# B.A. (GENERAL) PROGRAMME HISTORY (HISG) SCHEME OF COURSES

(Each Course shall carry 100 marks, which shall be distributed as End Semester=80 and Internal Assessment=20. Courses are so planned that each of these will require 45-50 classes of 45 minutes duration.)

Semester -I

1. **HISG- 101** : HISTORY OF ASSAM: 1228 – 1826 – Marks= 100

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

Semester -II

2. **HISG - 201:** HISTORY OF ASSAM: 1826 – 1947

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

**Semester-III** 

3. **HISG-301**: HISTORY OF EUROPE: 1453-1815

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

**Semester-IV** 

4. **HISG-401**: HISTORY OF INDIA FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES TO 1526

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

Semester-V

5. **HISG-501**: HISTORY OF INDIA: 1526 - 1947

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

Semester-VI

HISG-601: (OPTIONAL - I): HISTORY OF ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN INDIA

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

(OPTIONAL - II): WOMEN IN INDIAN HISTORY

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

HISG – 101 End- Semester Marks : 80

HISTORY OF ASSAM: 1228 –1826 In- Semester Marks : 20

Total Marks : 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

4.02 :

The objective of this paper is to give a general outline of the history of Assam from the 13<sup>th</sup> century to the occupation of Assam by the English East India Company in the first quarter of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. It aims to acquaint the students with the major stages of developments in the political, social and cultural history of the state during the medieval times.

unies.	
Unit-1:	Marks: 16
1.01 :	Sources- archaeological, epigraphic, literary, numismatic and accounts of the
	foreign travelers
1.02 :	Political conditions of the Brahmaputra valley at the time of foundation of the
	Ahom kingdom.
1.03 :	Sukapha - An assessment
1.04 :	State information in the Brahmaputra valley-the Chutiya, Kachari and the
	Koch state
Unit-II	
2.01 :	Expansion of the Ahom Kingdom in the 16 <sup>th</sup> century- Suhungmung Dihingiya
	Raja (1497-1539)
2.02 :	Political Developments in the 17 <sup>th</sup> century- rule of Pratap Singha (1603-1641)
	Ahom-Mughal wars- the treaty of 1639.
2.03 :	Administrative developments and role of Momai Tamuli Barbarua
Unit –III	Marks: 16
3.01 :	Assam in the second half of the 17 <sup>th</sup> Century- the Ahom-Mughal Wars – Mir
	Jumla's Assam Invasion- causes and consequences,
3.02 :	Invasion of Ram Singha - the Battle of Saraighat (1671) and its results
3.03 :	Post-Saraighat Assam Ascendancy of the Tungkhungia dynasty – the reign of
	Gadadhar Singha.
Unit: IV	Marks: 16
4.01 :	Ahom Rule at its zenith of Rudra Singha (1696-1714) to Rajeswer Singha
	(1751-1769): political history

Decline and fall of the Ahom Kingdom the Moamariya Rebellion and the

Burmese Invasions- The English East India Company in Assam Politics- the

Treaty of Yandaboo and Assam

Unit :V Marks: 16

5.01 : Ahom system of administration: the Paik system

5.02 : Ahom Policy towards the neighbouring hill tribes

5.03 : Society in Assam under the Ahoms- caste and class structures

5.04 : Religious life — Sankaradeva and the Neo Vaishnavite Movement-background

and implications

# **Text Books:**

Baruah, S.L. : A Comprehensive History of Assam, Munshiram Monoharlal

Publishers Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1985

Baruah, Surajit : Asomar Itihas, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition (revised) K.M. Publishing, Guwahati, 2007

Boruah, Nirode

Nath. D. : Asam Buranji, Revised & enlarge edition, Arun Prakashan, Guwahati,

2009

**Reference Books:** 

Dutta, A.K. : Maniram Dewan and the Contemporary Assamese Society, Jorhat,

1991

Gait E.A. : A History of Assam, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, LBS Publication, Guwahati, 1962

# HISG -201 HISTORY OF ASSAM: 1826 – 1947

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

The course aims at acquainting the students with the main currents of the sociopolitical and economic developments in Assam during the colonial period.

Unit I: Marks: 16
1.01 : Political condition in Assam on the eve of the British rule.
1.02 : Establishment and Consolidation of the British rule – Reforms and

Reorganizations - David Scott - Annexation of Lower Assam, Administrative Reorganisation and Revenue Measures of Scott; Robertson - Administrative

and Revenue Measures; Jenkins' Administrative Measures

1.03 : Ahom Monarchy in Upper Assam (1833-38)

Unit: II Marks: 16

2.01 : Annexation of Cachar

2.02 : Early phase of Revolts and Resistance to British rule- Gomdhar Konwar,

Piyali Phukan, U.Tirut Singh,

2.03 : The Khamti and the Singpho rebellion

2.04 : The 1857 Revolt in Assam and its aftermath.

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Establishment of Chief Commissionership in Assam.

3.02 : Land Revenue Measures and Peasant Uprisings in 19<sup>th</sup> century Assam

3.03 : Growth of national consciousness – Assam Association, Sarbajanik Sabhas,

and the Rayat Sabhas

3.04 : Impact of Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement in Assam.

Unit :IV Marks: 16

3.01 : Government of India Act, 1919 – Dyarchy on Trial in Assam.

3.02 : Non Co-operation Movement and Swarajist Politics in Assam

3.03 : The Civil Disobedience Movement

3.04 : Student Movement in Assam

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Trade Union and Allied Movements

5.02 : Tribal League and Politics in Assam

5.03 : Migration, Line System and its Impact on Politics in Assam

5.04 : Quit India Movement in Assam.

5.05 : Cabinet Mission Plan and the Grouping Controversy – the Sylhet Referendum.

#### **Text Books:**

Barpujari, H. K : (ed) The Comprehensive History of Assam, Vols. IV & V.

Baruah, Swarnalata : A Comprehensive History of Assam. Munshiram Monoharlal

Publishers Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1985

Nath. D. : Asam Buranji, Revised & enlarge edition, Arun Prakashan, Guwahati,

2009

**Reference Books:** 

Barpujari, H. K : (ed) Francis Jenkins Report on the North- East Frontier of India.

: (ed) *Political History of Assam*, Vol. I.

. (ed) The Comprehensive History of Assam, Vols. IV & V.

Bhuyan, A.C and : (ed) Political History of Assam, Vols. II & III.

De, S.

Bhuyan, A.C : (ed) *Nationalist Upsurge in Assam*.

Bora .S. : Student Revolution in Assam.

Chakravarti, B. C : British Relations with the Hill Tribes of Assam.

Dutta, Anuradha : Assam in the Freedom Movement.

Guha, Amalendu : Planters Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle and Electoral

Politics in Assam.

Lahiri, R.M : Annexation of Assam

HISG - 301 HISTORY OF EUROPE: 1453-1815 End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

The objective of this paper is to acquaint the students with the major developments in European politico-economic scenario since the Renaissance till the end of the French Revolution.

Unit –I Marks: 16

1.01 : Renaissance- meaning -background-impacts.

1.02 : Reformation- origin, courses and consequences; Counter Reformation

1.03 : The Thirty Years War- causes and consequences

**Unit: II** 

2.01 : Colonial Expansion in the  $15^{th}$  – $16^{th}$  centuries – causes extent and implications

2.02 : Absolute monarchy in Europe- Spain, France, England and Russia.

2.03 : The Glorious Revolution –back ground and results.

Unit-III: Marks: 16

3.01 : The Scientific Revolution in the 16<sup>th</sup> –17<sup>th</sup> centuries - extent, nature and results

3.02 : Mercantilism and European Economy17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries.

3.03 : American War of Independence- political and economic issues and

significance.

Unit-IV: Marks: 16

4.01 : Enlightenment in Europe – its impact

4.02 : Enlightened Despotism in Europe – Russia and Prussia and Austria

4.03 : The Industrial Revolution in Europe- causes and significance

4.04 : Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism.

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : The French Revolution- causes, courses and significance

5.02 : Napoleon Bonaparte- internal and external polices- downfall of Napoleon

Bonaparte.

5.03 : The Congress of Vienna and Europe in 1815.

#### **Text Books:**

Cameron, Euan (ed.) : Early Modern Europe An Oxford History, New

Delhi, 2004

Hayes, C J H : A Political and Cultural History of Early

Modern Europe.

Lee, Stephen J., : Aspects of European History, 1494-1789

(Routledge, Chapman & Hall, 1984.

Phukan, Meenakshi, : Rise of the Modern West: Social and Economic History of Early Modern Europe, McMillan,

New Delhi, 2001.

### **Reference Books:**

Anderson, M.S., : Europe in the Eighteenth Century (Longman,

1987).

Anderson, Perry, : The Lineage's of the Absolutist States (Routledge,

Chapman & Hall, 1974).

Cipola, Carlo M., : Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vol. II &

III (Collins; 1974, Harvester Press, 1976).

De Vrics, Jan, : Economy of Europe in an Age of Crisis 1600-1750.

Elton, G.R., : Reformation Europe, 1517-1559.

Hale, J.R., : Renaissance Europe (University of California

Press, 1978).

Hill, Christopher, : A Century of Revolutions (Norton, 1982).

Koenigsberger, H.G and G.L. Mosse : Europe in the Sixteenth Century (Longman,

1971).

Mathias, Peter, First Industrial Revolutions (London, 1969).

Pennington, D.H., : Seventeenth Century Europe (Longman, 1972).

**HISG: 401** 

HISTORY OF INDIA FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES TO 1526 In Samuelto

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

The objective of this paper is to acquaint the students with the general outline of the history of India from the known earliest times to the coming of the Mughals to India in the first quarter of the 16<sup>th</sup> century. It is aimed at giving them a comprehensive idea of the developments in all spheres of life during this period.

Unit:I Marks: 16

- 1.01: Sources –a survey
- 1.02: Harappan Civilization origin and extent, morphology of the major sites, salient features, decline and the end of the civilization.
- 1.03: Vedic Civilization society, economy, polity and culture of the Rig-Vedic and the later-Vedic periods

Unit: II Marks: 16

- 2.01: Rise of the territorial states –the *Mahajanapadas*
- 2.02: Ascendancy of Magadha-Alexander's invasion of India.
- 2.03: Rise of the Mauryan Empire under Asoka -his inscriptions –the Dhamma
- 2.04: Mauryan system of Administration.

Unit: III Marks: 16

- 3.01: Political developments in the Post-Maurya period (C.200 B.C.-300 A.D.)- the Sungas, Kushanas and Satavahanas.
- 3.02: The Tamils and Sangam Age.
- 3.03: The Sakas and the Indo-Greeks in India- their contributions
- 3.04: India in the Gupta and the post-Gupta period (up to 640 A.D.)- polity, society, economy and culture

Unit: IV Marks: 16

- 4.01: Political development in the South –the Pallavas, the imperial Cholas, the Rashtrakutas and the Chalukyas.
- 4.02: The Arabs and the Turks in Indian politics –Ghaznivides and the Ghorid invasions.
- 4.03: Indian Society during 650 –1200 A.D.-literature & language, temple architecture and sculpture

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01: The Delhi Sultanate- (a) the Slave dynasty (b) the Khalijis- Alauddin Khaliji's administration (c) the Tughalqs –Muhammad Tughluqu's experiments.

- 5.02: Disintegration of the Delhi Sultanate and rise of provincial kingdoms- Vijayanagar and Bahmani kingdom
- 5.03: Polity, society, economy, religion and culture of the Sultanate period, Bhakti Movement and Sufism and Neo-Vaishnavism in Assam

#### **Text Books:**

Barua, P.K : Bharat Bhuranji

Begum, Senehi : *Bharat Buranji*, (Dillir Sultan Sakal.) Chandra, S : *History of Medieval India*, Delhi -2010

Nath, D. : Bharatar Rajnoitik Aru Sanskritik Buranji. (Revised)

Arun Prakashan, Guwahati, 2009

Singh, Upindar : A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India

Thapar, Romila : Early India

### **Reference Books:**

Habib, I, Jha V. : Mauryan India, Tulika, 2004

Shrimali, K.M. : The Age of Iron and The Religious Revolution, Tulika, 2007

Banerjee, A.C. : History of India

Majumdar, Dutta &

Raychoudhury : Advanced History of India

Sinha & Ray : History of India

Spear Percival : History of India, Vol. II

HISG: 501 HISTORY OF INDIA: 1526 – 1947

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

2.03

This paper aims to acquaint the students with the general course of events in the field of political, social, cultural and economic affairs in India from the foundation of the Mughal Empire in 1526 till Independence in 1947.

Unit: I Marks: 16 Political Conditions in Northern India in the beginning of the 16<sup>th</sup> century-1.01 The Afghan Empire and the Mughals- resistance vs. struggle for hegemony. 1.02 The Age of the Mughals- Foundation of the Mughal Empire- Humayun and his struggle- his conflict with Sher Shah 1.03 Akbar to Aurangzeb- political supremacy and administrative developments Unit: II Marks: 16 2.01 The later Mughals and the decline and fall of the Mughal Empire. 2.02 Rise of the Marathas in the Deccan-Sivaji and his career.

2.04 : Beginning of the European settlements in India—the Portuguese —the Dutch — the French and the English.

Society, economy, religion and culture under the Mughals.

Unit: III

3.01 : British Conquests of India –British occupation of Bengal, Anglo-French

rivalry-the Battle of Plassey and its effects

3.02 : Expansion and consolidation of the British rule in India up to 1857-Conflict with the Marathas, Mysore, Awadh, Punjab and Sindh.

3.03 : Administrative developments and socio-economic reform up to 1857.

Unit: IV Marks: 16

4.01 : Revolt of 1857 and its aftermath.

4.02 : Post 1857 administrative developments till 1919

4.03 : Socio-religious reform movements in the post 1857 period

4.04 : Growth of the press and rise of national consciousness.

4.05 : Freedom Struggle up to 1919 -Partition of Bengal and the Swadeshi

Movement, Home Rule League, Rise of Muslim Politics.

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Freedom Struggle from 1919 to 1939 - Gandhi in politics-Khilafat and Non-

Cooperation Movement - Civil Disobedience Movement.

5.02 : Government of India Act, 1935.

5.03 : Rise of communalism, revolutionary terrorism, trade unionism and Leftist

Politics.

5.04 : Cripps Mission – Quit India Movement-Second World War-INA.

5.05 : Post –War Development –Cabinet Mission and transfer of power.

#### **Text Books: Reference Books:**

Banerjee, A.C. : History of India
Barua, P.K. Hussain, T.A. : Bharat Buranji
Goswami, S.D. : Bharat Buranji

Grover B.L. and

Grover. S : A New Look at Modern Indian History.
Chandra, S : Medieval India From Sultanat to Mughals

(1526-1748), Delhi -2001

**Reference Books:** 

Bose, N.S. : Indian National Movement: An Outline.

Majumdar, R.C. (ed.) : History and Culture of the Indian People,

Vols.VII-XI

Spear, Percival : Modern India.

HISG: 601 (Optional –I)

HISTORY OF ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN INDIA

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20

In- Semester Marks : 20 Total Marks : 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

This course intends to acquaint the students with

the new discipline of ecological and environmental history. It intends to familiarize them with the relation between ecology and human civilization with particular reference to post independence India. It also attempts to bring the pupils to the understanding of the social and economic conflicts emerging due to environmental factors.

Unit I: Marks: 16

1.01 : Emergence of Environmental History as a branch of historical study

1.02 : Mode of Resource Utilization : Gathering, Nomadic, Pastoralism, Agricultural

Mode and Industrial Mode

1.03 : Geographical Background of the Indian Subcontinent : Physical division, flora

and fauna.

Unit II: Marks: 16

2.01 : Indus Valley Civilization (a) Ecological Mapping & (b) Environmental factors

for its decline

2.02 : Agricultural Expansion and Deforestation in the Gangetic Valley.

2.03 : Forest and the pastoral communities in the Medieval period.

Unit III: Marks: 16

3.01 : Making of British Forest Policy in India : Forest Acts of 1878 and 1927

3.02 : Impact of British Forest Policy : Deforestation and Ecological

change in India.

3.03 : Commercial Exploitation of Forest Products; Impact of Railway Construction

on Forestry during the colonial period.

Unit IV: Marks: 16

4.01 : Conservation Policies in Post independence Period; Social Forestry

4.02 : Environmental movements : Chipko Movement, Narmada Bachao Andolan.

4.03 : Dams and Mines: Problems of displacement, Loss of Livelihood and Problems

of Rehabilitation

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Impact of Plantation Economy and Forestry in Assam

5.02 : Flood and Soil Erosion in the Brahmaputra Valley

5.03 : Environmental impact of Shifting Cultivation.

#### **Text Books:**

Gadgil, M and R, Guha : The Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India, 1992.

: Ecology and Equity, 1998.

: Use and Abuse of Nature (incorporating this Fissured Land

and Ecology and Equity) 2000.

**Reference Books:** 

Agarwal, D.P : Man and Environment in India through the Ages, 1992. Arnold, D and Guha, R. : Nature, Culture, Imperialism: Essays on the Environmental

History of South Asia, 1996.

Bhattacharya, D.K. : Ecology and Social Formation in Ancient History, 1990.

Cederlof, Gunnel and

Chakrabarti, Ranjan, (ed.) : Situating Environmental History, 2006.

: Does Environmental History Matter? Shikar, Subsistence and

the

Sciences 2007.

Dhavalikar, M.K. : Environment and Culture: A Historical Perspective, 2002 Guha, Sumit, : Environment and Ethnicity in India 1200-1991,1999.

Guha, A. : *Medieval and Early Colonial Assam: Society, polity Economy,* 

1991.

Guha, R. : The Unquiet woods, Ecological Change and Peasants

Resistance in the Himalaya 1999.

: Environmentalism A Global History, 2000.

Grone, R. Damodaran, V.,

Sangwar, S., : Nature and the Orient: The Environmental History of South

and South-East Asia, 1998.

Handique, R. : British Forest Policy in Assam, 2004.

Martinez-Alies, J and Guha R.: Varieties of Environmentalism: Essays North and South,

1998.

Pathak, Akhileswar : Law, Strategies, Ideologies: Legislating Forests in Colonial

India, 2002.

Rahman, A., : History of Indian Science, Technology and Culture. A.D.

1000-1800, 2002.

Sivaramakrishnan, K. (ed.) : Ecological Nationalisms, 2005.

Skaria, Ajay. : Hybrid Histories: Forest, Frontiers and Wildness in Western

India, 2000.

# (Optional –II) Women in Indian History

#### **Objective:**

The objective of this course is to describe the Feminist Movement, the key concepts in Women's studies as well as sources for reconstructions of Women's History. It will also describe the status of Women in Indian Society during the Vedic and Medieval period. Further the Reform Movement as well as the role of women in India's Freedom Struggle will be dealt with.

Unit: I Marks: 16

1.01 : Definition and Scope, Feminist movements and Development of Women's History

Key Concepts in Women's Studies – Gender, Patriarchy and Sexual Division of Labour 1.03 Sources for Reconstruction of Women's History – Oral Narratives, Memoirs, Diaries, Autobiographies etc. Unit: II Marks: 16 2.01 Women In Ancient Indian Society: Vedic Period 2.02 Status of Women In Buddhism 2.03 Changing Status of Women in the Subsequent Periods 2.04 Women in Medieval India Unit: III Marks: 16 Social customs and Reform Movement in 19<sup>th</sup> century India: Sati, widow 3.01 Remarriage, Female Infanticide: Role of Brahma Samaj, Arya Samaj, Parthana Samaj and Aligarh Movement 3.02 Jyotiba Phule, Pandita Ramabai and Begum Rukia Sakhawat Hussain Development of Women's' Education in 19th and 20th Century: Role of Social 3.03 Reformers and Missionaries 3.04 Sarda Act, 1929 and Hindu Women's Right to Property Act, 1937 Unit: IV Marks: 16 4.01 Development of Women's Organization: Women's Conference, 1910 and National Council of Women in India 4.02 Demand for Women's Franchise 4.03 Women in Indian Freedom Struggle: Pre-Gandhian Phase 4.04 Women in Freedom Struggle: Gandhian Phase 4.05 Women in Revolutionary Movement Unit: V Marks: 16 5.01 Women, Society and Patriarchy in Medieval Assam Social Reform Movement in 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century 5.02 Development of Women's Organization in Assam 5.03 5.04 Women in Freedom Struggle in North East India

#### **Text Books:**

1.02

: The Position of Women in Hindu Civilization, 2<sup>nd</sup> Altekar, A.S.

print, Delhi, 1978

: Women in Ancient in Medieval India, Vol. IX, Chandel, Bhuban (ed.)

Part – II Delhi, 2009

Desai Neera & Thakaar, Usha, (ed) : Women in Indian Society. Forbes Geraldine : Women in Modern India, 1998 Mahanta, A : Journey of Assamese Women 1836 –1937, Guwahti -

2008

Sharma, Dipti : Muktijudhat Luitpuria Nari, Guwahati, 1995

Barman, S., Devi, S. : Asomiya Nari: Otijya aru Uttaran, Guwahati, 2002

**Reference Books:** 

Geetha, V : Gender, Kolkata, 2009 : Patriarchy, Calcutta –2007 Medhi, Kunja : Pitri Tantra Ki? Guwahati, 2004

Kumar, Radha : The History of Doing. 1993

Krishnamurthy, J (ed) : Women in Colonial India, Delhi, 1989. Lerner, Gerda : The Creation of Patriarchy 1996.

Majumdar, V. : Studies on the Political Status of Women in India.

Delhi 1979.

Mukherjee, P. : Hindu Women Normative Models, Calcutta -1999

Nair, Janaki : Women and Law in Colonial India, 2000.

Ray Bharati (ed.) : Women of India: Colonial and Post Colonial Period,

Delhi- 2005

Roy, KumKum. (ed). : Women in Early Indian Societies, 1996

Sangari Kumkum & Vaid

Sudesh, (ed). : Recasting Women Essays in Colonial History, 1992

Sharma, A (ed) : Women in Indian Religions, 2004.

Sharma, D : The Role of the Assamese Women in the Freedom

Movements

Swarup Hemlata, Bisaria Sarojini : Women, Politics and Religion.

Thorner, Alice& Krishnaraj M. : Ideal, Images and Real lives, essays on women,

history and literature, Orient Longman, 1999.

Walters, Margaret : Feminism, A Very Short Introduction, Oxford, 2005.

# B.A. (MAJOR) PROGRAMME HISTORY (HISM) SCHEME OF COURSES

(Each Course shall carry 100 marks, which shall be distributed as End Semester=80 and Internal Assessment=20. Courses are so planned that each of these will require 45-50 classes of 45 minutes duration.)

Semester -I

**HISM-101** : INTRODUCTION TO HISTORY AND ITS SOURCES

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

Semester -II

HISM - 201: EARLY AND MEDIEVAL ASSAM UPTO 1826

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

**Semester-III** 

HISM-301: HISTSORY OF ASSAM: 1826-1947

HISM-302: SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC HISTORY OF ASSAM

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

Semester-IV

HISM-401 : HISTORY OF INDIA (FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES TO 1200 A.D.)

HISM-402: HISTORY OF INDIA (FROM 1200-1750A.D.)

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

Semester-V

HISM-501: HISTORY OF INDIA (FROM 1750-1947 A.D.)

HISM-502: History of Europe (1453 –1815)

HISM -503: HISTORY OF EUROPE: 1815 - 1945

HISM -504: TOURISM IN NORTH-EAST INDIA: HISTORICAL DIMENSIONS

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

Semester-VI

HISM-601: HISTORY OF ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN INDIA

HISM-602: WOMEN IN INDIAN HISTORY

HISM- 603: WORLD REVOLUTIONS

HISM -604: HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN INDIA

(End Semester: 80+Internal Assessment=20)

HISM: 101 End- Semester Marks : 80
In- Semester Marks : 20
INTRODUCTION TO HISTORY AND ITS
SOURCES Total Marks : 100
10 to 12 classes per unit

Objective:

The objective of this course is to introduce the students to the basics of the discipline of History and acquaint them to the understanding of its sources in their varied forms, contents, uses and analysis.

Unit:	I	Marks: 16	
1.01	:	History – Definition and Scope	
1.02	:	History and Other Disciplines: Archaeology, Geography, Anthropology,	
		Sociology, Economics, Literature, Epigraphy and Numismatics	
1.03	:	Sources for the Historians: Primary Source and Secondary Source; Internal	
		Criticism and External Criticism of the Sources	
1.04	:	Historiography: Major Trends of History Writing in India - Imperialist,	
		Nationalist, Marxist and Subaltern	
Unit: II Marks: 16			
2.01	:	Vedic Literature, Jatakas, Arthasatra, Itihasa Purana, Rajatarangini	
2.02	:	Accounts of Travellers: Megasthenes, Fahien, Hiuen Tsang	
2.03	:	Inscriptions of Early India: Asokan Edicts, Hathigumpha Inscription of	
		Kharavela, Girnar Rock Inscription of Rudradaman, Allahabad Pillar	
		Inscription of Samudragupta	
2.04	:	Coins of Early India	
Unit: III Mar			
3.01	:	Indo-Islamic Historical tradition: Sultanate Period : Alberuni, Ziauddin	
		Barani.	
3.02	:	Mughal Period: Abul Fazl, Badauni.	
3.03	:	Regional Traditions: Bakhar (Maharastra)	
3.04	:	Accounts of Travellers: Bernier, Travernier	
3.05	:	Development of Regional Literature : Bengali, Hindavi	

Unit: IV
 4.01 : Inscriptions of Early Assam: Nidhanpur Copper Plates of Bhaskaravarman,
 Guwahati Copper Plate Grant of Indrapala, Tezpur Inscription of
 Harjarabarman
 4.02 : Kalika Purana, Yogini Tantra, Bhakti Literature in Assam –

4.03 : Charit Puthis : Development of *Charit* tradition in Assam, the *Guru Charita* 

Katha

4.04 : The Darang Raj Vamsavali

4.05 : Coins of Medieval Assam : Ahom, Koch, Kachari, Jayantia.

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Inscriptions of Medieval Assam: CP Inscription of the Siva Temple, Dergaon,

1656 saka/ 1734 AD; Land and Servitor Grant Inscription of the Bengena-ati

satra, Majuli 1695 saka/ 1773 AD

5.02 : Buranjis: Development of Buranji Tradition in Assam,

5.03 : Different Kinds of Buranjis : Deodhai Assam Buranji, Patshah Buranji,

Tripura Buranji.

5.04 : Accounts of Travel Writers: Shihabuddin Talish.

5.05 : Colonial Accounts : Captain Welsh's Report

**Text Books:** 

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Majumdar. R.C. : Historiography in Modern India, London, 1970

Mukhia Harbans : Historian and Historiography during the Reign of Akbar, New Delhi,

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Rhodes, N. and

Bose, S.K. : *The Coinage of Assam*, Vol. I, Pre-Ahom Period, Vol- 11, Ahom

Period

Sharma, N (ed.) : Darang Raj Vansawali, Guwahti, 1973

Sen. S : Historians and Historiography in Modern India, Institute of

Historical Studies, Calcutta 1973.

Sarkar.J.N. : History of History Writing in Medieval India, Calcutta, 1977.

Sachau Edward (tr.) : *Alberuni's India*, New Delhi, 1983 Shastry, B.N. : *Kalika Purane Murtivinirddeshah* : *Kalika Puran* (tr. And ed.), Delhi, 2002

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# HISM: 201 **EARLY AND MEDIEVAL ASSAM UPTO 1826**

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100 10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

The objective of this paper is to give a critical outline of the political history of Assam from the earliest times to its occupation by the English East India Company in the first quarter of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. It aims at acquainting the students with major and significant stages of developments in the course of the history of the state of Assam since early times.

Unit-1: Marks: 16

1.01 : State Formation in Early Assam: Pragjyotisha-Kamarupa under the Varmans

1.02 : Dynastic History of the Post-Varmana Period: the Salastambhas and Palas

1.02.1 : Decline and Fall of the Kingdom of Kamarupa: Invasions of the Turko-Afghans

Unit-II Marks: 16

2.01 : Political Conditions of the Brahmaputra Valley at the time of the Advent

of the Ahoms –Geographical, Political and Social conditions

The Ahoms their Origin and Migration

2.03 : Emergence of the Bhuyans : their Political and Cultural contributions

2.04 : The Kingdom of Kamata : Rise and Fall

Unit-III Marks: 16

3.01 : State formation in the Brahmaputra Valley-the Chutiya and the Kachari states- their rise and fall

3.02 : The Koch State : Rise and Fall

3.03 : Expansion of the Ahom Kingdom in the 16<sup>th</sup> century- Suhungmung *alias* Dihingiya Raj

Unit-IV: Marks: 16

4.01 : Ahom-Mughal wars – Rule of Pratap Singha - Administrative developments and role of Momai Tamuli Barbarua

4.02 : Invasions of Mir Jumla and Ram Singha : Causes, Results and Consequent Changes in the socio-political systems

4.03 : Post-Saraighat Political developments- Ascendancy of the Tungkhungia

Dynasty: Gadadhar Singha and Rudra Singha.

Unit –V: Marks: 16

5.01 : Decline of the Ahom Kingdom – Siva Singha to Lakshmi Singha – the

Moamariya Rebellion- Causes and Consequences

5.02 : The Burmese Invasions- Causes and Consequences- the Treaty of Yandaboo

and Assam

5.03 : Ahom System of Administration

**Text Books:** 

Barpujari, H.K : The Comprehensive History of Assam, Vols. I and II

Baruah, S.L. : A Comprehensive History of Assam, Munshiram Monoharlal

Publishers Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1985

Boruah, Nirode

Baruah, Surajit : *Asomar Itihas*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition (revised) K.M. Publishing, Guwahati,2007 Chaudhury, P.C : *The History of the Civilization of the People of Assam to the* 

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Gait E.A. : A History of Assam, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, LBS Publication, Guwahati, 1962

Nath. D. : *Asam Buranji*, (Revised) Guwahati, 2009 : *History of the Koch Kingdom*, Delhi –1989

Reference Books:

Bhuyan, S.K : Anglo-Assamese Relations, Gauhati, 1948

Guha, Amalendu : Medieval and Early Colonial Assam-Society, Polity and

Economy, Calcutta, 1991

Gogoi. P : The Tai and the Tai Kingdoms: With a Fuller Treatment of the

Tai-Ahom Kingdom in the Brahmaputra Valley, Gauhati University,

1968

**HISM: 301** 

HISTORY OF ASSAM: 1826- 1947

End- Semester Marks: 80
In- Semester Marks: 20

Total Marks : 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

Objective:

The course aims at introducing the students to understanding the focus and aspects of changes and developments in the socio -political and economic life in Assam during the colonial period.

Unit I:
Marks: 16
1.01 : Political condition in Assam on the eve of the British occupation.
1.02 : Consolidation of the British rule – Reforms and Reorganizations - David Scott , Robertson and Jenkins.
1.03 : Annexation of Lower Assam and Restoration of Purandar Singha in Upper Assam (1833-38)

Unit II: Marks: 16

2.01 : Annexation of Cachar

2.02 : Early phase of Revolts and Resistance to British rule - Gomdhar Konwar,

Piyali Phukan, U.Tirut Singh.

2.03 : The Khamti and the Singpho rebellion

2.04 : The 1857 Revolt in Assam and its aftermath.

2.05 : Establishment of Chief Commissionership in Assam.

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Peasant Uprisings in 19<sup>th</sup> century Assam - Phulaguri & Patharughat,

3.02 : Growth of national consciousness - Assam Association, Jorhat Sarbajanik

Sabha, and the Rayat Sabhas

3.03 : Impact of Partition of Bengal and Swadeshi Movement in Assam.

Unit: IV Marks: 16

4.01 : Government of India Act, 1919 – Dyarchy on Trial in Assam.

4.02 : Non Co-operation Movement and Swarajist Politics in Assam

4.03 : The Civil Disobedience Movement

4.04 : Government of India Act, 1935 and Ministry in Assam

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Trade Union Movement. (Include specific names)

5.02 : Tribal League and Politics in Assam

5.03 : Migration, Line System and its Impact on Politics in Assam

5.04 : Quit India Movement in Assam.

5.05 : Cabinet Mission Plan and the Grouping Controversy – the Sylhet Referendum.

**Text Books:** 

Barpujari, H. K : (ed) The Comprehensive History Of Assam, Vols. IV & V.

-----:: Assam in the Days of the Company. ----:: (ed) Political History of Assam, Vol. I.

Baruah, Swarnalata : A Comprehensive History of Assam. Munshiram Monoharlal

Publishers Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1985

Nath, D : Asam Buranji (Revised) Arun Prakashan, Guwahti- 2009

**Reference Books:** 

Bhuyan, A.C and : (ed) Political History of Assam, Vols. II & III.

De, S.

Bhuyan, A.C : (ed) Nationalist Upsurge in Assam.

Bora .S. : Student Revolution in Assam.

Chakravarti, B. C : British Relations with the Hill Tribes of Assam.

Dutta, Anuradha : Assam in the Freedom Movement.

Guha, Amalendu : Planters Raj to Swaraj: Freedom Struggle and Electoral

Politics in Assam.

Lahiri, R.M : Annexation of Assam

HISM: 302 Social and Economic History of Assam End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

**Objective:** 

The objective of this course is to acquaint the students with the socio-economic history of ancient, medieval and colonial Assam. The development of caste system, religious beliefs, agriculture and land system, the social organization, trade and commerce, various agricultural regulations, plantation economy, development of modern industries, transport system, education, the emergence of middle class, development of literature and press and growth of Public Association will be analyzed.

Unit: I Marks: 16

# Social and Economic History of Ancient Assam

1.01 : Development of Caste System in ancient Assam, Social Classes and Occupational Groups

1.02 : Religious Beliefs and Practices in Ancient Assam : Vaishnavism, Saivism,Shaktism and Buddhism

1.03 : Land System: Land Grant and Agrahara Settlements.

1.04 : Agriculture, Trade and Medium of Exchange

Unit: II Marks: 16

#### **Society in Medieval Assam**

2.01 : Social Organisation – Caste-Class Relationship, Nobility, *Paiks*, Slaves and Servants

2.02 : Neo-Vaishnavite Movement in Assam – Impact on Society

2.03 : Development of *Satra* Institutions

Unit: III Marks: 16

#### **Economy in Medieval Assam**

3.01 : Agriculture and Land System – Classification and Ownership of Land

3.02 : Land Revenue and other Taxes

3.03 : Trade and Commerce – Export and Import, Trade routes

3.04 : Medium of Trade

3.05 : Economic Relation between the Hills and the Valley : the *Posa* system.

Unit: IV Marks: 16

**Economy in Colonial Assam** 

4.01 Agriculture Regulations and revenue system

4.02 Plantation Economy of the Tea Industry

4.03 Development of Modern Industries-Coal and Oil.

4.04 Development of Transport System

Unit: V Marks: 16

# **Society in Colonial Assam**

5.01 Growth of Modern Education and the role of Christian Missionaries.

Language Controversy in 19<sup>th</sup> century Assam 5.02

5.03 **Emergence of Middle Class** 

5.03 Literary and Cultural Development, Impact of the Bengal Renaissance.

5.04 Development of Press and Growth of Public Associations – The Assam

Sahitya Sabha.

#### **Text Books:**

Barpujari, H.K.: (ed) : The Comprehensive History of Assam, Vol. I, III, IV & V.

Barua B.K. : A Cultural History of Assam

Baruah, S.L. : A Comprehensive History of Assam,

Munshiram Monoharlal Publishers Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi,

1985

Gogoi, Nath Jahnabi : Agrarian System of Medieval Assam, New Delhi-

Guha, Amalendu : Planters Raj to Swaraj: Freedom Struggle and Electoral

Politics in Assam 1826-1947

: Assam Buranji (Revised) Arun Prakashan, Guwahti-Nath, D

2009

#### **Reference Books:**

Boruah, Nirode : Early Assam, State formation, political centers,

cultural zones, Spectrum, Guwahati, New Delhi, 2007

Choudhury, P.C. : History of Civilization of the People of Assam to the

Twelfth Century A.D.

: A History of Assam. Gait, E.A.

: Medieval and Early Colonial Assam. Guha, Amalendu

Medhi, S. B : Transport System and Economic Development in Assam. : Religion and Society in North East India, DVS, Nath, D

Guwahati- 2011,

Rhodes, N. and Bose, S.K. : The Coinage of Assam, Vol. I, Pre-Ahom Period,

Vol.11, Ahom Period

Saikia, Rajen : Social and Economic History of Assam (1853-1921). Sarma, S.N.

: Socio Economic and Cultural History of Medieval

Assam, Guwahati, 1989

: Social and Economic Change in Assam: Middle Class Sharma, Monorama

Hegemony

80

HISM: 401

History of India (From the Earliest Times to 1200 A.D.)

End- Semester Marks:

In- Semester Marks : 20

Total Marks : 100

Objective: 10 to 12 classes per unit

The paper intends to acquaint the students with the emergence of state system in north India, the development of imperial state structure, the state formation in the Deccan and in South India in the early period. The paper will apprise the students with the changes and transformations in polity, economy and society in the early period and the cultural interactions of early India with the Southeast Asian Countries.

Unit: I Marks: 16

1.01 : Indus Civilization – origin, extent, urban planning and urban decline.

1.02 : Society, polity, economy and religion in the Rig Vedic Period

1.03 : Society, polity, economy and religion in the Later Vedic Period

Unit: II Marks: 16

2.01 : Rise of territorial states— Janapadas and Mahajanapadas

2.02 : Rise of new religious movements in north India- Jainism and Buddhism -

social dimension of early Jainism and Buddhism.

2.03 : The Mauryas - Background of Mauryan state formation

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Asoka : Dhamma- its propagation; Administration and Economy under the

Mauryas,

3.02 : Decline of the Mauryas

3.03 : Post–Mauryan period - The Sungas and Chedis

Unit: IV Marks: 16

4.01 : Central Asian contact and its Impact: The Indo-Greeks, Sakas and Kushanas

4.02 : The Gupta Empire- state and administration

4.03 : North India: Vardhanas, The Gurjaras, Pratiharas and Palas

4.04 : Feudal Economy and Society in the Post Gupta Period

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Sangam Age-literature, society and culture in South India.

5.02 : State formation in Deccan – the Satavahanas.

5.03 : The Pallavas and Chalukyas : contest for supremacy

5.03 : Cholas : Economy, Society and Polity in the Chola Period

**Text Books** 

Boruah, Nirode, and Baruah Surajeet : Pracin Bharatar Itihas, K.M. Publishing,

Guwahati 2005.

Jha, D.N. : Early India, New Delhi, 2006

-----:: Ancient India, Monohar, New Delhi, 2001

Majumdar, R.C. : Ancient India, Banaras, 1952

Nath, D : Bharatar Rajnaitik Aru Sanskritik Buranji,

(Revised), Arun Prakashan Guwahati,

Romila Thapar : Early India, Vol. I, Penguin, Delhi, 1996

Shastry, K.A. Nilakanta : History of South India

Sing, Upinder : A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India,

Pearson, 2009

**Reference Books:** 

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Habib & Thakur : The Vedic Age (Peoples History of India), Vol.

III, Tulika Books, New Delhi, 2003

Habib and Jha : Mauryan India (Peoples History of India),

Vol. IV, Tulika Books, New Delhi, 2004

Habib, I : The Indus Civilization (Peoples History of

India), Vol. II, Tulika Books, New Delhi, 2002 : *Pre History (Peoples History of India)*, Vol. I,

Tulika Books, New Delhi, 2001

Majumdar, Raychoudhary & Dutta : An Advanced History of India (Relevant

Chapters).

Sharma ,R. S : Perspectives in Social & Economic History of

Early India, Munshiram Manoharlal, Delhi,

1983

: India's Ancient Past, OUP, Delhi 2006

HISM: 402

**History of India (From 1200-1750A.D.)** End- Semester Marks: 80

In- Semester Marks : 20 Total Marks : 100

**Objective:** 10 to 12 classes per unit

The Objective of the Paper is to acquaint the pupils with political development in India between 1200-1750. It requires the pupils to understand the States in Medieval Times, Administrative apparatus and society, economy and culture of India in Pre-Modern Period.

Unit: 1 Marks: 16

1.01 : Foundation and consolidation of the Sultanate :

Iltutmish, Sultana Raziya, Balban and the Mongol invasions

1.02 : Expansion of Sultanate : Alauddin Khalji – conquests and administration

1.03 : Tughlaqs- Muhammad bin Tughlaq and Firoz Shah Tughlaq.

Unit: II Marks: 16

2.01 : Decline of the Sultanate

2.02 : Rise of Provincial Kingdoms and contest for supremacy : Vijaynagar and

Bahmani Kingdom.

2.03 : Political and Revenue administration : *Iqtadari system* 

2.04 : Agriculture, trade and commerce during the Sultanate period.

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Foundation of the Mughal Empire : Mughal – Afghan contest – Babur and

Humayun; Sher Shah and his administration.

3.02 : Consolidation and territorial Expansion of the Mughal Empire- Akbar,

Jahangir, Shahjahan, Aurangzeb.

3.03 : Mughal-Rajput Relations.

3.04 : Religious Policy of the Mughals

Unit: IV Marks: 16

4.01 : Rise of Maratha power under Shivaji.

4.02 : Disintegration of the Mughal Empire

4.03 : Mughal Administration : mansabdari and jagirdari System.

4.04 : Aspects of society and economy during the Mughal period : agriculture, trade

and commerce

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Bhakti movement : Nanak, Kabir and Mirabai

5.02 : Sufism : Different Silsilahs

5.03 : Architecture in the Sultanate and Mughal Period.

**Text Books:** 

Barua, P.K. Hussain, T.A. : Bharat Buranji

Chandra, Satis : Medieval India from Sultanat to the Mughals, Vols. I, II

Nath, D : Bharatar Rajnaitik Aru Sanskritik Buranji, (Revised)

Arun Prakashan Guwahati

Tripathy, R. P. : Rise and fall of the Mughal Empire

**Reference Books:** 

Asraf, K.M : Life and Conditions of the People of Hindusthan

Chitnis, K.N. : Socio- Economic History of Medieval India

Habib, Irfan : Agrarian System of Mughal Empire

Habib, M & Nizami : Comprehensive History of India, Vol.V

Majumdar, R.C. (ed) : The History and Culture of the Indian People, Vols. VI

Mehta, J.L. : Advanced Study in History of Medieval India, Vol. I & II

Nizami, K.A. : Studies in Medieval Indian History and Culture

Rashid, A : Society and Culture in Medieval India

Rizvi, S.A.A. : The Wonder that was India, Part-II

80

**HISM: 501** 

History of India (From 1750- 1947 A.D.)

In- Semester Marks : 20
Total Marks : 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

End- Semester Marks:

Objective:

This paper tries to highlight the major factors that led to the establishment and consolidation of the British rule in India. It also tries to see the process of the growth of nationalist movement, which ultimately led to the end of the British colonial rule in the country.

Unit: I Marks: 16

1.01 : Political condition in post-Mughal period and rise of regional powers : Bengal,
Oudh and Hyderabad

1.02: The Battle of Plassey and the Battle of Buxar – the establishment of the British

rule in India.

1.03 : Robert Clive and his Dual Administration in Bengal.

Unit: II Marks: 16

2.01 : Expansion and Consolidation of the British rule under Warren Hastings and

Lord Cornwallis.

2.02 : British relations with the Marathas and Mysore.

2.03 : Lord Wellesley and the Policy of Subsidiary Alliance.

2.04 : Lord Hastings and the relations with the Indian States.

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Lord Bentinck and his reforms ; Raja Ram Mohan Roy and the growth of

progressive ideas in India.

3.02 : The Growth and expansion of Sikh power under Ranjit Singh.

3.03 : Lord Dalhousie and his policy of expansion- the Doctrine of Lapse

Unit :IV Marks: 16

4.01 : The Revolt of 1857- its causes and consequences, the Government of India

Act of 1858.

4.02 : The British Economic policies in India – Land revenue systems – Permanent

settlement, Ryotwari and Mahalwari; trade, commercialization of agriculture,

the Drain Theory.

4.03 : The growth of national awakening in India and the establishment of the Indian National Congress.

Marks: 16

5.01 : Lord Curzon and the Partition of Bengal – the Swadeshi Movement in India –

growth of Revolutionary Terrorism.

5.02 : Gandhi in Indian politics- the Khilafat and the Non Co-operation Movement,

the Civil Disobedience Movement.

5.03 : The growth of the Left, Muslim League and Communal politics in India.

5.04 : The Quit India Movement – The INA and Partition of India.

**Text Books:** 

Unit: V

Bandyopadhya, Sekhar : From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India,

Orient Longman Ltd. Hyderabad, 2004.

Chandra, B, Mukherjee, M and et, al: India's Struggle for Independence, Penguin Books,

New Delhi, 2003.

Grover B.L &

Grover, S: A New Look at Modern Indian History, S. Chand &

Company, New Delhi, 2004.

Sarkar, Sumit : Modern India

Spear, P : History of Modern India, Penguin Books, New Delhi,

1993.

**Reference Books:** 

Chandra, B : The Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism in

*India*, Peoples Publication House, New Delhi, 1990.

Desai, A. R :Social Background of Indian Nationalism, Popular

Publication, New Delhi, 1990.

Fisher, Micheal : The Politics of the British Annexation of India, 1757 –

1857, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1999.

Gopal, S: The British Policy in India, 1858-1905, Mc. Millan,

New Delhi, 1992.

Grewal, J. S: The Sikhs of the Punjab, Cambridge University Press,

New Delhi, 1999.

Gordon, Stuart : The Marathas, Cambridge University Press, New

Delhi, 1999.

Jones, K.W : Socio-Religious Reform Movements in British India,

Cambridge University Press, New Delhi, 1999.

Muir, Ramsay : The Making of British India.

Majumdar, R.C : (ed) British Paramountcy and the Indian Renaissance,

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Pune, 1963.

Sarkar, Sumit : *Modern India*, 1885 – 1947, Mc Millan, New Delhi,

2001

Smith, Vincent : The Oxford History of British India, Oxford University

Press, New Delhi, 1999.

HISM: 502

HISTORY OF EUROPE (1453 –1815)

End- Semester Marks : 80
In- Semester Marks : 20

Total Marks : 100

**Objective:** 10 to 12 classes per unit

The objective of this paper is to acquaint the undergraduate students about the major trends and developments that took place in Europe which ushered in the Modern Age.

Unit -I. Marks: 16

1.01 : Feudalism in Europe – Characteristics and End of Feudalism

1.02 : Renaissance: meaning - background-impact.

1.03 : Reformation: origin, courses and consequences: Counter Reformation

Unit-II: Marks: 16

2.01 : Colonial Expansion in the 15<sup>th</sup> –16<sup>th</sup> centuries – Portugal and Spain

2.02 : Impact of Colonial Expansion in Europe; Slave trade and Impact in Europe

2.03 : The Thirty Years War- causes and consequences

Unit-III: Marks: 16

3.01 : Absolute monarchy in France (Henry IV, Louis XIV and his Policies)

3.02 : Absolute monarchy in Spain (Phillip II)

3.03 : Absolute monarchy in England : Tudor period (Henry VII, Henry VIII and

Elizabeth)

3.04 : Absolute monarchy in England : Stuart period (James I and Chares I)

Unit-IV: Marks: 16

4.01 : Mercantilism and its Impact.

4.02 : Enlightened Despotism in Russia (Peter the Great; Catherine II)

4.03 : Enlightened Despotism in Prussia (Frederick the Great)

4.04 : Enlightened Despotism in Austria (Joseph II)

Unit-V: Marks: 16

5.01 : Development of Capitalism.

5.02 : Rise of Napoleon Bonaparte

5.02 : Internal and External polices of Napoleon

5.03 : European Politics and Downfall of Napoleon

#### **Text Books:**

Cameron, Euan (ed.) : Early Modern Europe An Oxford History,

New Delhi, 2004

Hayes, C J H : A Political and Cultural History of Modern

Europe, Vol.-I

Phukan, Meenakshi, : Rise of the Modern West: Social and Economic

History of Early Modern Europe, McMillan, New

Delhi, 2001.

# **Reference Books:**

Anderson, M.S., : Europe in the Eighteenth Century Longman,

1987.

Anderson, Perry, : The Lineage's of the Absolutist States

Cipola, Carlo M., : Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vol. II &

III Collins; 1974, Harvester Press, 1976.

De Vrics, Jan, : Economy of Europe in an Age of Crisis 1600-

1750.

Elton, G.R., : Reformation Europe, 1517-1559.

Hale, J.R., : Renaissance Europe

Hill, Christopher, : A Century of Revolutions (Norton, 1982).

Koenigsberger, H.G and G.L. Mosse : Europe in the Sixteenth Century Longman, 1971.

Lee, Stephen J.,

Mathias, Peter,

Pennington, D.H.,

: Aspects of European History, 1494-1789

First Industrial Revolutions London, 1969.
: Seventeenth Century Europe Longman, 1972.

HISM: 503 HISTORY OF EUROPE: 1815 - 1945

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

**Objective:** 10 to 12 classes per unit

The objective of this paper is to acquaint the students with the major political developments in Europe from 1815 to 1945. This course aims to bring to the students an understanding of the courses of transition of the continent from nation states to the major colonial powers

Unit: I Marks: 16

1.01 : The Congress of Vienna

1.02 : The Concert of Europe: Peace Settlements and its impact

1.03 : Metternich System and Balance of Power

Unit: II Marks: 16

2.01 : The Unification of Italy : Cavour and Garibaldi, Internal Affairs and Foreign

policy of Italy

2.02 : The Unification of Germany : Bismarck, Internal developments and foreign

Policies of Bismarck

2.03 : France under Napoleon III - Internal and Foreign Policies

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Era of Reforms in Russia-Alexander II and Alexander III

3.02 : The Eastern Question: Role of Imperialist powers: Crimean War-Russo-

Turkish War and the Berlin Congress- rise of nationalism and the Balkan

Wars.

3.03 : Imperialism in Africa

Unit: IV Marks: 16

4.01 : Europe before the First World War- Triple Alliance and Triple Entente- The

First World War and its Consequences

4.06 : The Paris Peace Conference and the Peace Settlements.

4.03 : The League of Nations- Origin and Activities.

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Italy under Benito Mussolini.

5.02 : Germany under Adolph Hitler.

5.03 : The Spanish Civil War

5.04 : The Second World War: Background, Course and Result

# **Text Books:**

Bhattacharyya, D : Europar Buranji (Assamese)
Bora, S : Adhunik Europe (Assamese)
Gooch, C.P : History of Modern Europe

Hayes, C J H : A Political and Cultural History of Modern Europe, Vol. II

Lee, Benns : European History since 1870

**Reference Book:** 

Lipson E : Europe in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century

Thompson D : Europe since Napoleon Vernadsky, H : A History of Russia

Fisher, H.A.L : History of Europe from early Eighteenth Century to 1935

HISM: 504 End- Semester Marks: 80

In- Semester Marks : 20

Total Marks : 100

TOURISM IN NORTHEAST INDIA: HISTORICAL 10 to 12 classes per unit

**DIMENSIONS** 

# **Objective:**

This paper intends to give the students an idea about Tourism in North-East India with special reference to the historical monuments and places of the northeastern region of the country as heritage sites of the nation. It aims to acquaint them with the growing vocation of tourism as an industry and the applicability of historical knowledge for its growth.

Unit: I Marks: 16

1.01 : Tourism – Concept, meaning and significance: Different types of Tourism.

1.02 : Historical Tourism: Preservation of Historical Sites and Remains

1.03 : Elementary Geography of North East India, land and rivers, climatic

conditions

1.04 : Population Structure and languages of North - East India.

Unit: II Marks: 16

2.01 : Remains of Goalpara

2.02 : Madan Kamdev, Ambari Excavations, Tezpur (Da Parvatia, Bamunipahar)

2.03 : Deopahar, Malinithan, Remains of Daiyang Dhansiri Valley

2.04 : Ahom Architecture : Charaideo, Gargaon, Rangpur

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Kachari Architecture: Dimapur, Kasomari, Maibong and Khaspur

3.02 : Temple Architecture: Kamakhya, Hayagriva Madhava,

3.03 : Temple Architecture in Sivasagar

3.04 : Poa Mecca, Hajo ; Azan Pir Dargah.

Unit: IV Marks: 16

4.01 : Jonbil Mela, Ambubachi fair at Kamakhya; Ras celebrations in Majuli.

4.02 : Fesivals : Bihu, Ali Aye Ligang, Mopin festival, Tai-Buddhist Festivals in

Assam

4.03 : Satra Culture and Bhaona

4.04 : Tourist Festivals based on ethnic culture: Horn Bill Festival, Dihing Patkai

**Festival** 

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : History of Wildlife Conservation in North - East India

5.02 : Important Wildlife Habitats: Kaziranga, Manas, Orang, Gibon, Pobitara,

Nameri, Dibru Saikhowa and Namdapha, Rain Forests of Assam.

5.03 : Places of tourist interest in North- East India : Shillong, Cherapunjee, Jatinga,

Tawang, Kohima

**Text Books:** 

Bezbarua, M : Tourism in North-East India

Bora, S, & Bora, M. C : The Story of Tourism: An Enchanting Journey through India's

North-East

: Paryatanar Ruprekha: Uttar Purbanchalar Itihas Aru

Sanskritir Patabhumi

Deka, Hitesh : Assam – Land and People

Gogoi, P & Nath, D. : Paryatan – lyar Bikash. (2006 edition)

North East

**Reference Books:** 

Bala, Usha : Tourism in India: Policy and Perspectives.

Barua, B.K. : Assamar Loka Sanskriti.

Basham, A.I. : Wonder that was India, Delhi, 1994.

Barpujari, H.K. : The Comprehensive History of Assam, Guwahati –1994

Bhatia, A. K. : Tourism in India.

Choudhuri, P.C. : The History of Civilization of the People of Assam to the 12<sup>th</sup>

Century A.D., Guwahati, 1966.

I.T.D.C. : All Publications.

Madik, B. : Tourism: Past, Present and Future,

Nath, R.M. : Background of Assamese Culture, Guwahati, 1978. Neog, M : Asamiya Sanskriti Ruprekha, Guwahati- 1970

Neog, M. : Pabitra Asam.

Sarma, P : Architecture of Assam, Delhi – 1988 Sengupta, G : Archaeology of North-East India.

Singh, J. P. &

Vidyarthi, L.P. . (ed.) : Art and Culture of North-East India.

HISM: 601

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

# HISTORY OF ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN INDIA

10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective:**

This course intends to acquaint the students with the new discipline of ecological and environmental history. It intends to familiarize them with the relation between ecology and human civilization with particular reference to post independence India. It also attempts to bring the pupils to the understanding of the social and economic conflicts emerging due to environmental factors.

Unit I: Marks: 16

1.01 : Emergence of Environmental History as a branch of History

1.02 : Geographical Background of the Indian Subcontinent : Physical division, flora

and fauna.

1.03 : Mode of Resource Utilization : Gathering, Nomadic, Pastoralism, Agricultural

Mode and Industrial Mode

Unit II: Marks: 16

2.01 : Ecological mapping of Indus Valley Civilization and its decline: the

**Environmental factors** 

2.02 : Use of iron implements; Agricultural Expansion and Deforestation in the

Gangetic Valley.

2.03 : Forest and the pastoral communities in the Medieval period.

Unit III: Marks: 16

3.01 : Making of British Forest Policy in India : Forest Acts of 1878 and 1927

3.02 : Impact of British Forest Policy : Deforestation and Ecological

change in India.

3.03 : Commercial Exploitation of Forest Products; Impact of Railway Construction

on Forestry during the colonial period.

Unit IV: Marks: 16

4.01 : Conservation Policies in Post independence Period; Social Forestry

4.02 : Environmental movements : Chipko Movement, Narmada Bachao Andolan.

4.03 : Dams and Mines: Problems of displacement, Loss of Livelihood and Problems

of Rehabilitation

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Impact of Plantation Economy and Forestry in Assam

5.02 : Flood and Soil Erosion in the Brahmaputra Valley

5.03 : Environmental impact of Shifting Cultivation.

**Text Books:** 

Gadgil, M and R, Guha : The Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India, 1992.

: Ecology and Equity, 1998.

: Use and Abuse of Nature (incorporating this Fissured Land

and Ecology and Equity) 2000.

Rangarajan, M (ed) : Environmental Issues in India: A Reader, New Delhi –2010

**Reference Books:** 

Agarwal, D.P : Man and Environment in India through the Ages, 1992. Arnold, D and Guha, R. : Nature, Culture, Imperialism: Essays on the Environmental

History of South Asia, 1996.

Bhattacharya, D.K. : Ecology and Social Formation in Ancient History, 1990.

Cederlof, Gunnel and

Chakrabarti, Ranjan, (ed.) : Situating Environmental History, 2006.

: Does Environmental History Matter? Shikar, Subsistence and

the Sciences 2007.

Dhavalikar, M.K. : Environment and Culture: A Historical Perspective, 2002 Guha, Sumit, : Environment and Ethnicity in India 1200-1991,1999.

Guha, A. : Medieval and Early Colonial Assam: Society, polity,

Economy, 1991.

Guha, R. : The Unquiet Woods: Ecological Change and Peasants

Resistance in the Himalaya 1999.

: Environmentalism: A Global History, 2000.

Grone, R. Damodaran, V.,

Sangwar, S., : Nature and the Orient: The Environmental History of South

and South-East Asia, 1998.

Handique, R. : British Forest Policy in Assam, 2004.

Martinez-Alies, J and Guha R.: Varieties of Environmentalism: Essays, North and South,

1998.

Pathak, Akhileswar : Law, Strategies, Ideologies: Legislating Forests in Colonial

India, 2002.

Rahman, A., : History of Indian Science, Technology and Culture. A.D.

1000-1800, 2002.

Sivaramakrishnan, K. (ed.) : *Ecological Nationalisms*, 2005.

Skaria, Ajay. : Hybrid Histories: Forest, Frontiers and Wildness in Western

India, 2000.

# HISM: 602 Women in Indian History

End- Semester Marks: 80
In- Semester Marks: 20
Total Marks: 100
10 to 12 classes per unit

# **Objective**:

The objective of this course is to describe the Feminist Movement, the key concepts in Women's studies as well as sources for reconstructions of Women's History. It will also describe the status of Women in Indian Society during the Vedic and Medieval period. Further the Reform Movement as well as the role of women in India's Freedom Struggle will be dealt with.

<b>Unit:</b> 1.01	I :	Marks: 16 Key Concepts in Women's Studies – Gender, Patriarchy and Sexual Division
1.01	•	of Labour
1.02		
	:	Feminist movements and Development of Women's History
1.03	:	Sources for Reconstruction of Women's History – Oral Narratives, Memoirs,
		Diaries, Autobiographies
Unit:	II	<b>Marks: 16</b>
2.01	:	Women In Ancient Indian Society: Vedic Period
2.02	:	Status of Women in Buddhism
2.03	:	Changing Status of Women in the Subsequent Periods
2.04	:	Women in Medieval India
Unit:	III	Marks: 16
3.01	:	Social customs and Reform Movement in 19 <sup>th</sup> century India : Sati, widow
		Remarriage, Female Infanticide: Role of Brahma Samaj, Arya Samaj,
		Parthana Samaj and Aligarh Movement
3.02	:	Jyotiba Phule, Pandita Ramabai and Begum Rukia Sakhawat Hussain
3.03	:	Development of Women's' Education in 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> Century : Role of Social
		Reformers and Missionaries
3.04	:	Sarda Act, 1929 and Hindu Women's Right to Property Act, 1937
Unit: IV		<b>Marks: 16</b>
4.01	:	Development of Women's Organization: Women's Conference, 1910 and
		National Council of Women in India
4.02	:	Demand for Women's Franchise
4.03	:	Women in Freedom Struggle: Pre-Gandhian Phase
4.04	:	Women in Freedom Struggle: Gandhian Phase
4.05	:	Women in Revolutionary Movements
Unit: V Marks:		
5.01	:	Women, Society and Patriarchy in Medieval Assam

5.02 : Social Reforms in 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Assam

5.03 : Development of Women's Organizations in Assam

5.04 : Women in Freedom Struggle in North East India

#### **Text Books:**

Altekar, A.S : The Position of Women in Hindu Civilization, 2<sup>nd</sup>

print, Delhi, 1978

Desai Neera & Thakaar, Usha, (ed) : Women in Indian Society. Forbes Geraldine : Women in Modern India, 1998

Mahanta, A : Journey of Assamese Women 1836 –1937, Guwahti -

2008

Sharma, Dipti : Muktijudhat Luitpuria Nari, Guwahati, 1995

Barman, S., Devi, S. : Asomiya Nari: Otijya aru Uttaran, Guwahati, 2002

#### **Reference Books:**

Geetha, V : Gender, Kolkata, 2009

-----:: *Patriarchy*, Calcutta –2007

Medhi, Kunja : *Pitri Tantra Ki*? Guwahati, 2004 Kumar, Radha : *The History of Doing. 1993* 

Krishnamurthy, J (ed) : Women in Colonial India, Delhi, 1989. Lerner, Gerda : The Creation of Patriarchy 1996.

Majumdar, V. : Studies on the Political Status of Women in India.

Delhi 1979.

Mukherjee, P. : Hindu Women Normative Models, Calcutta -1999

Nair, Janaki : Women and Law in Colonial India, 2000.

Ray Bharati (ed.) : Women of India: Colonial and Post Colonial Period,

Delhi- 2005

Roy, KumKum. (ed). : Women in Early Indian Societies, 1996

Sangari Kumkum & Vaid

Sudesh, (ed). : Recasting Women Essays in Colonial History, 1992

Sharma, A (ed) : Women in Indian Religions, 2004.

Sharma, D : The Role of the Assamese Women in the Freedom

Movements

Swarup Hemlata, Bisaria Sarojini : Women, Politics and Religion.

Thorner, Alice& Krishnaraj M. : Ideal, Images and Real lives, essays on women,

history and literature, Orient Longman, 1999.

Walters, Margaret : Feminism, A Very Short Introduction, Oxford, 2005.

10 to 12 classes per unit

HISM: 603
World Revolutions
End- Semester Marks: 80
In- Semester Marks: 20
Total Marks: 100

**Objective:** 

The objective of this course is to introduce the students to the significant historical changes in the socio-political and economic life in the world beginning with the 17<sup>th</sup> century European enlightenment to the coming of Globalization.

Unit: I Marks: 16

1.01 : Definition, Nature and Characteristics of Revolutions

1.02 : The Glorious Revolution in England, Background and results

1.03 : The Scientific Revolution.

Unit: II Marks: 16

2.01 : Age of Enlightenment –Rousseau, Voltaire, Hobbes, Locke, Diderot

2.03 : The American War of Independence : Causes and Consequences- The Bill of

Rights

2.04 : The French Revolution: Causes and Consequences –End of *Ancient* Order –

Women and the French Revolution.

Unit: III Marks: 16

3.01 : Revolutions of 1830 & 1848 in France and its impact in Europe;

3.02 : Industrial Revolution and Rise of New Social Order

3.03 : Print Revolution and its impact in Society.

Unit: IV Marks: 16

4.01 : The Revolution of 1905 and the October Revolution of 1917 in Russia.

4.02 : Dr. Sun – Yat- Sen and the Revolution of 1911

4.03 : Mao Ze Dong and the Conflict with the K.M.T. – Communist victory of 1949

Unit: V Marks: 16

5.01 : Green Revolution in India

5.02 : Revolution in Information Technology in late 20<sup>th</sup> century.

5.03 : Globalization and its impact on society, economy and culture.

# **Text Books:**

Hobsbawm, E.J. : The Age of Revolution

: Revolutionaries

Saikia, C.P.(ed) : Biswar Biplab Samuh

**Reference Book:** 

Doyle, William : The French Revolution (V.S.I)

John King Fairbank &

Merle Goldman : China: A New History, PHI, New Delhi –2009

Smith, S.A. : The Russian Revolution (V.S.I)

Rana, Mitter : Modern China

Lipson, E : Europe since Napoleon
Walter, Margaret : Feminism (V.S.I)
Manfred, Steger : Globalization (V.S.I)
Tzu, Immanuel : The Rise of Modern China
Brotton, Jerry : The Renaissance (V.S.I)
Holmes, Leslie : Communism (V.S.I)

Febvre, Lucien and

Martin, Henri – Jean : The Coming of the Book

HISM: 604

End- Semester Marks: 80 In- Semester Marks: 20 Total Marks: 100

10 to 12 classes per unit

#### HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN INDIA

# Objective:

The objective of this paper is to acquaint the students with the developments in Indian science and technology since early times in order to create in them an understanding of the country's contributions towards the growth of scientific research and technological developments in the world.

Unit: I Marks: 16

# Science and Technology in the early period

1.01 : History of science and technology - meaning, scope and importance. Interrelation of science, technology and society.

1.02 : Beginning of agriculture, agricultural tools and technology, Impact of the use of iron implements in agricultural production. Irrigation system in early India

1.03 : Development of Astronomy and Mathematics

1.04 : Development of medicine and surgery : Charaka and Sushruta Samhitas

1.05 : A brief review of Developments in Metallurgy, crafts and industries in Early India

Unit :II Marks: 16

# Science and technology in the Medieval Period

2.01 : Agriculture: Improvements in tools and technology, irrigation system and cropping pattern.

2.02 : Astronomy and Mathematics: Impact of the Arab World and role of Sawai Jai Singh

2.03 : Developments in medical knowledge and interaction between Unani and Ayurveda; Developments in the fields of chemistry and alchemy.

2.04 : New Developments in technology-Persian wheel, paper technology, mineral and metal technology, ship building, military technology-naval warfare, fire arms, glass making technology, and textile technology

2.05 : Social and cultural response to Technological changes.

Unit: III Marks: 16

# **Craft and Technological Developments in Assam in India pre Colonial times:**

3.01 : Silk and Cotton Textile

3.02 : Gold washing and Ornaments

3.03 : Iron Smelting and Ironwork; Brass and Bell metal.

3.04 : Social Organization and Craft production.

3.05 : Agriculture, extension of Agriculture, Shifting cultivation in N.E.India

Unit: IV Marks: 16

# Science and Technology in Colonial Period:

4.01 : Introduction of western and modern Science and technology

4.02 : Development of technological and scientific education: establishment of

Engineering

and Medical Institutions; Survey of India, Geological Survey of India.

4.03 : Impact of modern technology and infrastructure developments, Steam Engine,

Post and Telegraph, Railways, Printing Technology.

4.04 : Irrigation and agriculture in the colonial period

Unit: V Marks: 16

# **Indian response to Western Science:**

5.01 : Science and Indian Nationalism

5.02 : Swadeshi Movement and its impact on Modern Technology.

5.03 : Indian Scientists in the Colonial period-Mahendra Lal Sarkar, P.C.Ray and

J.C.Bose

5.04 : Gandhi and Nehru's Views on Science and technology

# **Text Books:**

Buragohain : *Puroni Asamor Silpa* (Assamese)

Forbes, R. J. &

Gogoi, B. : Bharatar Bijnan aru Prayukti bidyar Itihas Gogoi, P : Bharator Prajukti Vijnanar Buranji.

Habib, I : Technology in Medieval India c. 650 –1750 Tulika,

2008

**Reference Books:** 

Barbarua, Hiteswar : Ahomar Din (Assamese)
Cell Sir William : A History of Science

Dijsterhecis : A History if Science & Technology Kosambi, D.D. : Culture and Civilization in ancient

India: A Historical Outline

Mukherjee & Subrayappa (ed) : Science in India: A Changing Profile

Rahman, A. (ed) :History of Indian Science, technology and Culture

A.D. 1000-1800

Randhawa, M.S : A History of Agriculture in India, Vols. I & II

Sahu B.P. Ed. : Iron and Social Change in Early India

Qaisar, A.J. : The Indian Response to European Technology and

Culture 1498-1707.