

HISTORY GENERAL SYLLABUS : REVISED IN 2013

July –January

Semester –III:

Number of Classes : 90

Title of the Paper : History of India –Course-I: 1526-1856 & Course –II: 1857-1914

Module-I: The Mughal Empire –Rise , Consolidation , Decline and the Beginning of Colonial Rule :

Module -I

- 1.Foundation of Mughal Empire
- 2.Sher Shah as an empire builder and an administrator
3. Akbar and the Consolidation of the Mughal empire .
- 4.Akbar and the Political Expansion of Mughal Empire
- 5.Akbar’s Relation with the Rajputs
- 6.Evolution of Akbar’s Religious policy.
- 7.the Mansabdari System and the Emergence of a Composite Ruling Class.
- 8.Expanding Frontiers of Mughal Empire in Post-Akbar India.
- 9.Climax and Crisis of the Mughal Empire under Aurangzeb’s entanglements in the Deccan and the Historiographical Debate on the Break-up of the Mughal Empire.
10. Rise of Shivaji and the Mughal-Maratha Contest for supremacy
- 11.Changes in the Rajput policy and the Religious Policy of the Mughals in the Reign of Aurangzeb.
- 12.Mughal Economy ; Land Revenue –Commercial Expansion.
13. Mughal Art & Architecture
- 14.Political Ascendancy of the English East India company in Bengal (1757-65)
15. English east India Company’s relation with the Indian States –Marathas, Mysore , Sikhs.
16. British Policies of Colonial Annexation_ Subsidiary Alliance , Doctrine of lapse.
- 17.Colonial Economy: Land Revenue Settlements-Bengal, North India, South and West India

18. Drain of Wealth and De-industrialization.

Module –II:

1. English Education in Bengal up to 1857

2. Indian Response to Westernization: Raja Ram Mohan Roy-Young Bengal , Vidyasagar , Prarthana Samaj –Arya Samaj.

3. Aligarh Movement and the Modernization of Islam.

4. Early Resistance to Colonial Rule : Wahabi and Faraizi Movements –Santhal Rebellion

5. The Revolt of 1857

6. Growth of National Consciousness : Politics of Association –The Birth of Indian national Congress.

7. The Nature of the Early Congress under Moderate Leadership

8. Ideology and Programme of Militant nationalists

9. Partition of Bengal and the Swadeshi Movement its Varied Dimensions - Hindu Revivalism -?

10. The Birth of the All India Muslim League and Separate Electorates

11. Revolutionary Terrorism in Bengal and Punjab

12. Impact of the First world War on Indian Economy, Society and Polity.

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Suggested Reading:

1. Irfan habib, **Medieval India: The Study of Civilization**
2. Satish Chandra , **Medieval india, Part Two : Mughal Empire**
3. Sekhar Bandopadhyya, **From Plassey to partition**
4. Sumit Sarkar , **Modern India , 1885-1947**
5. Bipan Chandra , **India’s Struggle for Independence .**

