

HISTORY (HONOURS)
Paper I

History of India from the Earliest Times to 1206 A.D.

Time - 3 hours

Full Marks -100

1. Sources of Ancient Indian History
2. Pre-History- The Methods & Significance
3. Indus Valley Civilization with special reference to town planning features of material culture, religion and script, social structure, decline and legacy.
4. Cultural patterns from 1500 B.C. to 600 B.C. economy, society, polity and ideological belief as reflected in early and later vedic literature.
5. New religious movement : material and ideological background; Mahavira-Jain religion and philosophy; Gautam Buddha. Buddhist religion and philosophy.
6. Monarchical and non-monarchical forms of Government in the 6th Century B.C. : Rise of the Magadh as an Empire; contact with the Persian and Greek World.
7. Age of the Mauryas-the establishment of the first Empire, administrative organization, society, economy, religion and art. Ashoka's concept of Dhamma, decline of the Maurya empire.
8. Development in the post-Mauryan period (C200 B.C. A.D. 300), Political development with Special reference to the Shungas, kushans and the Satvahanas; administrative institutions, trade, commerce and literature.

9. The age of the Guptas; beginning and expansion of the empire under Chandragupta I, Samudragupta and Chandragupta II; administrative system; cultural development-art, literature, religion, science and technology.
10. Harshavardhana-conquest and religious policy.
11. Origin and role of the Rajputs from 8th Century A.D. to 12th Century A.D.
12. South India - Pallavas, their cultural contributions; Cholas with special reference to their administrative system; the Chalukyas of Vatapi.
13. Advent of the Turks-the Ghaznavies and the Ghoris.
14. Advent of the Arabs- its political and cultural impact.

Suggested Readings

1. Pre-History of India. *by H.D.Sankaliya*
2. Pragaitihāsik Bharat (Hindi) *by R.K.Verma*
3. Political History of Ancient India. (also in Hindi) *by H.C.Roy Chaudhary*
4. An Advanced History of India Vol.-I (also in Hindi) *by Majumdar, Roy Chaudhary and Dutta*
5. History and Culture of the Indian People (relevant volumes) *by R.C.Majumdar*
6. A History of India *by Romila Thapar*
7. Asoka and Decline of the Mauryas (also in Hindi) *by Romila Thapar*
8. Gupta Samrajya aur Unka Kala (Hindi) *by U.N.Roy*
9. Gupta Samrajya ka Itihas (Hindi) *by P.L.Gupta*
10. Socio-Cultural and Economic History of India, Vol. I (Hindi) *by Chopra, Puri and Das*
11. Prachin Bharat ka Samajik Itihas (Hindi) *by Om Prakash*
12. An Introduction to the Study of History (Hindi) *by D.D. Kosambi*
13. An Introduction to the Study of History (Hindi) *by D.N.Jha & K.M.Shrimall*
14. Economic Life in Northern India in the Gupta Period. *by S.K.Malty*
15. Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India (also in Hindi) *by R.S.Sharma*
16. Shudras in Ancient India (also in Hindi) *by R.S.Sharma*

HISTORY (HONOURS)

Paper II

History of Great Britain from 1603 -1939

Time - 3 hours

Full Marks -100

1. Early Stuart Sovereigns - their constitutional conflict with parliament: foreign policy.
2. Civil war, Rise of Cromwell
3. Cromwell - Constitutional experiments; foreign policy.
4. Restoration of 1660 - nature and significance; foreign policy of Charles II.
5. James II- Causes of the Glorious Revolution of 1688; its nature and significance.
6. Constitutional significance of the reigns of George I and George II; domestic and foreign policy of Walpole.
7. The Agricultural Revolution in the 18th Century -its chief features.
8. The Industrial Revolution- factors, features and impact.
9. George III's attempt at the revival of royal power and its failure; achievements of Pitt the younger in domestic and foreign affairs.
10. Extension of franchise-the first Reform Act (1832), the Second Reform Act (1867), the third Reform Act (1884),
11. Achievements of Peel.
12. Gladstone, Disraeli-Social Reform and Imperialism.
13. Factors leading to England's participation in the First World War.
14. The Rise and progress of Labour Party.
15. The Cabinet Crisis of 1931.
16. Policy of appeasement and drift towards the Second World War.

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1. A New Groundwork of British History *by* Warner, Martin and Muir
2. History of England *by* G.M.Trevelyan
3. England ka Itihas (Hindi) Vols I & II. *by* R.K.Sharma
4. Constitutional Conflicts in the 17th Century. *by* Tanner
5. England in the Nineteenth Century. *by* David Thomson
6. England in the Twentieth Century. *by* David Thomson
7. History of Britain. . *by* Ramsay Muir
8. England, 1870-1975. *by* R.C.K.Ensor
9. Disraeli, Gladstone and Revolution. *by* Maurice Cowling