

GOVIND GURU TRIBAL UNIVERSITY BANSWARA

B.A Three Year Graduate Course Semester I HISTORY DCC

HISTORY OF ANCIENT INDIA

(From Earliest times to 750 A)

Unit I

- 1. Survey of the Sources: Literary, Archeological & Account of foreign Travelers.
- 2. Prehistory: concept, Geological time-scale in Prehistoric Age, human development, tool techniques.
- 3. Paleolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic cultures.

Unit II

- Protohistory-concept, Harappan civilisation: origin, Urban planning, Political Organisation, Religious Beliefs, Economic Organisation, Decline.
- 2. The Neolithic- chalcolithic cultures outside the Indus system. 3. Vedic Culture: Polity, Economy, Society and Religion.
- 3. 16 mahajanpadas, rise of Magadha.
- 4. Foreign invasions with special referenc to Alexander and their impact. (Persian and macedonian)

Unit III

1. Age of Religious movements: material background, use of Iron plough, Jainism and Buddhism.

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- 2. The Mauryan Age: Sources, Administrative machinery, Economic policies.
- 3. The Mauryan Age: Society and Religion, Ashoka's dhamma, Mauryan art and architecture, decline of the empire.
- 4. Post Mauryan Age: Sources, indigenous kingdoms, foreign powers (Indogreeks, Shakas, Parthians, Kushanas), Trade and Economic Organisations, Society and religion, art and architecture.

Suggested Readings

- 1. Upinder Singh, A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India (From Stone Age to the 12th Century), Pearson Longman, Delhi.
- 2. R.C. Majumdar, The History and Culture of the Indian People, Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan, Bombay.
- 3. D. D. Koshambi, The Culture and Civilisation of Ancient in Histirical Outline.
- 4. Romila Thapar, The Penguin History of Early India (From the Origins to A.D.1300), Penguin Books, Delhi.
- 5. V. D. Mahajan, Ancient India, S. Chand and Company Limited, Delhi.
- 6. Om Prakash, Cultural History of India, New Age International (P) Limited Publications, New Delhi.
- 7. Upinder Singh, Prachin Evam Poorv Madhyakalin Bharat ka Itihas, Pearson Longman, Delhi (Hindi).
- 8. Romila Thapar, Poorvkalin Bharat (Prarambh se 1300 Isvi Tak), Penguin Books, Delhi (Hindi).
- 9. V. D. Mahajan, Prachin Bharat ka Itihas, S. Chandand Company Limited, Delhi (Hindi).
- 10. K. C. Shrivastav, Prachin bharat ka Itihas tatha Sanskriti, United Book Depot, Allahabad (Hindi).
- 11. Jha and Shrimali, Prachin Bharat ka Itihas, Hindi Madhyam Karyanvayan Nideshalay, DilliVishva Vidyalay, New Delhi (Hindi).
- 12. Mohan Lal Gupta, Prachin Bharat ka Itihas, Rajasthani Granthagar, Jodhpur (Hindi).

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B.A Three Year Graduate Course Semester II HISTORY

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(From 750 CE to 1700 CE)

Unit-I

- 1. Sources: Literary, Archaeological, Archival. Foreign Travellers.
- 2. Concept of Early Medieval India.
- 3. Gurjara-Pratiharas, Palas and Rashtrakutas: Tripartite Struggle.
- 4. Arab Invasions and Indian Resistance.
- 5. Invasions of Mahmood Ghazanavi & Muhammad Gori and their Impact.

Unit-II

- 1. Foundation and Consolidation of the Sultanate: Aibak, Iltutmish and Balban.
- 2. Alauddin Khalji: Conquest, administrative and Econimc reforms.
- 3. Sultanate Under Mohammad-bin-Tughglaq and Feroz Shah Tughlaq.
- 4. Sultanate Administration: Theory of Kingship, Iqta System.
- 5. Society and Economy During Sultanate Period.
- 6. Emergence of Regional Empires: Vijaynagar and Bahmani.

<u>Unit-III</u>

- 1. Establishment of the Mughal Empire: Babar and Humayun.
- 2. The second Afghan Empire: Administration of Sher Shah Suri.
- 3. Expansion and Consolidation of the Mughal Empire under Akbar.

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- 1. Upinder Singh- A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India, Pearson Longman, Delhi 2009.
- 2. Upinder Singh, Rethinking Early Medieval India: A Reader, Oxford India Paperbacks, New Delhi.
- 3. Satish Chandra, Medieval Indian History: Politics, Society & Culture, Orient Blackswan, New Delhi.
- 4. K. L. Khurana, Medieval Indian History, Laxhmi Narayan Agarwal, Agra.
- 5. S. P. Nanda, History of Medieval India, Dominant Publishers, New Delhi.
- 6. A.L. Shrivastava, History of India 1000-1707, Shivlal Agarwal& Co. Agra.
- 7. V. D. Mahajan, History of Medieval India, S. Chand & Co, New Delhi.
- 8. V. D. Mahajan, Madhyakalin Bharatk Itihas, S. Chand & Co, New Delhi (Hindi).
- 9. Harishchandra Verma, Madhyakalin bharat, , Hindi Madhyam Karyanvayan Nideshalay, Dilli Vishva Vidyalay, New Delhi (Hindi).
- 10. Mohan Lal Gupta, Madhyakalin Bharat Ka Itihas, Rajasthani Granthagar, Jodhpur (Hindi).

