

## SEMESTER: I

### C-1: Introduction to History

Units	Course Contents	Credit
I	Meaning and scope of history: (a) Sources of history (b) Collection and selection of data	
II	Types of History (a) Economic history (b) Social history (c) Political history (d) Intellectual history (e) Micro history (f) Total history	
III	History and other disciplines: (a) Archaeology (b) Geography (c) Sociology (d) Economics (e) Anthropology	
IV	Tradition of history writing: (a) Early Indian Historiography (b) Medieval Indian Historiography (c) Modern Indian Historiography	

#### Suggested Reading:

1. Sheikh Ali, *History: Its Theory and Methods*.
2. E. Sreedharan, *A Textbook of Historiography 500 BC to 2000AD*
3. N. Subramaniam, *Historiography*
4. E.H. Carr, *What is History*
5. Ernst Bresach: *Hitorigraphy: Ancient, Medieval and Modern*
6. Marc Bloch: *The Historian's Craft*

7. R.G. Collingwood: *The Idea of History*
8. J.W. Burrow: *A History of Histories: Epics, Chronicles, Romance and Inquiries from Herodotus and Thucydides to the Twentieth Century*
9. Eileen K. Cheng: *Historiography: An Introductory Guide*
10. Mark T. Gilderhus: *History and Historians: A Historiographical Introduction*

**C-2: History of India (Earliest to 300 A.D.)**

Units	Course Contents	Credit
I	Introduction: i) Sources: Archaeology Literature (indigenous and foreign) ii) Pre-History Phases: a) Paleolithic, b) Mesolithic and c) Neolithic	
II	Polity, Society, Economy and Religion: a) Harappan Culture and b) Vedic Culture	
III	Mauryan Empire: Economy, Society and Religion and Art	
IV	Post-Mauryan Invasions and their impacts i) Economic development-Land grants, Urban growth, Crafts, Trade and Trade Routes, Coins and Currency, Indo-Roman Trade. ii) Sangam Age: Literature, Society, Economy	

**Suggested Reading:**

1. A.L. Basham: *The Wonder that was India*
2. D.S. Kosambi: *The Culture and Civilization of Ancient India in Historical Outline*
3. H.C. Roychoudhury: *Political History of Ancient India*
4. K. A. N. Shastri: *A Comprehensive History of India Vol. II*
5. N. Shastri: *A History of South India*
6. R.C. Mazumder (ed): *The History and Culture of the Indian People Volumes I-IV*
7. R.K. Mookherjee: *The Gupta Empire*
8. R. S.Tripathi: *History of Ancient India*
9. R.Thapar: *Early India*
10. R. Thapar: *A History of India, Vol. I*

**GE-1: History of India (Earliest to 1206A.D.)**

Units	Course Contents	Credit
<b>I</b>	Sources of Ancient Indian History: Literary, Archaeological Pre-History and Proto History: Paleolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic, Chalcolithic	
<b>II</b>	Rig Vedic ages and Post Vedic ages upto 6 <sup>th</sup> Century B.C: Janapadas, Mahajanapadas, Buddhism and Jainism	
<b>III</b>	Territorial States and Foreign Invasions: The Mauryas, and the Gupta and Macedonian Invasions	
<b>IV</b>	Post Gupta Period: Harsha, Cholas and Pallavas	

***Suggested Reading:***

1. D.P. Agrawal: *Archaeology of India*
2. B. Allchin, & R. Allchin: *The Rise of Civilization in India and Pakistan*
3. R. Allchin & B. Allchin. *Origins of a Civilization*
4. M.K. Dhavalikar: *The First Farmers of the Deccan*
5. H.M.Fried: *The Evolution of Political Society*
6. S.R. Goyal: *A History of Indian Buddhism*
7. D.N. Jha: *Ancient Indian An Historical Outline*
8. K.A. Sastri Nilakanta, *A History of South India*
9. K.A. Sastri Nilakanta: *History of South India, from pre-historic times to the fall of Vijaynagar*
10. R.S. Sharma: *Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India*
11. R.S. Sharma: *India's Ancient Past*
12. R.S. Sharma: *Looking for the Aryan*
13. Romila Thapar: *Early India from the Origin to A.D. 1300*