

# MA History Session 2022-2024

The course structure of the M.A. in History programme shall be as under:

Course No.	Name of the Course	Credit	Course Type
<b>Semester I</b>			
MHCC-101	Paper -1 Historiography and Methodology	05	Core Course
MHCC-102	Paper -2 Ancient India (6 <sup>th</sup> Century BC-318 AD.)	05	Core Course
MHCC-103	Paper -3 History of India(Political and Administrative Aspects:(1206-1757)	05	Core Course
MHCC-104	Paper -4 History of India (Political and Administrative Aspects:1758- 1947)	05	Core Course
MHGE-101	GE 1 History and Heritage	04	Generic Elective Course
MHRP- 101	RP 1 Research Project	04	Research Project
MHVD 101	History for Competitive Examinations	0	Value Added
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>28</b>	
<b>Semester II</b>			
MHCC-201	Paper -5 Historian's craft	05	Core Course
MHCC-202	Paper -6 Ancient India (319 AD-1200 AD)	05	Core Course
MHCC-203	Paper -7 History of Medieval India(Political and Administrative Aspects:1556-1739)	05	Core Course
MHCC-204	Paper - 8 History of India (Constitutional History and the Freedom Struggle of India : 1757-1947)	05	Core Course
MHGE-202	GE 2 General Studies for Civil Services and Other Competitive Examinations	04	General Elective
MHRP-202	RP 2 Research Project	04	Research Project
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>28</b>	

## MHCC-101 - Historiography and Methodology

Credit. 5

MM.75+25

### Course Outcomes

After the completion of the course, Students will be able to

1. Understand the past and present of the disciplines of history and public history by exploring their purpose, practice, and philosophy.
2. Reflect on the purposes, goals, motives, and assumptions historians bring with them to the study of history.
3. Understand the privileges and obligations associated with a career as a professional historian.
4. Understand historical trends in theory and method and be able to identify and explain major trends and issues in historiography.

### Unit-I

Meaning , Definitions, Source of History, Objectivity and Causation in History.

### Unit-II

Nature, scope and subject matter of History, philosophy, structure, forms and methodology

### Unit-III

Historiography of Medieval India: slave and Khalji Dynasty

### Unit IV

Historiography of Medieval India: Tughlaq and Lodi Dynasty

### Unit V

Mughal Historiography: Babur, Humayun and Shershah

## Suggested Readings

1. Arthur Marwick-*The Nature of History*
2. B. Sheik Ali-*History its Theory & Method* 3. E. Sridharan-*A Textbook of Historiography*
4. E.H. Carr-*What is History?*
5. Harbans Mukhia-*Historians & Historiography During the reign of Akbar*
6. I. H. Siddiqui-*Indo-Persian Historiography up to the 13<sup>th</sup> Century*
7. K. L. Khurana-*Concepts and Methods of Historiography*
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9. Mark Bloch-*The Historian's Craft*
10. Mohibbul Hasan (ed.)-*Historians of Medieval India*
11. R.G. Collingwood-*The Idea of History*
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**MHCC-102 Ancient India (6th Century ( BC-318 AD.)**

**Credit- 5**

**MM-75+25**

**Unit-1: Beginning of the Historical Period**

Shodash Mahajanapadas, Republics and Monarchies

The emergence, flourishing and development of Magadha (Nando Tak)

Iran and Greece invasion, effect

**Unit-2: Mauryan Period**

Chandragupta Maurya, Bindusar, Ashoka. The great

And his successive, downfall of Maurayn.

**Unit-3: Maurya Administration**

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Administration and Expansion of Empire Ashoka:

Form of Dhamma, Inscription Patan of the Maurya Empire

**Unit-4: Post-Mauryan Period**

Political fragmentation from 200 BC to 300 AD

Shunga Kanva Dynasty, achievements of Pushyamitra Shunga

Satavahana Dynasty, Gautamiputra Satakarni

**Unit-5: Foreign Invasions and Dynasties**

Indo-Bhavan Struggle

Shaka, Shaka-Satvahana conflict

Achievements of Kushan Kanishk

### **Suggested Readings**

Jha. D.N. - Revenue System in Post Maurya and Gupta Times, 1967.

Ojha, Ramprakash - Cultural Studies of North Indian Inscriptions, 1973

Mazumdar, B.P. - Socio-economic History of Northern  
India, 1960

Awasthi, A.B.L. - Geographical Form of Ancient India

Ghosh, N.A. - history of ancient India

Chattopadhyay, S. - The Shakas

Thakur, Upendra - Hunas in Ancient India Dandekar, R.N. - A History of the Guptas

Jain Harivamsa Purana - Jinsen - Bharatiya Jnanpith Publications 1978

Vayupuran Hindi Sahitya Sammelan, 1987, Prayag

Amarkosh - edited by V.S. Jhalkikar, Bombay

Vayu Purana - edited by Hari Narayan Apte, Poona,

Vrihat Samhita - edited by Karn, Calcutta,

Banerjee, R.D. - The Age of the Imperial Guptas

## **MHCC-103 History of Medieval India (Political & Administrative Aspects (1206-1757)**

**Credid.5**

**MM. 75+25**

### **Course Outcome**

This paper is designed to develop the understanding of India with the advent of Turks , Timurs , Afghans and subsequently the establishment of Mughal rule in some parts of India. An emphasis has been laid to cover the regions of India not under the domination of Turks and Mughals in India. This paper covers the territorial expansion of various Indian Kings and impact of Medievalism on Indian society and culture.

1. Critically discuss major social, political, economic, and cultural structures, events, And themes shaping the later Middle Ages.
2. Evaluate and analyse different medieval sources and modern historiography
3. Identify and assess evidence of social change and continuity throughout the period.
4. Critically evaluate the concept of decline in relation to the later middle Ages
5. Conduct research using primary sources and historiography relating to the period.
6. Formulate logical arguments substantiated with historical evidence.
7. Express ideas clearly in both written and oral modes of communication.

### **Unit - I**

1. Sources
2. Political condition of India on the eve of Turkish invasion.
3. Foundation of Delhi Sultanate: The Sultans (1206-1290)
4. , Mongol invasions.

### **Unit-II**

Foundation of the Khalji Dynasty:

1. Khalji Revolution
2. Jalaluddin Khalji Alauddin Khalji.
3. Expansion of the Sultanate, Administration, Qutbuddin Mubarak Shah

### **Unit-III**

1. Foundation of the Tughluq Dynasty
2. Ghiyasuddin Tughluq, Mohammad Bin Tughluq, Firoz Shah Tughlaq
3. Fall of the Tughluqs

### **Unit-IV**

1. Delhi Sultans: Theory of Kingship
2. Administration: Central Structure
3. Provincial structure

### **Unit-V**

1. Power and Functions of Wazir in the Central Administration
2. Revenue system
3. Military and Judicial system

### **Suggested Reading**

1. A C Banerjee-*History of Khaljis*
2. ABM Habibullah-*Foundation of Muslim rule in India*
3. Agha Mehdi Hussain-*History of the Tughluqs*
4. Agha Mehdi Hussain-*Mohammad bin Tughluq*
5. Harish Chandra Verma-*Medieval India (Part-01)*
6. Ishwari Prasad-*A History of the Qaraunah Turks*
7. K A Nizami-*Some Aspects of Religion & Politics in India during the 13<sup>th</sup> Century* 8. K S Lal-*History of the Khaljis*
9. Mohammad Habib & K A Nizami (ed.)-*A Comprehensive History of India Vol-V*
10. S A A Rizvi-*Wonder that was India Vol-II*
11. U N Day-*Some Aspects of Medieval Indian History*
12. Vipul Singh-*Interpreting Medieval India Vol-I &II*
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## **MHCC-103 History of India (Political & Administrative Aspects: 1758-1947)**

**Credit-5**

**MM-75+25**

Course Outcome

The course is designed to provide an overview of pre modern and modern Indian political history and

key concepts of the modern constitutional development to the students.

The paper covers the history of British

educational and agricultural policy with their impact over India. This paper also covers the development of

communalism in India and mergers of Princely states after Independence.

### **Unit I**

Advent of Europeans: Struggle for Supremacy

Conquest of Bengal: Plassey and Buxar, Nawabs of Bengal

Expansion of the British (1772- 1818), Warren Hasting (Chet Singh, Nand Kumar, relations with Begum of Awadh and the Rohillas), Impeachment , Subsidiary system Anglo- Mysore relations, Anglo- Maratha relations, Anglo-Nepal war, Extermination of the Pindaris, Estimate of Important Personalities (b) Company's policy towards Native states

Amherst's relations with Burma

William Bentick

### **Unit-II**

Ranjeet singh : political condition of Punjab at time of the ascendancy of Ranjeet singh, Assessment of Ranjeet singh

First Anglo- Afghan war

Annexation of sind

Anglo-Sikh relations Dalhousie as an annexationist .



### Unit III

The Revolt of 1857

### Unit IV

Rise of Imperialism;

1-Transfer of power from Company to Crown

2- Canning to Northbrook

Consolidation; Lytton, Ripon, Dufferin, Lansdowne, Elgin II: An analysis of political and Administrative issues . Curzon to Mountbatten: A historical appraisal .Native States and the Government of India

### Unit –V

British Policy towards the neighbouring CountriesAdministrative growth and changes under the Crown: Decentralization of finance, Policy of Officialisation, Local self Government, Indian civil services, changes in Army

### Suggested Readings

1. Bipan Chandra-*Modern India*
2. K M Pannikar-*The Evolution of British Policy towards Indian States, 1774-1858*
3. P E Roberts-*India under Wellesley*
4. R C Majumdar-*British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance*
5. R K Mukherjee-*The Rise and fall of the East India Company*
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12. Alfred Lyall-*British Dominion in India*
13. Bipan Chandra-*History of Modern India*
14. Dr. R. S. Rastogi-*Indo Afghan Relations*
15. Hira Lal Singh-*Problems and Policies of British in India (1885-1898)*

16. S. Gopal-*British Policy in India*
17. Sabyasachi Bhattacharya-*Rethinking 1857*
18. Shekhar Bandopadhyaya-*Plassey to Partition*
19. Sumit Sarkar-*Modern India*
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## **MHGE-101(GE 1) History and Heritage**

**Credit-5**

**MM- 75+25**

### **Course Outcome**

This course will enable students to understand the different facets of heritage and their significance.

It highlights the legal and institutional frameworks for heritage protection in India as also the challenges facing it.

The implications of the rapidly changing interface between heritage and history will also be examined.

The course will be strongly project-based and will require visits to sites and monuments.

At least two Projects will be based on visits to Museums/Heritage Sites.

### **Unit –I**

Defining Heritage

[1]Meaning of ‘antiquity’

[2]Archaeological sites

[3]Tangible heritage

[4]Intangible heritage and art treasures

### **Unit-II**

Evolution of Heritage -Legislation and the Institutional Framework:

1-Conventions and Acts— national and international

Heritage

2-Heritage related government departments

3-Museums, Regulatory Bodies

4-Conservation Initiatives

### **Unit-III**

Challenges facing Tangible and Intangible Heritage

1-Development of Heritage Sites

2-Antiquity smuggling.

3-Conflicts (to be examined through specific case studies)

## **Unit-IV**

Evolution of heritage legislation and the institutional framework

Convention and acts –national and international Heritage-related government department, museums, regulatory bodies' etc.

conservation initiatives

## **Unit-V**

Heritage and travel

Viweing Heritage Sites The relationship between cultural heritage

Landscape and travel recent trends.

## **Reading List**

David Lowenthal, *Possessed By The Past: The Heritage Crusade andThe Spoils of History*, Cambridge, 2010

Layton, R. P. Stone and J. Thomas. *Destruction and Conservation ofCultural Property*. London: Rutledge, 2001

Lahiri, N. *Marshaling the Past - Ancient India and its ModernHistories*.Ranikhet: Permanent Black. 2012, Chapters 4 and 5.

Biswas, *Protecting the Cultural Heritage (National Legislationsand International Conventions)*. New Delhi: INTACH, 1999.

Acts, Charters and Conventions are available on the UNESCO andASI websites ([www.unesco.org](http://www.unesco.org); [www.asi.nic.in](http://www.asi.nic.in))

Agrawal, O.P., *Essentials of Conservation and Museology*, Delhi,2006\_Chainani, S. 2007. *Heritage and Environment*. Mumbai:Urban Design Research Institute, 2007

## **MHVD 101-History for Competitive Examinations**

### **Course Outcome**

- CO1: To understand about the Ancient Indian History and its importance towards the development of civilizations.
- CO2: To examine about the political, social, economic, cultural and religious contribution to Muslim rule in India.
- CO3: To interpret about the British administration towards educational and industrial developments during colonial period.
- CO4 To know the role of various national leaders and national parties and their policies and impacts for the development of India.

### **Unit 1**

Ancient History Sources Prehistoric Age Indus Valley Civilization Vedic Age- Sangam Age - Alexander's Invasion- Religions in 6th century BC- Rise of Magada - Mauryas - Guptas- Harshavardhana.

### **Unit 2**

Medieval History - Muhammeden Invasions - Delhi Sultanate - Vijayanagar -Bahmini - Pallavas - Cholas - Bhakthi Movement.

### **Unit 3**

Mughal Empire Babur - Sher Shah Akbar Shahjahan - Aurangzeb - Decline of the Mughals - Contribution to culture.

### **Unit 4**

Advent of the Europeans -Robert Clive -Warren Hastings - Cornwallis -Wellesley Bentinck - Dalhousie - Sepoy Mutiny.

### **Unit 5**

Pre and Post Gandhian Era-Nationalism-Moderates Extremists Gandhian Era - Indian Independence Act of 1947 Indian Constitution.

### **Sugessted Readings.**

Aggarwal, J.C. The Ancient, Medieval & Modern Indian History, New Delhi: S.Chand & Co, 2009  
Sathianathier.R., Political and Cultural History of India, Vols. I,II & III, Madras, Mohan Pathipagam, 2002.

#### REFERENCE BOOKS:

Chakravarthy Freedom Fighters of India, New Delhi: Crest Publishing House, 1999.

Chandra Bipan et al, India's Struggle for Independence, New Delhi: Penguin Publications 1972

Sarkar Sumit, Modern India 1885-1947, New Delhi: Macmillan, 1983

Shailesh Chandra - Medieval India (1200-1800), New Delhi: Alfa Publicatios, 2009.

## Historian's craft

Credit-5

MM-75+25

### Course Outcomes

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### Unit-I

Understanding History: Generalization, Causation, Objectivity and Interpretation, History, Ideology and Society.

Pre-Modern Tradition: Greco-Roman Tradition, Traditional Chinese Historiography, Historiographical Traditions in Early India.

### Unit-II

Medieval Historiography: Western, Arabic and Persian, Indo-Persian, Local History

Approaches to History in Modern Times: Positive Tradition, Classical Marxist Tradition, The Annales School.

### Unit-II

Approaches to History in Modern times: Recent Marxist Approaches, Post-Modernist Intervention, Gender in History, Race in History

Approaches and Themes in Indian Historiography: Colonialist Historiography, Nationalist Approach,

### Unit-IV

Approaches and Themes in Indian Historiography: Communalist Trends, Marxist Approach, The Cambridge School.

Economic History: History from Below, Subaltern Studies, Economic History Peasantry and Working Classes.

### Unit-V

Societal History: Caste, Tribe and Gender Religion and Culture.

Science History: Environment, Science and Technology.

## **History of Medieval India(Political and Administrative Aspects:1556-1739)**

**Credit-5**

**MM-75+25**

### **Unit I**

Political condition of India on the eve of Babur's invasion

Foundation of Mughal Empire: Babur Humayun

Sur interregnum : Sher Shah, Islam Shah

### **Unit II**

Sources- Baburnama, Abbas Sarvani

### **Unit III**

Administrative Aspects: Lodis, Sher Shah, Islam Shah

### **Unit IV**

Mughals Concept of Sovereignty

Mansabdari

Central & Provincial Structure of Administration

Wazir

### **Unit IV**

Advent of Europeans: Struggle for Supremacy

### **Unit V**

Conquest of Bengal: Plassey and Buxar, Nawabs of Bengal



### **Suggested Readings:**

1. A B Pandey-*The first Afghan Empire*
2. A L Srivastava-*Medieval India*
3. A M Husain-*Tughluq Empire, History of Mohammad Bin Tughluq*
4. Ed. Habib and Nizami-*A Comprehensive History of India, Vol. V, Part-I*
5. H C Verma-*Medieval India Vol. I ( Also in Hindi)*
6. K A Nizami-*Some Aspects of Religion & Politics in India during the 13<sup>th</sup> Century*
7. K R Qanungo-*Sher Shah and his Times*
8. K S Lal-*History of the Khaljis*
9. R P Tripathi-*Mughal Administration*
10. R P Tripathi-*Rise and fall of the Mughal Empire*
11. Satish Chandra-*History of Medieval India*
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## **History of India (Constitutional History and the Freedom Struggle of India : ( 1757-1947)**

**Credit-5**

**MM-75+25**

### **Unit-I**

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### **Unit-III**

Rise of Imperialism; (a) Transfer of power from Company to Crown (b) Canning to Northbrook Consolidation; Lytton, Ripon, Dufferin, Lansdowne, Elgin II: An analysis of political and Administrative issues

### **Unit –IV**

(a) Curzon to Mountbatten: A historical appraisal (b) Native States and the Government of India

British Policy towards the neighbouring Countries

### **Unit –V**

Administrative growth and changes under the Crown: Decentralization of finance, Policy of Officialisation, Local self Government, Indian civil services, changes in Army

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3. Dr. R. S. Rastogi-*Indo Afghan Relations*
4. Hira Lal Singh-*Problems and Policies of British in India (1885-1898)*
5. S. Gopal-*British Policy in India*
6. Sabyasachi Bhattacharya-*Rethinking 1857*
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## **GE 2 General Studies for Civil Services and Other Competitive Examinations**

**Credit-4**

**MM-75+25**

### **Unit 1 CURRENT AFFAIRS-**

National symbols Profile of India Latest inventions on science & technology - Eminent personalities & places in news Sports & games - Books & authors Awards & honours Cultural panorama Policy on environment and ecology India and its neighbours - Latest terminology Appointments who is who? Latest court verdicts public opinion Political parties and political system in India - Public awareness & general administration - Role of voluntary organizations & govt. Welfare oriented govt. schemes, their utility - Flagship Programmes of Central Government Mass media & **communication**.

### **Unit 2 HISTORY AND CULTURE OF INDIA-**

Pre Historic India - Indus Valley - Vedic Culture - Sangam Age and Heritage of Tamils- Jainism - Buddhism -

Early Political History Mauryas and Guptas - Hindu Revivalism - Delhi Sultanate - Bhakti Movement - Mughal - Impact of British Administration Socio Religious Reform Movement Freedom Struggle - Dravidian Movement - Character of Indian Culture Unity of Diversity - Development of Science and Technology after Independence.

### **Unit 3 CONSTITUTION OF INDIA-**

Salient features of Indian constitution Union, State and territory Citizenship Fundamental rights

Fundamental duties Union Executive- Union legislature State executive and Legislature - Status of

Jammu & Kashmir Local government - Judiciary in India - Indian federalism - centre - state relations Law Making Procedure -Emergency provisions Civil services in India Administrative challenges in a welfare state Complexities of district administration Elections Amendments to constitution Anticorruption measures - Central and State Commission Empowerment of women Voluntary organizations and public grievances redressal Human rights -Consumer.

#### **Unit 4 INDIAN ECONOMY-**

Nature of Indian economy Five year plan models an assessment Land reforms & agriculture  
Application of science in agriculture Industrial growth Capital formation and investment Role of  
public sector & disinvestment Development of infrastructure Energy Different sources and  
development Finance Commission Nithi Ayog National Development Council - National income  
Public finance & fiscal policy

Price policy & public distribution Banking, money & monetary policy Role of Foreign Direct  
Investment (FDI) WTO globalization & privatization Rural welfare oriented programmes Social sector  
problems - population, education, health, employment, poverty HRD - sustainable economic growth-  
Economic trends in Tamilnadu.

#### **Unit 5 INDIA AND WORLD AFFAIRS-**

Indian foreign policy- Foreign Affairs with special emphasis on India's relations with neighbouring  
countries and in the region Defence, national security system and terrorism - World And Regional  
organizations and Pacts and Summits - Security and defence related matters Nuclear policy, issues  
and conflicts international law -The Indian Diaspora and its contribution to India and the World -  
India and super powers.

#### **Recommended Readings**

Chandra, Bibin. Modern India. 2017. Penqueen Publication, New Delhi. Dutt and Sundaram. 2016.  
Indian Economy. S.Chand and Company New Delhi.

Fadia B.L. 2017. Indian Government and Politics. Sahitya Bhawan, New Delhi.

Fadia B.L. 2017. International Relations, Sahitya Bhawan, New Delhi. India Year Book 2018,  
Publication Division, New Delhi.