

16. HISTORY

DETAILS OF SYLLABUS

UNIT -1- HISTORICAL METHOD

Meaning and scope of History-History as a unique discipline-uses-relation with other subjects - Objectivity and value judgment.

Philosophies of history

Research in history - Sources - Criticism - Synthesis of facts - generalisation - exposition.

Importance of footnotes and bibliography

UNIT - 2 – HISTORIOGRAPHY

- A) Western historiography
 - Greek historiography
 - Enlightenment historiography
 - Historical materialism
 - Annales Paradigm
 - Recent trends in historiography
- B) Indian historiography:-
 - Ithihasa--Purana tradition
 - Arab-Persian tradition
 - Colonial historiography
 - Nationalist historiography
 - Marxist historiography
 - Subaltern Historiography

UNIT - 3 - KERALA HISTORY

Pre-history of Kerala -Megalithic culture.Sangam Age-Tinai organisation

State and society under the Kulasekharas

Socio-economic and political institutions of medieval Kerala.

Advent of the Europeans

Rise of monarchies

Mysorean invasion

Resistance to the British

Agrarian unrest

Social reform movements

Struggle for responsible government in Travancore and Cochin.

Freedom movement in Malabar.

Cultural legacy of modern Kerala

Aikya Kerala Movement and formation of the State.

Political experiments in Kerala

Land reforms - Agricultural and industrial changes.

Growth of education
Health and family welfare
Democratic decentralisation and Peoples Plan.
Kerala Model - Problems and Prospects.

UNIT - 4 - INDIAN HISTORY

A) Ancient Indian History:

Pre-historic period Harappan civilisation - Vedic Pastoralism - Second urbanisation and rise of new religions - Janapatha state and Magdhan imperialism--Post Mauryan age and foreign invasions - Sangam age and Megalithic culture in the south - Gupta age - Post Gupta period - Urban decay and feudal social formations

B) Medieval Indian History

Sultanate of Delhi - urban revival - structural changes - Iqta system-state and society in medieval south India--Mughal empire--Land revenue and Mansabdari system

C) Modern Indian History

Colonial penetration and Indian resistance - Early resistance movements 1857 Revolts-

Disintegration of Indian economy and consolidation of British power--Ideological forms of colonial penetration--Education, legal system, medicine literature etc:- Colonial penetration and Indian response -Social reform movements-Ram Mohan Roy, Jyothiba Phule- Arya Samaj, Ramakrishna Mission, Theosophical Society, Wahabi movement, Aligarh movement etc.

Early political organisations and Indian National Congress--Economic nationalism-Drain theory--Swadeshi and Swaraj--Split in the Congress--First world war and Mahatma Gandhi on the national scene-popular agitations-Non-co-operation movement- working class and peasant movements-Civil Disobedience movement and Salt Satyagraha-

Second world war and Quit India movement -Post war uprisings--Cabinet Mission--Independence Act--Transfer of power--Free India--Integration of princely states.

D) Contemporary Indian History:

Indian planning and mixed economy-Public sector and agriculture--Foreign policy. Political developments after Nehru-Declaration of internal emergency--Formation of non-Congress ministries at the centre--New education policy- Globalisatiion and Indian economy.

UNIT - 5 - WORLD HISTORY

(A) Ancient world history:-

Neolithic revolution--Bronze age civilizations - Graeco-Roman civilisations.

(B) Medieval history:-

Feudalism and Catholic church--Expansion of trade and crusades--Age of transition

(C) Modern world history

Legacy of French Revolution-

Scientific revolution -Industrial and agrarian changes -Unification of Italy & Germany-
Emergence of capitalism and colonialism--Development of imperialism and scramble for
world market --Anti-imperialist struggles--Working class movements in Europe and
national movements in the colonies. First world war and reorganization of the world after
the war --Russian revolution. Fascism in Europe--Second world war--Liberation
movements-League of Nations and UNO-Cold War and post cold war era- unipolar and
multipolar.