Semester	VI
Course *1	U.G
Paper Code	C3BG230651T
Paper Title	The History of Modern Europe: 1848-1945 (BA in Humanities and Social Sciences Major Paper for Raghabpur Campus)
No. of Credits *2	
Theory / Practical / Composite	Theory
Minimum No. of	
preparatory hours per week	
a student has to devote Number of Modules	2
Syllabus	Module:1 -1848 to 1914
	1. An overview of Europe in the first half of
	the 19 th Century. 1848 The:Year of Revolutions.
	Second Republic, Rise and Fall of the Second
	Empire, 1871 – the Paris Commune, The Third
	Republic and its consolidation
	2. Russia from Alexander II to 1905.
	3. Unification of Italy (Cavour, Mazzini, Garibaldi)
	and German Unification and role of Bismarck
	4. European Imperialism: Theory and practice, the scramble for colonies
	The Balkans in ferment (1871 to 1914)

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	5. Second Industrialisation in Europe: Britain, France,
	Germany and Russia.
	Module: 2: Europe, 1914-1945
	1. The System of Alliances, the division of Europe and the
	origins and consequences of the First World War.
	 The Bolshevik Revolution. Post War Peace Settlement. The elusive peace- the 1920s.
	4. Europe and the Great Depression; immediate and long-
	term effects.
	5. Rise of Totalitarianism: Fascism in Italy; Nazism in
	Germany.
	6. The Second World War: Causes and impact.
Learning Outcomes	1. The paper will enable students to have a basic and clear
	idea of European History from 1848-1945.
	2. It will help students to develop their knowledge regarding major events and intellectual currents that
	engulfed the world during that period.
Reading/Reference Lists	Essential Readings-
	1. David Thomson, Europe Since Napoleon
	2. E J Hobsbawm, The Age of Capital, 1848-1871
	3. E J Hobsbawm, The Age of Empire, 1871-1914
	4. E J Hobsbawm, The Age of Extremes5. Jonathan Sperber, Revolutionary Europe, 1780-
	5. Jonathan Sperber, Revolutionary Europe, 1780-1850.
	Jonathan Sperber, Europe 1850-1914
	6. Martel Gordon Edited : The Origin of the second
	World War Reconsidered, London, 1999.
	7. Joll, James-Europe Since 1870:An international
	History, Middlesex, 1973.
	8. Joll, James - the Origin of the First Word War, London,1951.
	Suggested Readings-
	1. Harold James, Europe Reborn: a History,

	1914 - 2000 2. Seaman L.C.BFrom Vienna to Versalillas, London ,1975.
Evaluation Paper Structure for Theory Semester Exam	Theory CIA:5(CIA)+20(Mid-Sem)+5 (Attendance)=30 Semester Exam: 70 End Semester Exam: 70 Two modules of 35 marks each. (5 questions of 2 marks from 7 options: 2X5=10 3 questions of 5 marks from 5 options: 5X3=15 1 question of 10 marks from 2 options: 10x1=10)