



HISTORY MDC

SYLLABUS

FOUR-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM (FYUGP)

KOLHAN UNIVERSITY, CHAIBASA

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Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP)
History, Code: MDC-1, Credits: 3, Sem-I

Multidisciplinary Course-1

History

Learning objectives

Introduce students to the different stages of the evolution of Indian society across historical periods.

Develop critical thinking skills through analysis of historical contexts.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

Understand the major phases in the evolution of Indian society from ancient to modern times.

Evaluate the impact of historical events on contemporary Indian society and its institutional developments.

Course Structure

Unit I: Discovering the Past: Sources, nature, scope and importance of History
(5 lectures/contact hours)

Unit II: Early Human Beings: Old Stone Age, Middle Stone Age, New Stone Age; The early villages and settled life; Beginnings of city life; The Indus Valley Civilization (10 lectures)

Unit III: A Land called Jambudvipa: Names of our country; the landscape, mountains and rivers (5 lectures)

Unit IV: Some Great Personalities of Indian History: Asoka, Samudragupta, Krishnadev Rai, Akbar, Raja Rammohan Roy, Pandita Ramabai, Jyotiba Phule, Dadabhai Naoroji, Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, APJ Abdul Kalam (10 lectures)

Unit V: Living in British Times: Indian National Movement (1857-1947): A brief survey (10 lectures)

Unit VI: Applications of History: Archives, museums, libraries, tourism, academic institutions (5 lectures)

Suggested readings

NCERT books (classes 10-12)

A. L. Basham, *A Wonder that was India*, Rupa, New Delhi, 1994

Amartya Sen, *The Argumentative Indian: Writings on Indian History, Culture and Identity*, Penguin 2006

Andrew Robinson, *India: A Short History*, Thames and Hudson, 2014
Bipan Chandra, *Aadhunik Bharat*, Orient Blackswan, 2005
Craig Jeffrey, *Modern India: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford, 2018
Herman Kulke and Deitmar Rothermund, *A History of India*, Taylor and Francis, 2016
R.S. Sharma, *Prarambhik Bharat ka Parichay*, Orient Blackswan, 2004
Satish Chandra, *Madhyakaleen Bharat: Rajnit, Samaj aur Sanskriti*, Orient Blackswan, 2020
Sue Hamilton, *Indian Philosophy: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford, 2001
Tony Joseph, *Early Indians: The story of our ancestors and where we came from*, Juggernaut, 2021