.: *A History of the Middle East*
29. Nish, I.: *Japanese Foreign Policy in the Interwar Period*
30. Nolan, M.: *The Transatlantic Century*
31. Payne, S. G.: *A History of Fascism, 1914-1945*
32. Payne, S. G.: *The Spanish Civil War*
33. Ragsdale, H.: *The Soviets, The Munich Crisis, and the Coming of World War II*
34. Robbins, K.: *Munich 1938*
35. Seton-Watson, R. W.: *Britain and the Dictators: A Survey of Post-War British Policy*
36. Sharp, A.: *The Versailles Settlement: Peacemaking after the First World War, 1919-1923*
37. Sharp, W. R. & Grayson K.: *Contemporary International Politics*
38. Smith, D. M.: *Italy – A Modern History*
39. Smith, J. S.: *A Concise History of the New Deal*

40. Suny, R. G. (ed.): *The Cambridge History of Russia (Volume 3: The Twentieth Century)*
41. Taylor, A. J. P.: *The Struggle for Mastery in Europe, 1848-1918*
42. Taylor, A. J. P.: *The Origins of the Second World War*
43. Thomas, H.: *The Spanish Civil War*
44. Thomson, D.: *Europe since Napoleon*
45. Weinberg, G. L.: *A World at Arms: A Global History of World War II*

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SEMESTER IV

Compulsory Course (xiii)

HIS 402

ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY OF MODERN INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Historiography: Ecology – colonialism as a watershed – Nationalism and the environmental discourse.

UNIT II: Communities on the margin – indigenous societies – changing patterns of livelihood, land use, forest management – colonial and post colonial experiences.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Water and social structure: the sociology of resource use and abuse – technology and ecological change in colonial times – the history of climate change – drought, flood, earthquake – dislocation and migration – consequences.

UNIT IV: Independent India – technology choice – public policy – developmental discourse – distress and protest discourse – the growth of environmental concern in India.

Suggested Reading:

1. Gadgil, M. & Guha, R: *This Fissured and : An Ecological History of India*
2. Arnold, D. & Guha, R.: *Nature Culture and Imperialism: Essays on the Environmental History of South Asia*
3. Grove, R., Damodaran, V., & Sangwan, S. (eds.): *Nature and the Orient: The Environmental History of South and Southeast Asia*
4. Guha, S.: *Environment and Ethnicity in India, 1200-1991*
5. Sivaramakrishnan, K.: *Modern Forests, Statemaking and Environmental Change in Colonial Eastern India*
6. Cederlof, g. & Sivaramakrishnan, K. (eds.): *Ecological Nationalism: Nature, Livelihoods and Identities in South Asia*
7. Mosse, D.: *The Rule of Water, Statecraft, Ecology and Collective Action in South India*
8. Das Gupta, S. & Basu, R. (ed.): *Narratives from the Margins, Aspects of Adivasi History in India*
9. Singh, S.: *Taming the Waters. The Political Economy of Large Dams in India*

10. D'souza, R. (ed.): *Environment, Technology and Development. Critical and Subversive Essays*

11. Baviskar, A.: *Waterscapes, The Cultural Politics of a Natural Resources*

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SEMESTER IV

Compulsory Course (xiv)

HIS 403

CONTEMPORARY WORLD: SELECT THEMES

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: The Cold War and bilateralism in world politics: historiography – ideological and political basis of Cold War – condition in Eastern Europe and Western Europe – formation of the European Union – NATO and its changing role – UNO and the concept of World Peace.

UNIT II: Internationalization of regional tensions: Korea, Vietnam, Cuba, and Kashmir – the Middle East in World politics: birth of Israel; the Palestine Question and Arab-Israel conflict – Suez crisis and oil diplomacy – the Iranian Revolution 1979 – Iraq-Kuwait conflict and Gulf War – the changing face of Afghanistan: Soviet intervention; Talibanism and after.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Historical context of the emergence of the Third World – Developmental issues of the Third World – changing face of Africa and Latin America; politics, economy, culture – the impact of the rise of Communist China in world politics – changing contours of Sino-Soviet (Russian) and Sino-US relations – East Asian economic development.

UNIT IV: Disintegration of the Soviet Union and its impact on international politics – changes in the political order – from bipolar to unipolar World System – international terrorism and its impact on world politics – Globalization: its economic and political impact – economic and technological development in contemporary World – women in contemporary world – society, economy, culture.

Suggested Reading:

1. Williams, W. C. & Piotrowski, H.: *The World since 1945 – A History of International Relations*
2. Calvocoressi, P.: *World Politics 1945 – 2000*
3. Lundestad, G.: *East, West, North, South*
4. Urwin, D.: *Western Europe since 1945*
5. Reynolds, D.: *The origin of the Cold War*
6. Briggs, A. and Clavin, P.: *Modern Europe, 1789 – Present*
7. Chakraborty, B. (ed.): *Exploring Regional Security South and Central Asia*
8. Haynes, J.: *Third World Politics*
9. Hogal, M. J.: *America in the World Politics*
10. Lowe, N.: *Mastering Twentieth Century Russian History*
11. Baylis, J. and Smith, S. (eds.): *The Globalization of World Politics – An Introduction to International Relations*

12. Stokes, G.: *From Stalinism to Pluralism – A Documentary History of Eastern Europe since 1945*
13. Mazrui, A. A. and Tidy, M.: *Nationalism and New States in Africa*
14. Burns, B.: *Latin America: A Concise Interpretative History*
15. Achar, G.: *The Clash of Barbarisms*
16. Oren, M. B.: *Power, Faith and Fantasy – America in the Middle East*

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SEMESTER IV

Optional Course (iv)

HIS 404 (iv)

HISTORICAL METHODS

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Positivist History: the background of Empiricism; observation and prediction in history; criticism of empiricist and positivist history – Whig History; Reason and Progress; contrast with tradition.

UNIT II: Marxist History; the beginnings; Karl Marx, Marxism and History: some general themes – the Monist view of history: Determinism, critique of determinism – structuralism, history from below and new social history.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Annales: the agenda for Total History; Marc Bloch, Lucien Febvre and the early years – Structure, conjuncture and event: the Braudelian perspective.

UNIT IV: The history of mentalities, the history of emotions and the history of everyday life – the return of the narrative – Foucault and the history of power and discourse.

Suggested Reading:

1. Carr, E. H.: *What is History*
2. Collingwood, R. G.: *The Idea of History*
3. Goldstein, L. G.: *Historical Knowing*
4. Murphey, M. G.: *Our Knowledge of the Historical Past*
5. Butterfield, H.: *The Whig Interpretation of History*
6. Cohen, G. A.: *Karl Marx's Theory of History: A Defence*
7. Kay, H.: *The British Marxist Historians*
8. Plekhanov, G.: *The Monist View of History*
9. Anderson, P.: *Arguments within English Marxism*
10. Stoianovich, T.: *The French Historical Method: The Annales Paradigm*
11. Ricoeur, P.: *The Contributions of French Historiography to the Theory of History*
12. Aymard, M. & Mukhia, H.: *French Studies in History*
13. Bloch, M.: *The Historian's Craft*
14. Braudel, F.: *On History*
15. Le Goff, J. & Nora, P. (ed.): *Constructing the Past: Essays in Historical Methodology*
16. Poster, M.: *Foucault, Marxism and History*
17. Burke, P.: *Sociology and History*

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SEMESTER IV

Optional Course (v)

HIS 404 (v)

SOCIAL HISTORY OF COLONIAL INDIA (II)

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Urban society: Urbanisation and urban space: case studies of Calcutta, Burdwan, Midnapore and so on – Classes and masses in the city: professionals and public opinion; elite and popular culture in the city.

UNIT II: Working class: Making of, and consciousness among, mill workers – conditions of work; women and child labour – workers' movements: trends and organization; workers and capitalists; relation with the National movement.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Family and childhood: Family, patriarchy, and gender: social functions of the family; roles and relations within the family – Childhood and children: debates on the ideas of childhood; experience of children and children's literature.

UNIT IV: Media and leisure: Press and literature: changing awareness and sensibilities; relation with wider social and nationalist trends – Sport, theatre, and cinema: emerging arenas and their social role.

Suggested Reading:

1. Ahmed, R.: *The Bengal Muslims*
2. Bandopadhyay, K.: *Scoring Off the Field*
3. Bandopadhyay, S.: *Plassey to Partition (Palashi theke Partition)*
4. Bandopadhyay, S.: *Bengal: Rethinking History*
5. Bandopadhyay: *Caste, Politics and the Raj*
6. Bandopadhyay, S.: *Caste, Culture and Hegemony*
7. Bandopadhyay, S.: *Caste, Protest and Identity in Colonial India*
8. Banga, I.: *The City in Indian History*
9. Bhattacharya, S.: *Approaches to History*
10. Bose, S. & Jalal, A.: *Modern South Asia*
11. S. C. Dube: *Indian Society*
12. Forbes, G.: *Women in Modern India*
13. Gupta, D.: *Social Stratification*
14. Jones, K.: *Socio-Religious Movements in British India*
15. Kolenda, P.: *Caste in Contemporary India*
16. Lal, A.: *The Oxford Companion to Indian Theatre*
17. Misra, B. B.: *The Indian Middle Classes*
18. Ray, B.: *From the Seams of History*
19. Ray, R.K.: *Entrepreneurship and Industry in India*
20. Sanyal, H.: *Social Mobility in Bengal*
21. Sinha, P.: *Calcutta in Urban History*
22. Srinivas, M. N.: *Social Change in Modern India*
23. Thapar, R.: *History of Early India*
24. Walsh, J.: *Growing Up in British India*
25. Basu, S.: *Does Class Matter?*

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SEMESTER IV

Optional Course (vi)

HIS 404 (vi)

SOCIO-RELIGIOUS REFORM MOVEMENTS IN COLONIAL INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: Orientalists, Utilitarians and the Bengal Renaissance – debates on ‘Renaissance’, reform and social Change – evolution of socio-religious reform movements – the difference between social and religious movements – debate over strategies - Vidyasagar and Rammohan Roy.

UNIT II: Reform or Revival – definitions and debates – Hindu shastras and social reform – religion as the basis of social reform – Hindu-Brahmo relations – Prarthana Samaj and Arya Samaj - Vedanta and revitalization of Indian life: Ramkrishna, Vivekananda and the Ramkrishna Mission - response to the movement in press and literature: a review of the work of Bhudeb Mukhopadhyay, Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay, Nabin Chandra Sen, and Akshay Chandra Sarkar.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Nationalism, modernity, and Muslim identity in India before 1947: Islamic reformers and their movements in India - educational movements, faith, and revival movements – Syed Ahmed Khan and the Aligarh Movement, Wahabi Movement, Deoband Movement.

UNIT IV: Muslim women, reform and patronage: a study of Nawab Sultan Jahan Begam of Bhopal – issues on caste and education: Begam Rokeya Sakhawat Hossein and Sarala Debi – issues on widow remarriage and Sati – orthodox Hinduism and the Age of Consent Bill.

Suggested Reading:

1. Ahmad, Q.: *The Wahabi Movement in India*
2. Ahmed, F. A. S.: *Social Ideas and Social Change in Bengal, 1818 – 1835*
3. Dhanagare, N. D.: *Peasant Movements in India, 1920 – 1950*
4. Ghai, K. R.: *Suddhi Movement in India*
5. O' Hanlon, R.: *Caste, Conflict and Ideology*
6. Heimsath, H. C.: *Indian Nationalism and Hindu Social Reform*
7. Hunter, W. W., *The Indian Mussalmans*
8. Hurley, L. S.: *Muslim Women, Reform and Princely Patronage Nawab Sultan Jahan Begam of Bhopal*
9. Jaffrelot, C.: *The Hindu Nationalist Movement and Indian Politics: 1925 to the 1990s*
10. Jones, W. K.: *The New Cambridge History of India Socio- Religious Reform Movements in British India*
11. Kling, B. B.: *The Blue Mutiny: Indigo Disturbances 1859 – 1862*
12. Kopf, D. and Joarder, S.: (eds.) *Reflections on the Bengal Renaissance*
13. Kopf, D.: *British Orientalism and the Bengal Renaissance: The Dynamics of Indian Modernization 1773 – 1835*
14. Kopf, D.: *The Brahmo Samaj and the Shaping of the Modern Indian Mind*
15. Metcalf, D. B.: *Islamic Contestations Essays On Muslims in Indian and Pakistan*

16. Metcalf, D. B.: *Islamic Revival in British India: Deoband 1860 – 1900*
17. Mullatti, L.: *The Bhakti Movement and the Status of Women*
18. Nizami, A. T.: *Muslim Political Thought and Activity in India during the First Half of the 19th Century*
19. Rao, A. S. M.: *Social Movements in India*
20. Reetz, D.: *Islam in the Public Sphere Religious Groups in India 1900 – 1947*
21. Sarkar, S.: *Bibliographical Survey of Social Reform Movements in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries*
22. Sarkar, S.: *On Bengal Renaissance*
23. Sarkar, T.: *Hindu Wife, Hindu Nation Community, Religion and Cultural Nationalism*
24. Sarkar, T.: *Rebels, Wives, Saints Designing Selves and Nations in Colonial Times*
25. Sen, P. A.: *Explorations in Modern Bengal c.1800 – 1900 Essays on Religion, History and Culture*
26. Sen, P. A.: *Social and Religious Reform. The Hindus of British India*
27. Sen, P. S. (ed.): *Social and Religious Reform Movements in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries*
28. Sharma, K.: *Bhakti and the Bhakti Movement, a New Perspective*
29. Singh, P. K.: *Arya Samaj Movement. A Study of Socio Religious, Consciousness in Western U. P 1875 – 1926*

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SEMESTER IV

Optional Course (vii)

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AGRARIAN HISTORY OF COLONIAL INDIA

Lectures: 60

GROUP A

UNIT I: The late pre-colonial background – continuity or change? Layers of control: village community; the jajmani system.

UNIT II: Empire and the perspective of imperialism: the first phase: India being reduced to the status of an underdeveloped agrarian economy – the phase of direct parliamentary rule – the resurgence of a neo-colonial view that India thrived under imperial rule – agricultural productivity and agrarian change.

GROUP B

UNIT III: Land tax and proprietary rights under the colonial rule – the transition – ecological damages – peasants' choices and insecurity – famine, malnutrition, epidemics.

UNIT IV: Transformation of authority, property, and bondage: rural indebtedness – the rise of the rich peasant – plantations – living standards and survival – how constraining was the colonial incubus?

Suggested Reading:

1. Ali, I: *The Punjab under Imperialism*

2. Amin, S.: *Sugar and Sugarcane in Gorakhpur*
3. Baden Powell, H.: *Land Systems in British India*
4. Bajpai, G.: *Agrarian Urban Economy and Social Change*
5. Baker, C. J.: *An Indian Rural Economy*
6. Baker, C. J. & Washbrook, D.: *South India*
7. Blyn, G.: *Agricultural Trends in India*
8. Bose, S.: *Agrarian Bengal*
9. Bose, S.: *Peasant Labour and Colonial Capital*
10. Breman, J.: *Patronage and Exploitation*
11. Catanach, I. J.: *Rural Credit in Western India*
12. Charlesworth, N.: *British Rule and the Indian Economy*
13. Chatterjee, P.: *Bengal, 1920-1947*
14. Frykenburg, R.: *Land Control and Social Structure in Indian History*
15. Islam, S.: *Bengal Land Tenure*
16. Kumar, D. (ed.): *Cambridge Economic History of India (Volume 2)*
17. Kumar, R.: *Western India in the Nineteenth Century*
18. Prakash, G.: *The World of the Rural Labourer in Colonial India*
19. Ray, R.: *Change in Bengal Agrarian Society*
20. Metcalf, T. R.: *Land, Landlords, and the British Raj*

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