

PROGRAMME:

MA History

ANCIENT WORLD**COURSE ID:**

MHS-101

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UNIT-I**TRANSITION FROM FORAGING TO FOOD PRODUCTION**

1. The Origins of Homo Sapiens Sapiens and Colonization of the World: Models and Evidence
2. Strategies of Survival: Locating Scavengers, Foragers and Farmers through Anthropology
3. The Cultural Evolution: Early Forms of Social Organization, Technology and Exchange
4. Beginning of the Domestication, Agriculture and Proliferation of Sedentary Communities in Old and New World

UNIT-II**THE DEVELOPMENT OF EARLY CIVILIZATIONS**

5. Understanding Complex Societies: Urbanization, Civilization and State
6. Classical and Contemporary Theories of the Emergence of Cultural Complexity
7. Archaeology of the Complex Societies: Emergence of Wealth and Status Differentials
8. Emergence of Civilization in South West Asia: A Case Study

UNIT-III**EMERGENCE OF EMPIRES**

9. Elements of Imperial State Formation: Expansion, Integration and Exploitation in Early Empires
10. Emergence of Early Empires in South West Asia
11. Delian League and the Making of Athenian Empire
12. Rome: Making and Unmaking of an Empire

READING LIST**Essential Readings:**

1. Barbara Bender, *Farming in Prehistory: From Hunter-Gather to Food-Producer*, John Bake, London, 1975.
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3. Bruce Trigger, et al, *Ancient Egypt: A Social History*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1983.
4. D.T. Potts, *Mesopotamian Civilization: The Material Foundation*, The Athlone Press, London, 1997.
5. David Rindos, *The Origins of Agriculture: An Evolutionary Perspective*, Academic Press, New York, 1984.
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9. Ian Morris and Walter Scheidel (eds), *The Dynamics of Ancient Empires: State Power from Assyria to Byzantium*, OUP, 2009.
10. J. P. V. D. Balsdon, *Rome: The Story of an Empire*, Weidenfeld and Nicholson, London, 1970.
11. J.N. Postgate, *Early Mesopotamia: Society and Economy at the Dawn of History*, Routledge, London, 1992
12. L. de Blois and R.J. van der Spek, *An Introduction to the Ancient World*, Routledge, Second Edition, 2008 (Text Book)
13. M.D. Sahlins, *Tribesmen*, Prentice-Hall Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, 1968.
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15. Robert F. Wenke and Deborah J. Olszewski, *Patterns in Prehistory: Humankind's First Three Million Years*, fifth edition, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2007. (Text Book)
16. S. N. Eisenstadt, *The Decline of Empires*, Prentice-Hall, New Jersey, 1967.

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3. A.H. M. Jones, *The Decline of the Ancient World*, Longman, New York, 1966.

4. A.H. M. Jones, *The Roman Economy: Studies in Ancient Economic and Administrative History*, ed. P. A. Brunt, Blackwell, Oxford, 1974.
5. Antony Andrews, *Greek Society*, Pelican, Harmondsworth, 1991.
6. Antony Andrews, *The Greeks*, Hutchinson, London, 1968.
7. Archer, S. Fischler and M. Wyke (eds.) *Women in Ancient Societies, An Illusion of the Night*, Palgrave Macmillan, Basingstoke, 1994.
8. Brendan O'Leary, *The Asiatic Mode of Production: Oriental Despotism, Historical Materialism and Indian History*, Blackwell, Oxford, 1989.
9. C.A. Gregory, *Gifts and Commodities*, Academic Press, London, 1982.
10. C.G. Starr, *The Economic and Social Growth of Early Greece, 800-500 B.C.*, Oxford University Press, New York, 1977.
11. C. W. Gailey, *Kinship to Kingship*, University of Texas Press, Austin, 1987.
12. Charles A. Reed, ed., *The Origins of Agriculture*, Mouton, The Hague, 1977.
13. D. R. Harris (ed.), *The Origin and spread of agriculture and pastoralism in Eurasia*, University College London Press, London, 1966.
14. D. R. Harris and G. Hillman (eds.), *Foraging and Farming: The Evolution of Plant Exploitation*, Unwin Hyman, London, 1989.
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16. Daryll Forde, *Habitat, Economy and Society: A Geographical Introduction to Ethnology*, Methuen, London, 1962.
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19. G. Dalton (ed), *Tribal and Peasant Economies: Readings in Economic Anthropology*, The Natural History Press, New York, 1967.
20. G. E. M. de Ste Croix, *The Class Struggle in the Ancient Greek World*, Cornell University Press, Ithaca, 1987.
21. Gerda Learner, *The Creation of Patriarchy*, Oxford University Press, New York, 1986.
22. Gero and M. Conkey (eds) *Engendering Archaeology: Women and Prehistory*, Blackwell, Oxford, 1990.
23. Geza Alföldy, *The Social History of Rome*, Groom Helm, London, 1985.
24. Gledhill, B. Bender, and M. T. Larsen (eds.), *State and Society: The Emergence and Development of Social Hierarchy and Political Centralization*, Unwin Hyman, London, 1988.
25. J. Mellart, *Neolithic of the Near East*, Thames and Hudson, London, 1977.
26. J. Middleton and D. Tait (eds.), *Tribes without Rulers*, Routledge, London, 1958.
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28. J.S. Kahn and C. Llobera (eds.), *The Anthropology of pre-capitalist Societies*, Macmillan, London, 1981.
29. Karl A. Wittfogel, *Oriental Despotism: A Comparative Study of Total Power*, Yale University Press, Harvard, 1970.
30. Lawrence Krader, *The Asiatic Mode of Production: Sources, Development in the Writings of Karl Marx*, Basil Blackwell, Oxford, 1989.
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34. McGuire Gibson, Robert D. Biggs (eds.), *The Organization of Power, Aspects of Bureaucracy in Ancient Near East*, Oriental Institute of Chicago, Chicago, 1991.
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HISTORY OF EIGHTEENTH CENTURY INDIA**COURSE ID:**

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UNIT-I**HISTORIOGRAPHY**

1. The 'Dark Age' and 'Twilight' perspectives- contemporary perceptions, colonial and nationalist interpretations.
2. Marxist perspective- Eighteenth century as a period of crisis and decline, the Jagirdari and agrarian crises, colonial transformation, colonization of Indian economy.
3. The 'Revisionist' challenge- Interrogating the centralized nature of Mughal state, Mughal decline as a factor in economic and societal progress, continuity and property thesis, emergence of new social groups and 'portfolio capitalists', the thesis of indigenous origins of early colonial state and 'transition' to colonialism.

UNIT-II**DISINTEGRATION OF THE MUGHAL EMPIRE 'SUCCESSOR' STATES, AND WARFARE**

4. Mughal Empire in the post- Aurangzeb period, parties and politics at the Mughal court, 1707- 1761- the struggle for Wizaarat, the role of Saiyyid Brothers, Nizam- ul Mulk, Najibuddaulah and Safdarjung.
5. 'Successors' states and other categories; Maratha state in the eighteenth century, Warfare and society.
6. Foreign invasions and their impact

UNIT-III**BRITISH CONQUEST AND BEGINNING OF COLONIZATION**

7. Rise and growth of British power in India during the eighteenth century – colonial conquest of Bengal and South India.
8. Economic impact of colonial conquest and colonization, origins of the Permanent Settlement. 3. Ideology of the early colonial state in India.

READING LIST

1. Andre Wink, *Land and Sovereignty in India: Agrarian Society and Politics under the Eighteenth Century Maratha Swarajya*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1986.
2. Bernard Cohn, 'Political system in Eighteenth Century India: The Banaras Region', in *An Anthropologist among Historians and other Extracts*, ed. Bernard Cohn, Oxford University Press, Delhi, 1988, pp. 483- 99.
3. C. A. Bayly, *Indian Society and the Making of British Empire*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1988.
4. C. A. Bayly, *Rulers, Townsmen and Bazaars: North Indian Society in the Age of British Expansion, 1770- 1870*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1983.
5. Irfan Habib, 'Colonization of Indian Economy', *Social Scientist*, Vol. 3, No.8, March 1975, pp. 23-53.
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12. P. J. Marshall (ed.), *The Eighteenth Century in Indian History: Evolution or Revolution?*, Oxford University Press, Delhi, 2003.
13. Percival Spear, *Twilight of the Mughals*, Oxford University Press, Delhi, 2002.
14. Richard Barnett (ed.), *Rethinking Early Modern India*, Manohar, Delhi, 2002.
15. Richard Barnett, *North Indian Society between Empires: Awadh, the Mughal and the British, 1720-1801*, University of California Press, Los Angeles, 1980.
16. Satish Chandra, *The Eighteenth Century in India: It's Economy and the Role of Marathas, the Jats, the Sikhs and the Afghans*, K. P. Bagchi & Co., Calcutta, 1986.
17. Satish Chandra, *Parties and Politics at the Mughal Court, 1707 – 1740*, People's Publishing House, Delhi, 1972.

18. Seema Alavi (ed.), *The Eighteenth Century in India*, Oxford University Press, Delhi, 2002.
19. Stewart Gordon, *Marathas, Maraudes and State Formation in 18th century India*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1994.
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POLITICAL HISTORY OF DELHI SULTANATE (1200-1526)**COURSE ID:**

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UNIT-I**1. SOURCES**

- The narratives of Indo-Persian chroniclers; Ziauddin Barani's theory of history in *Tarikh-i Firozshahi* and political philosophy in *Fatawa-i Jahandari*
- Sufi Texts- *malfūzāt*
- Travelogues-Ibn Battuta
- Inscriptions

2. HISTORIGRAPHICAL DEBATES

- Representation of Turkish conquests in the Indo-Persian Sources—Mahmud of Ghazni as a *ghazi* Sultan at the frontiers of Islam
- The problems of Colonial and Nationalist historiography of the Delhi Sultanate
- Continuity and change from pre-Sultanate to the Sultanate period, impact of the establishment of Sultanate of Delhi

UNIT-II

3. PROCESS OF CONQUEST AND EXPANSION: Ghorid conquests and the role of Turkish bureaucracy; consolidation of the Sultanate under Aibak, Iltutmish and Balban.

4. KHALJIS AND TUGHLAQ: Consolidation and the expansion of the Sultanate; conquests of the Deccan states; disintegration of the Sultanate and rise of the regional kingdoms; Syeds and Lodis- north India in the 15th and early 16th century.

UNIT-II

5. KINGSHIP, GOVERNANCE AND POLITICAL CULTURE: Perso-Islamic traditions of kingship; sovereignty and nature of polity in the Delhi Sultanate- Khaljis, Tughlaqs and the Afghans; court culture and etiquettes; transitions in political culture and service from 13th to early 16th centuries.

6. POLITICAL STRUCTURE, NOBILITY AND RELATIONS WITH NON-MUSLIM ELITES: central and provincial administrative structures; composition and organization of ruling elites; *iqta* and revenue *grants*, *ulema* and *sufis*; relations between the non-Muslim elites and the Sultanate.

Reading List

- A. B. M. Habibullah, *The Foundation of Muslim Rule in India*, The Central Book Depot, Allahabad, 1961.
- Abdul Halim, *Lodi Sultans of Delhi and Agra*, Idara-I Adabiyat-I Delli, Delhi, 2009.
- Agha Mahdi Husain, *Rise and Fall of Mohammad bin Tughlaq*, Luzac & Co., London, 1938.
- Agha Mahdi Husain, *The Tughlaq Dynasty*, Thacker Spink, Calcutta, 1963.
- Ali Anooshahr, *The Ghazi Sultans and the Frontiers of Islam*, Routledge, London, 2009.
- B. D. Chattopadhyaya, *Representing the other? Sanskrit Sources and Muslims*, Manohar Publishers, Delhi, 1998.
- D. H. A. Kolff, *Naukar, Rajput and Sepoy*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1990.
- David Gilmartin and Bruce B. Lawrence, *Beyond Turk and Hindu: Rethinking Religious Identities in Islamicate South Asia*, University Press of Florida, Florida, 2009.
- Francesca Orsini and Samira Sheikh, (eds.), *After Timur Left: Culture and Circulation in Fifteenth Century North India*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2014.
- H. K. Sherwani, *Studies in Early Muslim Thought and Administration*, Idara-i Adabiyat-i Delhi, Delhi, 1981.
- H. K. Sherwani, *The Bahmanis of the Deccan: An Objective Study*, Krishnavas International Printers, Hyderabad, 1981.
- H. M. Elliot and John Dowson, *History of India as Told by its Historians*, vols. I, II, III & IV, Calcutta, 1950.
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- I. H. Siddiqui, *Composite Culture in the Sultanate of Delhi*, Primus Book, Delhi, 2012.
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19. Irfan Habib, *The Economic History of Medieval India – A Survey*, Tulika Books, Delhi, 2004.
20. Jamini Mohan Banerjee, *History of Firoz Shah*, Progressive Books, Lahore, 1967.
21. K. A. Nilkantha Shastri, *History of South India: From Prehistoric Times to the Fall of Vijayanagar*, Introduction by R. Champakalakshmi, Oxford University Press, Delhi, 2007.
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23. K.A. Nizami, *Some Aspects of Religion and Politics in India During the Thirteenth Century*, Department of History, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, 1974.
24. Mohammad Habib and K. A. Nizami (eds.), *A Comprehensive History of India: The Delhi Sultanate (A.D. 1206-1526)*, Vol. 5, People Publishing House, Delhi, 1940.
25. Mohibbul Hasan (ed.), *Historians of Medieval India*, Meenakshi Prakashan, Meerut, 1968.
26. Peter Hardy, *Historians of Medieval India*, Greenwood Press, Westport, 1982.
27. Peter Jackson, *The Delhi Sultanate: A Political and Military History*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1999.
28. R. P. Tripathi, *Some Aspects of Muslim Administration*, The Indian Press, Allahabad, 1936.
29. Richard M. Eaton (ed.), *India's Islamic Traditions, 711-1750*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2003.
30. Richard M. Eaton, Munis D. Faruqi, David Gilmartin and Sunil Kumar, eds., *Expanding Frontiers in South Asian and World History; Essays in Honours of John F. Richards*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2013.
31. Richard M. Eaton, *The Rise of Islam and Bengal Frontier 1204-1760*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1997.
32. Romila Thapar, *Somnath: The Many Voices of a History*, Penguin, London, 2004.
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36. Samira Sheikh, *Forging a Region: Sultans, Traders and Pilgrims in Gujarat, 1200-1500*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2010.
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2. Devraj Chanana, 'The Image of the Hero in 14th Century India', *Proceedings of the Indian History Congress*, 1967.
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INDIAN ARCHITECTURE IN MEDIEVAL TIMES (1200-1753)

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UNIT-I

1. Precedents: Architecture in the Islamic world; Questioning “Islamic” and “Hindu” Architecture
2. Advent of the Turks: Introduction of new techniques, forms and decorative motifs
3. The Qutub Complex: Its interpretation and the rhetoric of a „Hegemonic Islam“
4. Forts and Fortified Towns
5. Tombs and Shrines: Dargahs and their socio-political role; rituals and practices at the Dargahs; Sultanate tombs

UNIT-II

6. The Mughals: Planning, Aesthetics and Techniques; Calligraphy and decorative motifs
7. Monumentality and Ideology
8. Akbar and Jahangir: Forts, Riverfront palaces, Cities, Tombs and Gardens
9. Shah Jahan’s Quest for perfection: Cities, Mosques and Mausoleums; the interplay of sacred and temporal power
10. Gendering Space: Female patrons of Architecture; Nur Jahan and Jahan Ara’s contestation of the masculine realm; Roshan Ara and Qudsia Begum

UNIT-III

11. Temple Architecture: Govind Deva temple; Vijayanagara Temples and their political and economic role
12. Regional Styles: Jaunpur, Gujarat, Malwa and the Deccan
13. Other Arts: Paintings: Rajput and Mughal Paintings; techniques and ideological underpinnings; Mughal allegorical paintings and the ideas of a sacred kingship

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2. Ebba Koch, „The Wooden Audience Halls of Shahjahan“ in *Muqarnas*, 2013.
3. Ebba Koch, *Mughal Art and Imperial Ideology*, Oxford, New Delhi, 2001.
4. Ellison B Findly, *Nur Jahan: Empress of India*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1993.
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10. Percy Brown, *Indian Architecture (The Islamic Period)*, Read Books, Reprint, London, 2010.
11. Richard M. Eaton and Philip B Wagoner, *Power, Memory and Architecture: Contested Sites on India’s Deccan Plateau, 1300-1600*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2017.
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**POLITICAL STRUCTURES AND REGIONAL POLITIES IN EARLY
MEDIEVAL INDIA, FROM SIXTH TO THE THIRTEENTH CENTURY**

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UNIT-I

UNDERSTANDING EARLY MEDIEVAL INDIA

1. Transition from early historical to early medieval: historiography with reference to the perceptions of continuity and change, problems of periodisation into 'ancient', 'medieval' and 'modern', the position of early medieval India in history and fixing of the chronology.
2. Historiographical Approaches to early medieval India: theories and perspectives, early medieval India in the pre1940s works, Marx and Oriental Despotism, Nationalist view of a centralised state, segmentary state concept, integrative and lineage polities, patrimonial bureaucracy, new frame works for the study on the nature of state

UNIT-II

STRUCTURE OF REGIONAL POLITIES, EVOLUTION AND CHANGING POWER CONFIGURATIONS

3. Formation of regional polities, with special reference to the Rajputs, Pallava-Cholas, Orissa, new royalty, landholding and clan structures and relationships, landed bureaucracy and power hierarchy, shifting centres of power, emergence of lineage polities and inter-lineage networks, consolidation of lineage families as ruling elites, landholding rights and integration through hierarchy.
4. Islam and Early Medieval India: conquest of Sindh, aspects of interaction with West Asia and the regional states, coming of the Turks and establishment of the Delhi Sultanate, issues of representations, ideas of 'invasions', 'iconoclasm', 'Hindu-Muslim interface'.

UNIT-III

FORMS OF ROYAL LEGITIMATION AND CONTROL:

5. Brhamana-kshatriya network, acculturation of local population, caste and varna hierarchies, brhamanical ideologies, origin myths and legends, genealogies and rituals of kingship, forms of local and supra local control.
6. Networks of royal control through religious, agrarian and other types of institutions like the temples, brahmadeyas, land grants.
7. Symbols and modes of royal legitimation, development of cult centres, temple complexes and consolidation of pilgrimage network as institutions of power and control, wars and conquests and development of political iconography with special reference to some case studies of temples and early mosques.

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2. A. W. Van Den Hoek, D.H.A. Kolff and M.S. Oort (eds.), *Ritual, State and History in South Asia. Essays in Honour of J.C.Heesterman*, E. J. Brill, Leiden, 1992.
3. Abraham Meera, *Two Medieval Merchant Guilds*, Manohar Publishers, New Delhi, 1988.
4. Alberuni, *Kitabul Hind (Alberuni's India)*, tr. Edward C. Sachau, Kegan Paul, London, 1910.
5. Andre Wink, *Al-Hind: The Making of the Indo-Islamic World*, Vol I and II, Brill, Leiden, 1999.
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POLITICAL HISTORY OF INDIA (1757-1857)**COURSE ID:**

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UNIT-I**SUCCESSOR STATES AND THEIR POLITY**

1. Debate on the 18th Century
2. Emerging political rivalry between states
3. Political patronage and European trade
4. European rivalry and the bid for political power

UNIT-II**POLITICS OF TERRITORIAL AGGRANDIZEMENT**

5. Foundation of East India Company's rule
6. British relations with Mysore
7. Anglo-Maratha rivalry
8. Anglo-Sikh relations

UNIT-III**COLONIAL RULE AND EARLY POLICIES**

9. Institutional changes (Revenue, Law, Administration, Education and Social legislation)
10. Impact of colonial rule in India
11. Anti-colonial protests before 1857
12. Making of the Revolt
13. Revolt and its regional dimensions

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3. Bernard S. Cohn, *Colonialism and its Forms of Knowledge: The British in India*, Princeton University Press, Princeton, 1996.
4. C.A. Bayly, *Empire & Information: Intelligence gathering and social communication in India, 1780-1870*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2000.
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AGRARIAN PROTEST AND MOVEMENTS (1830-1951)**COURSE ID:**

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UNIT-I

1. 19th Century Uprisings (Wahhabi and Faraizi, Santhal, Indigo, Pabna and Deccan uprisings) Land revenue administration and the agrarian structure
2. Tenancy issues
3. Commercialization and its concomitants
4. Local consciousness and political mobilization

UNIT-II

5. Peasant Ideologies (Champaran, Kheda, Bardoli, Moplah, and Kisan Sabha) Politics of mass mobilization and the peasants
6. Gandhi and peasant nationalism Left and the new political agenda
7. Interplay of caste, class, community and nation

UNIT-III

8. Search for New Political Base (Tebhaga, Telangana, Wodi and Punnapevayalar) Consolidation of non-secular identities
9. Challenges before the Left
10. Search for stable agrarian base
11. Land reforms and emerging trends in peasant politics

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3. B. B. Choudhuri, 'Trends in the Recent Studies in the Agrarian History of Colonial India, in T. Baneljee (ed.), *Historical Research since Independence*, Calcutta, 1986.
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INTELLECTUAL & CULTURAL HISTORY OF EARLY COLONIAL INDIA**Description:**

Indian intellectuals, thinkers and reformers in the process of encountering colonialism and the supremacy of Western thoughts and culture produced a rich discourse. They debated on modernity and tradition. They established associations to reform and revive their society. Through their engagement with modernity and nationalism, religion and tradition, Indian intellectuals produced new cultural identities such as neo-Hinduism, 'Islamic', and many others. Their ideas influenced a lot of Indians in colonial and independent India. This course is designed to explore some of these ideas, ideologies and intellectual movements in India during colonial rule.

Objectives of Course:

The objectives of the course are as follows:

- The course is intended to elucidate some rich debates on the methods of intellectual history
- The course will initiate an elaborate discussion on various forms of intellectual ideas and their influences on modern India
- The course is designed to make aware the students with the complexities of Indian intellectual tradition in colonial India

Learning Outcomes:

- The students will develop a critical insight to understand the role of early intellectual ideas in the evolution of various forms of modernity and nationalism in modern India.
- The students will go deep into the historical evolution of ideas and their social, political and cultural ramifications in India.
- The students will be able to understand the complexity, diversity and historicity of intellectual ideas and their larger impacts.

UNIT-I

1. Introduction to intellectual history
2. Intellectual history vs. the history of ideas
3. Challenges to intellectual history

UNIT-II

4. The making of early Bengali Bhadrak: influences, intellectuals, and ideas
5. Bengali intellectuals and ideas in the late nineteenth century: revivalism, proto-nationalism, and cultural nationalism
6. Development of modern intellectual culture in western and southern India

UNIT-III

7. Intellectual thoughts in northern India: Delhi College, Aligarh school, Deoband school
8. Formation of early Dalit intellectual ideas: Jyotiba Phule and his ideas
9. Early ideas on economic nationalism

Essential Readings:

1. Amiya P. Sen, ed., *Social and Religious Reforms: The Hindus of British India* (OUP, 2003)
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Readings (Unit-I)

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Readings (Unit-II)

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Readings (Unit-III)

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Note: Further readings may be suggested in the classroom.