Course No. 201 Historiography, Concept and Methods

Unit – 1:
Meaning and Scope of History:
What is History? Collection and selection of Data (Literature, Oral tradition, Contemporary tradition, etc).

Unit – 2:
History and other disciplines:
Archaeology, Geography, Sociology, Economics, Philosophy, Anthropology.

Unit – 3:
Traditions of Historical Writing:
Greco-Roman, Chinese, Ancient Indian, Arabic.

Unit – 4:
Approaches to History:
Orientalist, Imperialist, Nationalist, Subaltern, Marxist.

Unit – 5:
Major theories of History:
Materialistic, Cyclical, Theory of Toynbee, Theory of Spengler.
Books Recommended:

Carr, E.H.  What is History.
Collingwood  The idea of History.
Reitler, G. I.  History its Purpose and Methods.
Gardiner  Theories of History.
Thompson  History of Historical Thinking. Social science Research Council
Monographs: Theory and Practice in Historical Study.
Pandey, G.C.  Itihasa, Svarupa Evam Siddhanta.
Pathak, V.S.  Ancient Historians of India.

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The series of Subaltern Studies, (Relevant portion).

Course No. 202 Social and Economic systems and Institutions

Unit - 1:  Formation of early ideas on hierarchy: Development of Varna and Jati.
Unit - 2:  Marriage and Development of family system.
Unit - 3:  Ashrama system, Sanskaras, Education system.
Unit - 4:  Land system, agriculture.
Unit - 5:  Revenue system, trade and guilds.

Books Recommended:

Altekar, A.S.  Education in Ancient India.
Chandra, K.  Prachin Bharat Ki Samajika Evam Arthika Sansthayen.
Fick, R.  The Social organisation in north East India from Buddhas times.
Ghurye, G.S.  Caste and Race in India.
Pandey, R.B.  Hindu Sanskaras.
Prabhu, P.N.  Hindu social organization.
Kane, P.V.  History of Dharmasastra, Vol. II and III
Kangle, R.P.  Kautilya’s Asthasatra, 3 Parts.
Majumdar, R.C.  Corporate life in Ancient India.
Mishra, J.S.  Prachin Bharat Ka Samajika Itihasa.
Course No. 203 Religions and Philosophical Ideas

Unit - 1: Formation of religious ideas in early India: Vedas, Upanishads, Vedanta.
Unit - 2: Saiva Vaishnava and Shakta, Cults and their religious ideas.
Unit - 3: Broad outlines of Buddhism and Jainism
Unit - 4: Philosophical Ideas: Charvaka, Vaisheshika.
Unit - 5: Philosophical Ideas: Vedanta, Sankhya, Yoga

Books Recommended:

Bhandarkar, R.G. Vaishnavism, Shaivism and Minor Religious systems.
Chattopadhyay Evolution of Hindu Sects.
Puskar, A.D. The Vedic Age (Relevant Chapter), The Age of Imperial Unity (Relevant Chapters).
Radhakrishnan, S. Bhartiya Darshan, Vol. I and II.
Datt, N. Some aspects of Mahayana Buddhism and its evolution Vajrayana.
Mecdonall, A.D. Vedic Mythology.
Keith, A.B. Religion & Philosophy of Veda & Upanishad.
Gairaula, V. Vedic Sahitya Aur Sanskriti.
Goyal, S. Religious History of India, Vol. I.
Shah, C.J. Jainism in northern India.
Madhavacharya Sarva-Darsana Sangraha.
Hiriyanna Outline of Indian Philosophy.
Devaraj, N.K. Bharatiya Darshan.
Course No. 204 Numismatics

Max Marks: Theory 80 (Minimum Passing Marks 20%)

: Sessional 20 (Minimum Passing Marks 30%)

Unit - 1: The Origin and antiquity of coinage, making of coin: techniques of manufacturing: Punch-marked, casting, die striking; History of Numismatic studies in India; Coins as sources of Indian History.

Unit - 2: Survey of coin series in India: Punch-marked, Tribal and Janpad Coins.

Unit - 3: Survey of coin series in India: Satavahanas and Indo-Greek Coins.

Unit - 4: Survey of coin series in India: Kushana Coins.

Unit - 5: Survey of Coin series in India: Gupta Coins.

Practical: Decipherment of coins from the plates.

Books Recommended:

Allan, J. Catalogue of Indian Coins in the British Museum, Coins of Ancient India.

Altekar, A.S. Coinage of the Gupta Empire.

Cunningham, A. Coins of Ancient India.

Lahari, A.N. Corpus of Indo Greek Coins.

Cunningham, A. Coins of Alexander's Successors in the East.

Gupta, P.L. Coins.

Narain, A.K. The Indo-Greeks.

Shastri, A.M. Coinage of the Satavahanas and coins from Excavation.

Sricar, D.C. Studies in Indian Coins.


Sharma, I.K. Coinage of the Satavahanas.

Srava, Satya Kushana Numismatics

Singh, A.K. Coins of the Great Kushanas