



DRAVIDIAN UNIVERSITY
Centre for Off-Campus Education & Research
Syllabus for M.Phil/Ph.D History
Paper II: Broad Field

Unit – 1

Source for the study ancient India – artifacts, epigraphy, Numismatics and puranas, Origins of Indian Civilization and Culture – Indus valley, Aryan times – evidence of polity during post Aryan times: important dynasties of ancient India – Mouryas, Guptas, Pallavas and Pandyas.

Unit – II

a) Medieval India – Sultanate period –slave dynasty, Khiljis – Tuglaq dynasty- Mughal times – Bihar, Akbar, Shajahan, Aurangajeb, Shersha’s Administrative reforms: Medieval Economy, Polity and culture.

b) Cholas-Rajaraja-I and Rajendra, kakatiyas of Warangal Ganapatideva, Rudramadevi and Prataprudra, Hoyasalas – Bhallala, Vishnuvardhana, Rayas of Vijayanagara –Harishara & Bukka- Krishnadevaraya.

Unit – III

Advent of Europeans – Trade to polity – Anglo – French Rivalry, Relations of British Rulers with the native rulers in India – Sirajuddaula of Bengal, Marthas, nawabs of Carnatic, Rulers of Mysore State, Nizams of Hyderabad - British Contribution to education and Culture.

Unit – IV

Freedom Struggle, 1857 Revolt-Background of the Indian National congress(1885), period of Prayers & Petitions- Major Movements – Vandematram – Home Rule – Non-Co-operation – Attainment of Freedom.

Unit – V

Free India – Nehru Era- Non Alignment Policy-Panchashila, five years Plans- Indiar Gandhi Times – Indiar Gandhi Times – Abolition of Privy purses & its impact, Nationalization of Banks, Indo-Pak Relations, Creation of Bangladesh –Growth of Education in Free India-Creation of UGC and its Impact on Education, Society and Economy in free India.

Reference

1. A.L.Bhasham. The Wonder that was India
2. R.C.Mjumdar, An Advanced History of India
3. DD Kosambi, An outline of Indian Culture and civilization
4. K.A.Nilkantha Sastry, A History of South India
5. A.L.Srivastsava, the Medieval India
6. Lanepool, The Medieval India
7. N.Venkataramanaiah, The Third Dynasty of Vijayanagara
8. K.A.Nilakantha Sastry, Cholas
9. Bipan Chandra India After Independence (1857-1947)
10. Bipan Chandra India After Independence (1947-2000)
11. Ved Mehta. The New India



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Model WQuestion Paper for M.Phil/Ph.D History
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Time: 3 Hours

Max marks: 100

Answer Any **Five** Questions
All Questions Carry Equal Marks

5x20=100

1. Assess the importance of literary sources in reconstructing Indian History.
2. Describe the cultural life of Aryans.
3. Examine the religion policies of the Mughals.
4. Write an essay on administrative reform of Sher Shah.
5. Examine the methods adopted by the British to establish their supremacy in India
6. Assess the British Contribution to the development of Education in India
7. Examine the factors responsible for the out break of the Revolt of 1857.
8. Write an essay on Home Rule Movement in India.
9. Examine the main ideas of Pandit Nehru in framing Indian Foreign Policy.
10. Examine the Major incidents in Indo Pak Relations.
