

Extra Departmental Courses

Semester - I

Course 1.7 - Colonialism and Nationalism in India.

1. Genesis of Indian Nationalism.
2. The Indian National Congress: Moderate Era.
3. Paths of Vicissitude: Extremist Politics.
4. 'Gandhi's Rise to Power': From Satyagraha to Quit India Movement.
5. The Agenda of Indian Nationalism and Party Politics: Home Rule Movement, Swarajya Party, Subhas Bose and INA, Muslim League.
6. Politics of Communalism.
7. Women in Nationalist Movement.
8. The Critique of the nationalist politics and concepts in contemporary historiography.

Reading List:

1. Bipan Chandra, *Modern India*.
2. Sumit Sarkar, *Modern India*.
3. Judith Brown, *Modern India: Origins of an Asian Democracy*.
4. Judith Brown, *Gandhi's Rise to Power*.
5. Judith Brown, *Gandhi and Civil Disobedience Movement*.
6. Amal Tripathi, *The Extremist Challenge*.
7. Anil Seal, *Emergence of Indian Nationalism*.
8. A. R. Desai, *Social Background of Indian Nationalism*.
9. Sumit Sarkar, *The Swadeshi Movement in Bengal*.
10. Bipan Chandra, *Communalism in Modern India*.
11. Bipan Chandra and others, *Indian's Struggle for Independence*.

Course 1.8 - Modern Europe 1789 – 1871.

1. The French Revolution – origins and character
2. The French Revolution – politics and culture
3. Sans Culottes and Peasants
4. Women in the French Revolution
5. The Revolutionary and Imperial periods and the European wars
6. The Industrial Revolutions
7. Class, class consciousness, class struggle
8. The revolutions of 1848
9. Germany from Restoration to Unification
10. Conservatism and Liberalism
11. Socialism
12. Industrialism and Romanticism

Suggested Readings:

- G. Lefebvre**, *The Coming of the French Revolution*.
G. Rude, *The Crowd in the French Revolution*.
A. Cobban, *The Social Interpretation of the French Revolution*.
A. Soboul, *A Short History of the French Revolution, 1789-1799*.
A. Soboul, *The Sans Culottes*.

M. Vovelle, *The Fall of the French Monarchy, 1787-1792*.
 E.J. Hobsbawm, *The Age of Revolution*.
 E.J. Hobsbawm, *The Age of Capital*.
 E.J. Hobsbawm, *Industry and Empire*.
 E.P. Thompson, *The Making of the English Working Class*.
P.M. Jones, *The Peasantry in the French Revolution*.
O. Hufton, *Women and the Limits of Citizenship in the French Revolution*.
I. Deak, *The Lawful Revolution: Louis Kossuth and the Hungarians, 1848-1849*.
 K. Marx, *The 18th Brumaire of Louis Bonaparte*.
L. Hunt, *Politics, Culture and Class in the French Revolution*.
 P. Foot, *Red Shelley*.
 M. H. Markham, *Napoleon and the Awakening of Europe*.
 G. Rude, *Revolutionary Europe*.

Semester - II

Course 2.6 - An Environmental History of India.

1. Environment and Ecology in Indian ethos and philosophy - indigenous knowledge systems, nature and societies.
2. Colonial intervention and environment.
3. Discourses and policy: Situating forests and debating history.
4. Conservation, Common Property and Decentralisation: irrigation and land water use - common property resource management. River and flood control.
5. Interpreting trends and understanding transformations: Perspectives on the Environment - Regional Histories.
6. Agrarian History and the Environment.

Bibliography:

1. Ramchandra Guha, *The Unquiet Woods*.
2. Ramchandra Guha and Madhav Gandgil, *This Fissured Land*.
3. Mahesh Rangarajan, *Fencing the Forest*.
4. Richard Grove and Vinita Damodaran, eds., *Nature and the Orient*.
5. Richard Grove, *Green Imperialism*.
6. C. Palit and Amit Bhattacharyya, eds., *Science, Technology, Medicine and Environment in India*.

Semester - III

Course 3.4 - Modern Europe.

1. The condition of Europe in 1871 - the impact of the emergence of the new nation-states on the balance of power.
2. Politics in Western Europe - Germany under Bismarck and Kaiser William II.
3. European diplomacy, 1871-1919 - Bismarckian system - diplomatic alliances and the road to war.
4. Colonial rivalries, 1871-1914 - imperial expansion in Africa, the Pacific, and Asia and the Near East - colonial conflicts as a background to the outbreak of World War I.
5. The Eastern Question: Austria-Hungary, the Balkan states, and Turkey, 1871-1914 - nationalism in Eastern Europe.
6. Science and material progress, 1871-1914 - developments in philosophy and the social sciences.

7. World War I and its aftermath: war aims and the question of responsibility - the course of war - social effects of the war - the post-war peace treaties.
8. The Bolshevik Revolution in Russia.
9. Maintenance of peace and collective security in the aftermath of war - the French search for security - the problem of disarmament and the League of Nations.
10. Fascism and Nazism in Italy and Germany.
11. World War II: causes and consequences.

Preliminary Reading List:

- David Thomson, *Europe since Napoleon*.
 Gordon A. Craig, *Europe since 1815*.
 T.C.W. Blanning, ed., *A Short Oxford History of Europe: the Nineteenth Century*.
 James Joll, *Europe since 1870*.
 E.J. Hobsbawm, *The Age of Empire*.
 E.J. Hobsbawm, *The Age of Extremes*.
 A.J.P. Taylor, *The struggle for mastery in Europe*.
 A.J.P. Taylor, *The origins of the Second World War*.
 E.H. Carr, *Europe between the two wars*.
 Elizabeth Wiskemann, *Europe of the dictators*.

Semester – IV

Course 4.6 - Tribes in India.

1. The emergence of term 'tribe' - its historical, anthropological and sociological connotations - the theory of tribe-caste continuum.
2. Tribal situation in India - demography - Problems and Perspectives of regional tribal situation - Social movements among tribes - Tribal solidarity movements - Problems of Identity and Integration.

Selected readings:

1. Verrier Elwin, *The Tribal World of Verrier Elwin*.
2. K. S. Singh, ed., *Tribal Society in India*.
3. K. S. Singh, ed., *Ethnicity, Caste and People*.
4. Dipankar Gupta, *Social Stratification*.
5. Dev Nathan, *From Tribe to Caste*.

OR

Post-Colonial India: 1947 – 1971.

1. The Transfer of Power and the making of the Indian Constitution.
2. Left-wing and right-wing oppositions - the Communist Party of India's call for revolution, the RSS call for a Hindu India.
3. Evolution of a 'Congress system' of 'one party domination' and challenges to it till the Fourth General Election of 1967.
4. The integration of princely states - princes in Indian politics - the Swatantra Party - democratic struggles in former princely states (Kashmir, Manipur).
5. Language and political identity - linguistic reorganization of states - the question of National language.

6. Caste and other ethnic movements after 1947 - the political economy of reservations - regionalism and ethnicity.
7. Secularism and Communalism - the RSS, the Jan Sangh and majoritarian communalism.
8. Peasant movements in India, 1947 - 1971.
9. Naxalbari Movement (1967-1972).
10. Indian economic development and political change.
11. Indian foreign policy - Non-Alignment - India's relationship with Pakistan - India and China - India and USA - India and the USSR.

Bibliography:

1. B. Chandra, A. Mukherjee, M. Mukherjee and S. Mahajan, *India After Independence*.
2. P. Brass, *The Politics of India After Independence*.
3. Sugata Bose and Ayesha Jalal, *Modern South Asia: Economy, Social Structure, Politics*.
4. Rajni Kothari, *Politics in India*.
5. Achin Vanaik, *The Painful Transition*.
6. Francine Frankel, *India's Political Economy*.
7. Partha Chatterjee, ed., *Wages of Freedom*.
8. Sumanta Banerjee, *In the Wake of Naxalbari*.

Course 4.23 - An Environmental History of India II (History).

- i. Oriental Systems, Tribalization of communities and development alternative.
- ii. Wildlife and game - perspectives and policy.
- iii. Disease, Ecology and Sanitation.
- iv. The Forest as site of identity and resistance - Forest economics and Forest rights.
- v. Nature, Culture and Representations.
- vi. Impact of modern Industry on ecology.

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1. Ramchandra Guha, *The Unquiet Woods*.
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