

B.A. (Three Years Degree Program)**First Semester****Subject-History**

Code of the Course	HIS5000T
Title of the Course	HISTORY OF INDIA (From Earliest times to 750 CE)
Qualification Level of the Course	NHEQF Level 4.5
Credit of the course	6 Credits
Type of the course	Discipline Centric Compulsory (DCC)
Delivery type of the Course	90 Hours. 60 Lectures for Content delivery & 15 hours for tutorials, class activity, problem solving & 15 hours for formative & diagnostic assessment.
Prerequisites	Foundation level (Equivalent to 10+2)
Co-requisites	Understanding of the Basic Historical Concepts
Objectives of the course	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To provide an intensive and deep understanding of Ancient Indian History.• To acquaint the students with different sources dealing with early India- archaeological, literary, numismatic, epigraphic etc.• To provide knowledge of various facts of ancient India including social, cultural, political, economic, environmental concerns.• To enable students to explore the diverse histories and regional variations that make India what it is.
Learning outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will be able to learn about the discipline of history as a holistic field of study.• They will go through the significant cultural evidences and know about our rich cultural heritage in form of early artifacts, texts, coins etc.• They will be able to understand the process of early state formation, social framework, economic changes, religious and philosophical traditions.
Syllabus	

<p style="text-align: center;">UNIT-I</p>	<p>A. Survey of the Sources: Literary and Archeological, Ceramic evidences (RW, BRW, OCP, PGW, NBPW). B. Prehistory: Concept, Tools & Techniques. C. Paleolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic cultures.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">18 Hrs</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">UNIT -II</p>	<p>A. Proto history: Concept, Harappa Civilization: Origin, Urban Planning, Political Organization, Religious Beliefs, Economic Organization, Decline. B. Vedic Culture: Origin, Polity, Economy, Society, Religion and Philosophical developments. C. 16 Mahajanpadas, Rise of Magadha.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">18 Hrs</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">UNIT-III</p>	<p>A. Period of Religious Movements: Material Background, Use of Iron Plough, Rise of New Classes, Jainism and Buddhism: Origin and Teachings. B. The Mauryan Age: Sources; Polity, Economy, Society and Religion; Ashoka's Dhamma; Administration; Decline of the Empire. C. Post Mauryan Age: Sources, Reign of Pushyamitra Shunga, Gautamiputra Shatakarni, Rudradamana and Kanishka; Trade and Economic Organisation, Society, Religion, Art and Architecture.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">18 Hrs</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">UNIT-IV</p>	<p>A. History of the Far South: Megalith Culture, Sangam Age- Literature, Polity, Society and Economy. B. The Gupta Age: State and Administration, Society and Economy, Art and Architecture, Literature, Science and Technology. C. Post Gupta kingdoms in North and South India: Vardhanas, Chalukyas, Pallavas and Cholas. D. Social and Economic Changes in Post Gupta Period.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">18 Hrs</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">UNIT-V</p>	<p>A. Development of Iconography: Gandhar and Mathura Art. B. Architectural Development: Stupa, Nagar, Dravid and Besar styles of Temple Architecture. C. Ancient Universities of India: Takshashila, Nalanda, Vikramshila, Valabhi.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">18 Hrs</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Text Books</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahajan V. D., Ancient India, S. Chand and Company Limited, Delhi. • Shrivastav K. C., Prachin Bharat ka Itihas Evam Sanskriti, United Book Depot, Allahabad (Hindi) • Om Prakash, Cultural History of India, New Age International (P) Limited Publications, New Delhi.

<p style="text-align: center;">Reference Books</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singh Upinder, A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India (From Stone Age to the 12th Century), Pearson Longman, Delhi. • R. C. Majumdar, The History and Culture of the Indian People, Bhartiya Vidhya Bhavan, Bombay. • Koshambi D. D., The Culture and Civilization of Ancient India: An Historical Outline. • Thapar Romila, The Penguin History of Early India (From the Origins to A.D.1300), Penguin Books, Delhi. • Sharma R. S., India's Ancient Past, New Oxford India. Delhi • Sharma R. S., Prachin Bharat ka Itihas, Oxford University Press (Hindi) • Majumdar R. C., Bharat ka Itihas Evam Sanskriti, Bhartiya Vidhya Bhavan, Bombay. (Hindi) • Mahajan V. D., Prachin Bharat, S. Chand and Company Limited, Delhi. (Hindi) • Om Prakash, Bhartiya Sabhyata ka Itihas, New Age International (P) Limited Publications, New Delhi. (Hindi) • Koshambi D. D., Prachin Bhartiya Sabhyata Evam Sanskriti: Ek Rooprekha(Hindi) • Singh Upinder, Prachin Evam Purv Madhyakalin Bharat Ka Itihas (Prarambh se 1300 Isvi Tak), Pearson Longman, Delhi. (Hindi) • Thapar Romila, Poorva Kalik Bharat (Prarambh se 1300 Isvi Tak), Penguin Books, Delhi. (Hindi) • Jha and Shrimali, Prachin Bharat ka Itihas, Hindi Madhyam Karyanvayan Nideshalay, Dilli Vishvavidyalay, New Delhi(Hindi) • Chakravarti Ranbir, bhartiya Itihas ka Aadikal, Orient Blackswan, New Delhi (Hindi) • Shrivastav K. C., Prachin Bharat ka Itihas Evam Sanskriti, United Book Depot, Allahabad (Hindi)
<p style="text-align: center;">Suggested E-resources</p>	<p>E-pustakalaya, E-pathshala, www.inflibnet.org, www.swayam.gov.in, www.ignou.ac.in</p>