

World- The scientific revolution and its cultural impact – the origins of the enlightenment – the radical enlightenment

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Benedict , Philip and Myron P. Gutmann (eds.): *Early Modern Europe: From Crisis to Stability*
2. Bloch , Marc: *Feudal Society* H. Butterfield: *The Origin of Modern Science*
3. Burke, Peter: *The Historical Anthropology of Early Modern Europe: Essays on Perception and Communication*
4. Cameron , E.: *Early Modern Europe*
5. Davis , Natalie Zemon: *Society and Culture in early Modern France*
6. Eisenstein , Elizabeth: *The Printing Revolution in Early Modern Europe*
7. Elton , G.R.: *Reformation Europe*
8. Findlen, Paula (ed.): *The Italian Renaissance: The Essential Readings*
9. Hilton , R.: *Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism*
10. Ozment , Steven E.: *The Reformation in the Cities: The Appeal of Protestantism to Sixteenth century Germany and Switzerland*
11. Parry , J.H.: *The Age of Reconnaissance: Discovery, Explorations and Settlement*
12. Phukan , Meenakshi: *Rise of The Modern West*

**SEMESTER- II**

**COURSE6: HIS 201**

**STATE, SOCIETY AND ECONOMY IN ANCIENT INDIA**

**Lectures: 50**

**Marks: 50**

**Unit-I:** Ancient Modes of Kingship - Origin and evolution- Proto-States and Early Chieftdoms - Emerging Ideas of State Polity - Rise of the Janapadas and Mahajanpadas – Process of empire building under the Mauryas and Guptas - Bureaucratic Apparatuses - Financial Structures - Judicial and Ethical Frameworks - Surveillance and Policing - Systematic collection of Revenue - Proliferation of the Taxation System – Nature of polities under the Kushanas and the Satavahanas – Post-Gupta polities – Nature of regional polities with special reference to the Pratiharas, Palas and Rashtrakutas.

**Unit-II:** Notions of economic activities in ancient India – Agricultural expansion – Inter-regional trade – Maritime trade – Business practices – Significance of the Silk Route - Merchant guilds in South India.

**Unit-III:** The Vedic roots of Sanskritization - Origin and development of Caste system – Rise of the protest movements – Social implications of challenging the Brahmanical order - right of property - Rural-urban relations - foreign elements in Indian society - Indo-Greeks, Sakas and Kushanas – changing status of women - Sudras in ancient India.

**Unit-IV:** State formation and imperial ideology in south India - State structure - Political organizations - Bureaucratic orientations - genesis of local- self-government – The Chola administration.

**Suggested Readings:**

- 1) Altekar , A.S.: *Position of Women in Hindu Civilization*  
-*Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*  
-*Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India*
- 2) Champakalakshmi , R.: *Trade, Ideology and Urbanisation*
- 3) Chattopadhyaya , B.D.: *The Making of Early Medieval India*
- 4) Drekeimer , Charles: *Kingship and Community in Early India*
- 5) Dutta , N.K.: *Origin and Growth of Caste in India*
- 6) Gurukkal , Ranjan: *Social Formations in Early South India*
- 7) Kosambi , D.D.: *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History*
- 8) Kulke , H.: *The State in India*
- 9) Majumdar, R.C.: *Corporate Life in Ancient India*
- 10) Mukherji , R.K.: *Ancient India*  
-*Origin of the State in India*
- 11) Roy , K.: *Emergence of Monarchy in North India*
- 12) Sharma , R.S.: *Sudras in Ancient India*  
-*Social Changes in Early Medieval India*
- 13) Thapar , Romila: *From Lineage to State*  
-*The Concept of Bharatvarsha and Other Essays*
- 14) Veluthat , Kesavan: *Political Structure in Early Medieval South India*

**SEMESTER- II**  
**COURSE 7: HIS 202**

**SELECT THEMES IN MODERN INDIAN POLITICAL HISTORY**  
**(1857-1947)**

**Lectures: 50**

**Marks: 50**

**Unit-I:** India in 1857: Causes of 1857, nature of 1857—interpretations of the events- Aftermath of Revolt - ideological foundations and changing strategic imperatives— Impact of the revolt of 1857: British policy towards princely states and landed aristocracy, British power and its frontiers

**Unit-II:** Emergence of Nationalism/Early Nationalism; formation of nationalist public opinion; Emergence of organized nationalism: Reform Movements and their contribution to nationalism- Economic Nationalism – Foundation of the Congress - The Moderates and the Extremists - The partition of Bengal and The Swadeshi Movement

**Unit-III:** Mainstream Nationalism – Gandhi’s rise to power 1915-1929—“Politics of

limitation”— Gandhi’s Hind Swaraj; intellectual and political context; its form and content; the idea of ‘self-rule’- Gandhi’s Religion and his idea of ‘Truth’-Khilafat & Non-Cooperation & the ways of mass nationalism- Civil Disobedience movement: Background, Character, regional variations, limitations; Gandhi – Irwin pact, Reforms of 1935 – Congress in power in provinces.

**Unit-IV:** Revolutionary nationalism the facts of left in Indian politics – forms of protest movements- Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and the INA, socialist, left- wing politics – Communists and Socialists- Communalism and the road to freedom—The Second World War and the Quit India Movement Popular movements in 1940s -- Tebhaga, Telangana- The Partition of India—the nature of the transfer of power— historiography of the partition.

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Bandopadhyay, Sekhar: *From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India*
2. Bayly, C.A.: *Indian Society and Making of the British Empire*
3. Bose, Sugata: *His Majesty’s Opponent: Subhas Chandra Bose and India’s Struggle against Empire*
4. Brown, Judith: *Gandhi and Civil Disobedience*
5. Brown, Judith: *Gandhi’s Rise to Power*
6. Chandra, Bipan et. al.: *India’s Struggle for Independence*
7. Chatterjee, Jaya: *Bengal Divided: Hindu Communalism and Partition 1932-1947*
8. Desai, A.R.: *Social Background to Indian Nationalism*
9. Hassan, Mushirul: *India’s Partition Thomas Metcalf: Ideologies of the Raj*
10. MacLane, J.R.: *Indian Nationalism and the Early Congress*
11. Parekh, Bhiku C.: *Colonialism, Tradition, and Reform: An Analysis of Gandhi’s Political Discourse*
12. Sarkar, Sumit: *Modern Times*
13. Sarkar, Sumit: *Swadeshi Movement in Bengal 1903-8*
14. Stokes, Eric: *Peasants and the Raj: Studies in Agrarian Society and Peasant Rebellion in Colonial India*
15. Tripathi, Amal: *The Extremist Challenge*

**SEMESTER- II**  
**COURSE8: HIS 203**

**FROM FRENCH REVOLUTION TO FIRST WORLD WAR - A BRIEF HISTORY**

**Lectures: 50**

**Marks: 50**

**Unit-I:** The eighteenth century background to the French Revolution – society, economy and polity - the philosophers and the ideological revolution - people in the French Revolution – aristocracy, bourgeois, peasants and workers – the Napoleonic Era - the unity and disunity in

**Unit-II:** Britain and Parliamentary system – Constitutional reforms and the suffrage question – Development of the party system –Rise of Labour Party and labour movements in Britain - Nationalism, imperialism, liberalism and consolidation of the British state – The economic revolutions – Nation Building in Germany and Italy – Imperial advances before and after Bismarck - World politics of Kaiser William II and his foreign policy.

**Unit-IV:** The Eastern question – Greek War of Independence - The problems of Turkey –The treaty of London and the treaty of San Stefano - the Crimean War - the treaty of Paris –Berlin Congress and the treaty of Berlin –the first and second Balkan War - the formation of Triple Entente- the age of armed peace (1904-1914).

1. Banning, T.C.W.: *Short Oxford History of Europe*
2. Briggs , Asa and Patricia Clavin: *Modern Europe, 1789 - Present*
3. Cobban , Alfred: *A History of Modern France*
4. Fisher , H.A.L.: *A History of Europe*
5. Hill, Christopher: *Lenin and the Russian Revolution*  
*-From Reformation to Industrial Revolution*
6. Hobsbawm , Eric: *The Age of Revolution (1789-1848)*  
*\_\_\_\_The Age of Capital (1848-1875)*  
*\_\_\_\_The Age of Empire (1875-1914)*
7. Joll, James: *Europe Since 1870*
8. Lefebvre , George: *The Coming of the French Revolution*
9. Lichtheim, George: *A Short History of Socialism*
10. Taylor , A.J.P.: *The Struggle for Mastery in Europe*
11. Thompson , E.P.: *The Making of the English Working Class*
12. Thomson , David: *Europe Since Napoleon*
13. Wood, Anthony: *History of Europe (1815-1960)*

## INDIA SINCE INDEPENDENCE: SELECT THEMES

**Unit- I:** Phases of the Political transition in India after Independence – The Congress System- the Kashmir Question-Refugee problems.

**Unit- II:** Framing of the new Constitution- integration of the princely states-the birth of republic Nehru and the formation of a planned economy-Agriculture and Land Reform-the Green Revolution- drive for industrialization- Linguistic reorganization of the provinces-Birth of Indian Electoral politics.

**Unit-III:** India from Lal Bahadur Shastri to Indira Gandhi- 1969-1973: The JP Movement and the Emergency-- Indian Democracy Tested: The Janata Interregnum—and Indira Gandhi's second Coming.

**Unit-IV:** India in world politics: Non-alignment-conflict with Pakistan and China-India and Soviet Union- the emergence of India and her neighbours: SAARC-Foreign policy in an age of globalization: the Look east policy.

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Brass , R.: *Language, Religion and Politics in North India*
2. Brass, P. R.: *The Politics of India Since Independence*
3. Chadra, Bipan; Mridula Mukherjee and Aditya Mukherjee: *India after Independence*
4. Chatterjee , Partha ed: *Wages of Freedom: Fifty Years of Indian Nation-State*
5. Chatterjee , Partha: *A Possible India: Essays in Political Criticism Paul*
6. Guha,Ramchandra: *India after Gandhi, The History Of World's Largest Democracy*
7. Huntington, Samuel P.: *The Third Wave: Democratization in the Late Twentieth Century*
8. Jalan, Bimal: *India's Economy in the New Millennium*
9. Jayapalan, N.: *Foreign policy of India*
10. Kaviraj, Sudipta: *Politics in India*
11. Kothari , Rajni: *Politics in India*
12. Morris,W. H. -Jones: *The Government and Politics in India*
13. Nanda, B. R. ed: *Indian Foreign Policy: The Nehru Years*
14. Pande, B. N., ed.: *A Centenary History of the Indian National Congress*
15. Stephen, P Cohen: *India: Emerging Power*

**SEMESTER- II**  
**COURSE10: HIS205**

**INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION AND INDUSTRIALIZATION IN THE**  
**MODERN WORLD**

**Lectures: 50**

**Marks: 50**

**Unit-I:** Definitions and concepts of Industrial Revolution - Proto-industrialization—meaning of Industrial Revolution— Technological Revolution: causal origins—inventions and innovations— science and technology in early and later Industrial Revolutions—social

structure and supply—supply of industrial enterprises, labour and capital—concept of growth—models of economic growth: Rostow and Gerschenkron.

**Unit-II:** The Industrial Revolution in England -Changing Agricultural Industrial Production in the 18th Century- Demographic Revolution: death and birth rate hypotheses—effects. Commercial Revolution: causes— domestic, foreign and re-export trade- Transport Revolution: roadways, waterways, and railways- standard of living debate among the working class in England.

**Unit-III:** French Industrialization- Feudalism and agriculture in pre-1789 France—impact of the French Revolution on industrialization, Napoleonic Wars and the Continental system— agriculture and industry after 1815—the railways—the Second Empire and the final phase of industrialization after 1871.

**Unit-IV:** German Industrialization- The 18th century political background—its impact on agriculture, industry and social relations- post 1815 changes: the Zollverein, joint stock banks—political unification and industrialization- Industrialization in Russia- the institution of serfdom and its impact on agriculture and industry—the Emancipation Edict: forces behind and consequences—a state sponsored industrialization.

### **Suggested Readings:**

1. Abel , W.: *Agricultural Fluctuations in Europe*
2. Allen , Robert C.: *Farm to Factory: A Reinterpretation of the Soviet Industrial Revolution*
3. Ashton, T. S.: *The Industrial Revolution*
4. Cipolla, Carlo M. (ed.): *The Fontana Economic History of Europe*
5. Clapham, J.H.: *The Economic Development of France and Germany, 1815-1914*
6. Deane, Phyllis: *The First Industrial Revolution*
7. Hartwell , R. M., (ed.): *The Causes of the Industrial Revolution*
8. Hill, Christopher: *From Reformation to Industrial Revolution*
9. Hobsbawm, E.J.: *Industry and Empire*
10. Kemp , Tom: *Industrialization in 19th Century Europe*
11. Landes , D.S.: *Unbound Prometheus*
12. Mantoux, Paul: *The Industrial Revolution in the 18th Century*
13. Rostow , W. W.: *The Stages of Economic Growth*
14. Thompson , E.P.: *The Making of the English Working-Class*

## **SEMESTER- III** **COURSE11: HIS 301**

### **ECONOMIC HISTORY OF MODERN INDIA**

**Lectures: 50**

**Marks: 50**

**Unit -I:** Economic History: Definition and Theories of Economic History – Historiography of Economic History of Modern India: The Imperialist Viewpoints, The Nationalist view,