

M.A. FINAL, GROUP 'B'

**PAPER-III (B)
MEDIEVAL INDIAN NUMISMATICS**

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Unit-I

Medieval Indian coinage as a course history

- a. Scripts, legends and placing of inscriptions on the coins, bilingual legend.
- b. Islamic type coins – its feature : kalima and names of calliphs, Significance of names and titles.
- c. Dates and place of dating. Minting place.
- d. Importance of regional coins with special reference of Mewar and Marwar.

Unit-II

Coin circulation in Northern and Central India prior to the establishment of Delhi sultanate:

- a. Coinage and Metrology – Bull and Horseman types.
- b. Ghaznavid coins.
- c. Coinage and Metrology of Muizzuddin b. same bull / Horseman, Horseman/legend, and Lami type.

Unit-III

Islamic type coins a.d. its introduction in India by Delhi Sultans:

- a. Coinage and Metrology of Early Turkish and Khalji sultans.
- b. Iltutmish as an introducer of Islamic type coins Tanka, Jital, Bullion and Copper with legend in Nagari.
- c. Coins of Iltutmish's successors Balban discarded Bull/Horseman type. Continuation of Nagari legend.
- d. Coins of Khaljis, Continuation of Balban Pattern Omission and re-introduction of the name of caliphs. Typology of gold silvers bullion and Copper coins of Alauddin Khalji.

Unit-IV

Continuation of Islamic type coins. :

- a. Coinage and Metrology of Tughlaq Sultans. Ghiyasuddin Tughlaq's coins with Kalima and Quranic verses. Token currency.
- b. Coins of Firoz Shah Tughlaq and his successors.
- c. Coinage and Metrology of Sayyid and Lodi Sultans.
- d. Coinage and Metrology of Sur rules – Inscriptional changes, Kalima and names of four great caliphs.

Re - introduction of Nagari Scripts. Increase in weight standard. Absence of bullion and presence of heavy copper coins.

Unit-V

Introduction of Mughal coinage in India :

- a. Shah-rukhi coins - its origin, type, weight and circulation, humayun's coins on the pattern of Sur rules.
- b. Coinage and Metrology of Akbar. Shah - rukhi type. Kalima type, Ilahi, Ram-Sita type, and bird type. Weight standard. Heavy copper coins.
- c. Jahangir's coins-Kalima type, couplet type, Zodiac type and the name of Nurjahan, Coins with increased weight standard.
- d. Coinage and Metrology of shah Jahan and Aurangzeb. Absence of religious types. Introduction of new formula. 'Manus Maimanut Sanah Julus.'

Suggested Readings :

1. Abul Fazl, Ain: i. Akbari, Engl. Tr. Biochmann.
2. Bhandari B.L.: Literary Evidence for Lesser - known Coins of Medieval Rajasthan, in Medieval Indian Coinages.
3. Zilli I. A. Saiyyid: Sultans of Delhi and the issue of coins in the Name of Timurids - Fact or Fiction in Medieval Indian Coinage.

4. Deyell J.S.: Living without Silver: The Monetary History of Early Medieval North India, 2 Vols.
5. Jha Amiteshwar: Medieval Indian Coinages: A Historical and economic perspective. (Ed.)
6. Nelson Wright: The Coinage and Metrology of the Sultans of Delhi.
7. Poole R.S.: The Coins of the Mughal Emperors of Hindustan in the British Museum.
8. Raza S. Jabir: Nomenclature and Titulature of the Early Turkish Sultan of Delhi found in Numismatic Legends. In Medieval Indian Coinages.
9. Poole S. Lane: Catalogues of Oriental Coins in British Museum.
10. Thakkar Pheru: Dravya, Pariksha aur Dhatutpatti. (Ed.) Bhanvarlal Nath.

Unit V

Women and Culture

- a) Literature
- b) Theatre
- c) Films
- d) Historical Writing

Rights of Women