

## Ancient Indian History & Archaeology/Culture

### (A) Major Core Courses

| Sl. No. | Sem  | Type of Course | Name of Course  | Credits | Marks |
|---------|------|----------------|---|---------|-------|
| 1.      | I    | MJC-1          | Political History of India (From Indus Valley Civilization to 319A.D.)  | 6       | 100   |
| 2.      | II   | MJC-2          | Political History of India (From 319 A.D.-1206A.D.)                     | 6       | 100   |
| 3.      | III  | MJC-3          | Socio-Economic History of Ancient India (From Earliest time to 647A.D.) | 5       | 100   |
| 4.      | III  | MJC-4          | Ancient Indian <u>Art &amp; Architecture</u>                            | 4       | 100   |
| 5.      | IV   | MJC-5          | Ancient Indian <u>Epigraphy</u>   | 5       | 100   |
| 6.      | IV   | MJC-6          | Ancient Indian <u>Numismatics</u>                                       | 5       | 100   |
| 7.      | IV   | MJC-7          | Ancient Indian <u>Religion &amp; Philosophy</u>                         | 5       | 100   |
| 8.      | V    | MJC-8          | Concept and Technique of Archaeology & Excavated                        | 5       | 100   |
| 9.      | V    | MJC-9          | Ancient Indian <u>Polity &amp; Administration</u>                       | 5.      | 100   |
| 10.     | VI   | MJC-10         | Ancient World <u>Civilizations (up to 600B.C.)</u>                      | 4       | 100   |
| 11.     | VI   | MJC-11         | <u>Museology and Tourism</u>  | 5       | 100   |
| 12.     | VI   | MJC-12         | <u>History &amp; Cultural Heritage of Ancient Bihar</u>                 | 5       | 100   |
| 13.     | VII  | MJC-13         | <u>Pre And Proto History of India &amp; Ancient Indian Potteries</u>    | 5       | 100   |
| 14.     | VII  | MJC-14         | <u>Research Methodology</u>   | 5       | 100   |
| 15.     | VII  | MJC-15         | <u>Political History of South India :750 A.D. to 13th Century A.D</u>   | 6       | 100   |
| 16.     | VIII | MJC-16         | <u>Social History of Ancient India</u>                                  | 4       | 100   |

Sub Total = 80 Credits

## SEMESTER-I

### Political History of India (From Indus Valley Civilization onto 319A.D.)

#### Course Outcomes

After the completion of the course, the students will be able to:

- CO1: To explore original sources for the study of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology.  
 CO2: To raise consciousness about our Past and teach students to apply the learning to the present.  
 CO3: Prepare students for competitive examinations.  
 CO4: It also helps in developing future career in ASI Central & State, Museums, heritages, tourism, Teaching.

| MJC-1 Political History of India (From Indus Valley Civilization to 319 A.D.) |  |                      | No. of Lectures |
|---|--|----------------------|-----------------|
| Unit  | Topics to be covered   | Theory : credits (6) |                 |
| 1   | a) Sources of the study of Ancient Indian History<br>b) Indus valley Civilization<br>c) Town planning<br>d) Social ,Economic and religious conditions<br>e) Vedic Age(socio-Economic and religious conditions)   | 15                   | 15              |
| 2   | Political Condition in the sixth century B.C.<br>a) Mahājanapadas and Republics<br>b) Rise of Magadha Empire from the Haryamka to the end of Nanda dynasties.<br>c) Foreign Invasions(Persian and Meecedonians)<br>d) Achaemenion Invasions of India(Cyrus, Darius I and Xeraxes)<br>e) Alexander's Invasion of India. | 15                   | 15              |
| 3   | <b>Mauryan Dynasty</b><br>a) Origin<br>b) Chandragupta<br>c) AShoka<br>d) Ashoka-Dhamma and its propagation<br>e) Decline of Mauryan Dynasty   | 12                   | 12              |
| 4   | <b>Post-Mauryan Dynasties</b><br>a) Shunga<br>b) Kanva<br>c) Satavahana<br>d) Cedi<br>e) Shaka-Satavahana Relations  | 8                    | 8               |
| 5   | <b>Foreign Dynasties</b><br>a) Indo-Greeks<br>b) Saka (westernKsatrapas)<br>c) Pahlava<br>d) Kushāna<br>e) Date of Kanishka  | 10                   | 10              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  |  |                      | <b>60</b>       |

#### Reading List:

1. Raychoudhury, H.C., *Political History of Ancient India*, Calcutta, 1931
2. Raychoudhury, H.C., *Pracin Bhārata Ka Rajanitika Itihāsa* (Hindi), Allahabad, 1980.
3. Narain, A.K., *The Indo Greeks*, New Delhi, 1990
4. Puri, B.N., *India Under the Kusānas*, Bombay, 1965
5. Shastri, K.A.N. *The Age of Nandas and Mauryas*, Varanasi, 1967
6. Tripathi, R.S. *Ancient India*, Delhi, 1960.
7. Vijay Kumar Singh, *Glimpses of Early History in India* Radha Prakashan, Delhi 2016
8. *भारत का प्राचीन इतिहास* का शैक्षणिक रूप में उपयोग, दिल्ली, 1990
9. *भारत का प्राचीन इतिहास* का शैक्षणिक रूप में उपयोग, दिल्ली, 1990
10. *भारत का प्राचीन इतिहास* का शैक्षणिक रूप में उपयोग, दिल्ली, 1990

Badarshi  
14.6.2023

V. R. S.  
14/6/23

Vijay Kumar Singh  
14-6-23



## SEMESTER-II

### Political History of India (From 319 A.D.-1206 A.D.)

#### Course Outcomes

After the completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- CO1: To explore original sources for the study of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology  
CO2: To raise consciousness about our Past and teach students to apply the learning to the present.  
CO3: Prepare students for competitive examinations  
CO4: It also helps in developing future career in ASI Central & State, Museums, heritages, tourism, Teaching.

| MJC-2 Political History of India (From 319 A.D. - 1206 A.D.)<br>Theory: credits (6) |   |                 |
|---|---|-----------------|
| Unit  | Topics to be covered  | No. of Lectures |
| 1   | Early History of the Gupta<br>a) Chandragupta I<br>b) Samudragupta<br>c) Chandragupta II<br>d) Kumāragupta I and Skandagupta<br>e) Hūna Invasion and the Down fall of Gupta Empire  | 15              |
| 2   | The Vākātaka and Later Gupta<br>a) A brief History of Vākātaka dynasty<br>b) Vindhyaśakti, Pravārasena I, Rudrasena I, Prthvīsenā I, Rudrasena II.<br>c) Pravārasen II<br>d) Later Guptas<br>e) Maukharis   | 12              |
| 3   | History of Kannauj<br>a) Pūsyabhūti<br>b) Achievement of Harshavardhana<br>c) Yaśovarman  | 09              |
| 4   | Dynasties of North India<br>a) Political History of Kashmir (Karkota dynasty)<br>b) The Palas - achievements of Dharampala and Devpala<br>c) The Pratiharas.<br>d) The Arab and Turk invasion on India<br>e) Political History of Sindh                 | 12              |
| 5   | Dynasties of South India<br>a) Political & Cultural achievements of Pallavas<br>b) Achievements of Pulkesin II<br>c) Achievements of Rastrakutas . Govind III<br>d) Northern invasion of Rastrakutas<br>e) Achievements of Rajaraj I and Rajendra Chola | 12              |
| TOTAL   |   | 60              |

#### Reading List:

1. Majumdar, R.C. and A.S. Altekar, The Gupta-Vākātaka Age (Also in Hindi). Chapters 1, 11 and 14, London, 1946.
2. Majumdar, R.C. and A.D. Pusalker (eds.), The History and Culture of the Indian People, Vols. III and IV, Bombay, 1988 and 1980.
3. Pandey, Vimal Chandra, Prācīna Bhārata Kā Rājanāitika Itihāsa (600-1200 A.D.), Lucknow, 1973
4. Pathak, Vishuddhanand, Uttar Bhārata Kā Rājanāitika Itihāsa, Lucknow, 1973
5. Ray, H.C., Dynastic History of North India, Delhi, 1960.
6. Tripathi, R.S., Ancient India (English and Hindi), Delhi, 1960
7. Tripathi, R.S., History of Kannauj to the Moslem Conquest, Delhi, 1959
8. Upadhyaya, Vasudeo, Gupta Sāmrajya Kā Itihāsa (Hindi), Prayag, 1939
9. गुप्त परमेश्वर लाल गुप्त सम्राज्य का इतिहास नई दिल्ली, 1960
10. डॉ. जय नारायण गुप्त गुप्त इतिहास, 1960
11. गोपाल श्रीरम गुप्त युगीन भारत, जयपुर, 2005

Bela A  
14.6.2023

V. V. V.  
14/6/23

Vinay Kumar  
14.6.23

## ***Syllabus***

**Subject: Ancient History**

**Semester: IV**

**MJC-5: Ancient Indian Epigraphy**

### **Unit- I**

- Epigraphy as a source of History
- Origin and Development of Brahmi Script
- Origin of Kharosthi Script

### **Unit- II**

- **Asokan Edicts:** Rock Edict II, X, XII, XIII,
- Pillar Edicts IV, VII
- Lumbini Inscription of Asoka
- Minor Rock Edict of Bairat

### **Unit- III**

- Besnagar Garuda Pillar Inscription
- Hathigumpha Inscription of Kharvela
- Junagarh Rock Inscription of Rudradaman
- Lucknow Museum Jain image Inscription of the Time of Huviska

### **Unit- IV**

- Allahabad Pillar Inscription of Samundragupta
- Bhitari Inscription of Skandgupta
- Banskhra Inscription of Harsha
- Nalanda Copper Plate of Devpala

### **Unit- V**

- Aihole Pillar Inscription of Pulkesin II
- Gwalior Inscription of Mihir Bhoja
- Khalimpur Copper Plate of Dharmapala
- Sanjan Copper Plate of Amoghavarsha
- Mandisor Inscription of Yeshodharaman

## **Syllabus**

**Subject: Ancient History**

**Semester: IV**

### **MJC-6: Ancient Indian Numismatics**

#### **Unit-I**

- Coins as an important source of history
- Origin and antiquity of coinage in ancient India
- **Technique/Methods of Manufacturing Coins: Silver, Copper, Gold and Alloys**

#### **Unit-II**

- Barter System and antiquity of coins
- Punch marked coins
- Inscribed and un-inscribed cast coins

#### **Unit-III**

- Janpada and tribal Coins of Yaudheyas and the Malavas,
- Indo-Greek coins
- Saka-Kashtrapa

#### **Unit-IV**

- Kushana
- Satavahana Coinage
- Roman coins

#### **Unit-V**

- Coins of the Gupta dynasty up to Skandgupta
- Samudra Gupta
- Chandra Gupta-II

**पाठ्यक्रम**

**विषय— प्राचीन इतिहास**

**MJC 7— प्राचीन भारत में धर्म, दर्शन एवं राजनीतिक प्रशासन  
सेमेस्टर— चतुर्थ**

**इकाई—I**

- वैदिक धर्म
- उपनिषदीय दर्शन
- भारतीय दर्शन की छह प्रणालियाँ

**इकाई—II**

- भक्ति आंदोलन का उदय
- वैष्णववाद
- शैववाद
- शक्तिवाद

**इकाई—III**

- बौद्ध धर्म का उदय
- गौतम बुद्ध का जीवन और शिक्षाएँ
- बौद्ध परिषदें
- संप्रदाय— हीनयान, महायान
- वज्रयान

**इकाई—IV**

- जैन धर्म का उदय
- महावीर जैन का जीवन और शिक्षाएँ
- जैन दर्शन का परिचय
- जैन धर्म के संप्रदाय

**इकाई—V**

- सभा और समिति, विदथ पौरा— जनपद
- सप्तांग सिद्धांत
- राज्य का मंडल सिद्धांत
- मौर्य, गुप्त शासन व्यवस्था
- हर्ष और चोल शासन व्यवस्था



२५

*Syllabus*

**Subject: Ancient History**

**MJC-7: Religion, Philosophy and Political Administration in  
Ancient India  
Semester: IV**

**Unit-I:**

- Vedic Religion
- Upanishadic Philosophy
- Six Systems of Indian Philosophy

**Unit-II:**

- Rise of Bhakti Movement
- Vaishnavism
- Shaivism
- Shaktism

**Unit-III:**

- Rise of Buddhism
- Life and Teaching of Gautama Buddha
- Buddhist Councils
- Sects – Hinayana, Mahayana
- Vajrayana

**Unit-IV:**

- Rise of Jainism
- Life and Teaching of Mahavihara Jaina
- Introduction to Jaina Philosophy
- Sects of Jainism

**Unit-V:**

- Sabha and Samiti, Vidath Paura – Janapada
- Saptang Theory
- Mandal Theory of State
- Mauryan, Gupta Polity
- Harsha and Chola Polity