

ANDHRA KESARI UNIVERSITY



(w.e.f. Academic Year 2023-24)

Programme: B.A. Honours in History

Semester	Paper	Hours	Credits
I	1 Fundamentals of Social Sciences	4	4
	2 Perspectives on Indian Society	4	4
II	3. Science and Human Past	4	4
	4. Age of Enlightenment and State Formation	4	4
	Community Service Project (180 Hours with 4 Credits)		

Paper – 1

Fundamentals of Social Sciences

Learning objectives: The student will be able to understand the nature, various approaches, organs of the state, social perspectives and application of ICT.

Learning Outcomes: On successful completion of the course the student will be able to :

1. Learn about the nature and importance of social science.
2. Understand the Emergence of Culture and History
3. Know the psychological aspects of social behaviour
4. Comprehend the nature of Polity and Economy
5. Knowledge on application of computer technology

Unit – I – What is Social Science?

1. Definition and Scope of Social Science – Different Social Sciences
2. Distinction between Natural Science and Social Sciences
3. Interdisciplinary Nature of Social Sciences
4. Methods and Approaches of Social Sciences

Unit -II: Understanding History and Society

1. Defining History, Its Nature and Scope
2. History- A Science or an Art
3. Importance of History in the Present Society
4. Types of History and Chronology of Indian History

Unit – III – Society and Social Behaviour

1. Definition , Nature and Scope of Psychology
2. Importance of Social Interaction
3. Need of Psychology for present Society
4. Thought process and Social Behavior

Unit – IV – Political Economy

1. Understanding Political Systems
2. Political Systems – Organs of State
3. Understanding over Economics - Micro and Macro concepts
4. Economic Growth and Development - Various aspects of development

Unit - V – Essentials of Computer

1. Milestones of Computer Evolution - Computer – Block Diagram, Generations of Computers
2. Internet Basics – Internet History, Internet Service Providers – Types of Networks – IP – Domain Name Services – Applications
3. Ethical and Social Implications – Network and Security concepts – Information assurance fundamentals
4. Cryptography – Symmetric and Asymmetric –malware – Fire walls – Fraud Techniques – Privacy and Data Protection

Reference Books

1. The social sciences: An Integrated Approach by James M. Henslin and Danniell F. Chambliss
2. The Wonder that was India – A.L.Bhasham
3. Introduction to Psychology – Morgan and King
4. Principles of Political Science – A.C. Kapoor
5. Contemporary Political Theory – J.C.Johari
6. M.L.Jhingan – Economic Development – Vikas, 2012
7. ML Seth – Macro Economics - Lakshminarayana Agarawal, 2015
8. Fundamentals of Computers by V. Raja Raman
9. Cyber Security Essentials by James Graham, Richard Howard, Ryan Olson

Activities:

1. Group Project Work
2. PPT Presentation, Participation in Webinars
3. Field visits
4. Group Discussion
5. Survey and Analysis
6. Charts and Poster presentation
7. Identifying the attributes of network (Topology, service provider, IP address and bandwidth of your college network) and prepare a report covering network architecture.
8. Identify the types of malwares and required firewalls to provide security.
9. Latest Fraud techniques used by hackers.

Paper – II

Perspectives on Indian Society

Learning objectives: The student is expected to demonstrate the significance of social sciences through better understanding of various fields of social experience and would be able to apply methods and approaches to social phenomena.

Learning Outcomes: On successful completion of the course the student will be able to :

1. Learn about the significance of human behavior and social dynamics.
2. Remembers the Indian Heritage and freedom struggle
3. Comprehend the philosophical foundations of Indian Constitution
4. Knowledge on Indian Economy

Unit – 1 – Man in Society

1. Human Nature and Real-Life Engagement
2. Social Groups and Social Dynamics
3. Individualism and Collectivism – Ethical Concerns
4. Human Life – Social Influence and Social Impact

Unit-II: Indian Heritage and Freedom Struggle in India

1. Cultural & Heritage sites of Tourism in India
2. Indian Dance, Music and Yoga
3. Rise of Nationalism Under British Rule in brief (1857-1947)
4. Contemporary history of India-integration of Princely States, abolition of Zamindari, formation of linguistic states

Unit – 3 – Indian Constitution

1. Philosophical Foundations of Indian Constitution
2. Elements of Indian Constitution
3. Study of Rights in Indian Constitution
4. Directive principles to State

Unit – 4. Indian Economy

1. Indian Economy - Features – Sectoral contribution in income
2. Role of Financial Institutions - RBI - Commercial Banks
3. Monetary and Fiscal Policies for Economic Development
4. Economic Reforms - Liberalization - Privatization- Globalization

Unit – 5 - Impact on Society & Analytics

1. Role of Computer, impact of Computers on human behavior, e-mail,
2. Social Networking- WhatsApp, Twitter, facebook, impact of Social Networks on human behavior.
3. Simulating, Modeling, and Planning, Managing Data, Graphing, Analyzing Quantitative Data,
4. Expert Systems and Artificial Intelligence Applications in the Social Sciences

References

1. Introduction to Psychology – Atkinson RC
2. History of the freedom movement in India – Tarachand
3. India since Independence – Bipinchandra
4. Introduction to the Constitution of India D.D.Basu
5. S.K Misra & V.K Puri – Indian Economy, Himalaya Publishing House , 2015
6. Government of India, Economic Survey (Annual), New Delhi
7. Information and Communication Technology by APCCE
8. Computer Applications in the Social Sciences by Edward E. Brent, Jr. and Ronald E. Anderson

Activities:

1. Assignment
2. PPT Presentation, Participation in Webinars
3. Field visits
4. Group Discussion
5. Survey and Analysis
6. Charts and Poster presentation
7. Identify the peripherals connected to a system and label them as either Input or Output or both.
8. Identify the Operating System loaded in your system and compare the features with other existing Operating System.
9. Collect latest census data and draw a graph indicating the growth rate.
10. Predicting the risk of depression, substance dependency, drinking, obsessive compulsive disorders, and suicide using AI.

B.A (Honours) in History
Semester-II
3. Science and Human Fast

Learning Outcomes:

After successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Students will understand the meaning of history and its relation to other social sciences and historical writing.
- Learn about the origin and evolution of human culture.
- Know how humans transformed from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.
- Understand the greatness of the first Indian civilization in the Indus Valley.
- Learn about the richness of Vedic culture.

Syllabus:

Unit-I

What is History-Is History a science?-Facts, Interpretations-Relation with other Social Sciences-Sources of Indian History: Archaeological and Literary Sources.

Unit-II

Hunting Gathering to the Food Production Society: Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic and Chalcolithic Phases in India- Evolution of tools, belief systems and art forms.

Unit-III

First Urbanization in India: The Indus Valley Civilization-Definition of Civilization and Urbanization-Origin, Extent-Sites-Features of IVC-Trade and Commerce-Social and Cultural Life-Decline of the Civilization.

Unit-IV

The Vedic Corpus: Vedic Literature-Indo-Aryans Theories-Society, Economy, Culture, religion and Polity during the Early Vedic Period-Society, Economy, Culture, religion and Polity during the Later Vedic Period-Origin of Varna System.

Unit-V

Second Urbanization in India: Iron Age Cultures in the subcontinent-Impact of Iron technology-The emergence of City life- Urban Occupations, Crafts, Guilds-Trade and Commerce.

Curricular Activities:

- A student seminar can be conducted on history and its relationship to other social sciences.

- Map-pointing should be a compulsory activity as it helps students understand the text more vividly and clearly and should be made part of the internal examination by allotting 5 marks out of 25 for this skill-based activity.
- Collection of news reports and maintaining a record of paper cuttings relating to topics covered in the syllabus
- Pictures are drawings of Stone Age cultures. Students can be asked to create a calendar charting the dates of key events.
- Students should be asked to prepare an inventory of items preserved in the museum and their usage
- An assignment can be given on metal-age cultures with student justification.
- A test can be conducted on Indus valley civilization.
- A comparative table of Indus and Vedic culture can be prepared.
- Book Reviews on latest Developments in History
- Seminars/Group Discussions/Quiz/Unit Tests
- Collection of Articles and Books
- Preparation of Videos/Charts
- Identify the important places in the Map
- Project Works
- Prepare the synapses
- Write articles to the reputed journals and Magazines
- Photos Exhibitions on Temple Architecture
- Visit to the Museums
- Membership from AP History Congress

References:

1. E.H. Carr., What is History, Penguin, 1961
2. H.D.Sanakalia., Pre History and Proto History of India and Pakistan, Bombay University Press, 1990.
3. Stuart Piggott., Prehistoric India to 1000 BC, MJP Publisher, 2022.
4. B.Shaik Ali., History: its Theory and Method, Macmillan, 1978
5. R.S.Sharma., Ancient India, New Delhi, 1996
6. Gordon Childe., What Happened in History, Penguin, 1952
7. D.D. Kosambi., The Culture and Civilization of Ancient India in Historical Outline, Vikas Publishing, 1965.
8. D.N.Jha, Ancient India: In Historical Outline, Manohar Publishers, 1999.

9. D.D.Kosambi, An Introduction to the Study of Indian History, Popular Prakashan, 1996.
10. D.P.Chattopadhyay, Science and Society in Ancient India, Research India Publication, 1978.
11. R.C.Majumdar, K.K.Dutta & H.C.RoyChowdhuri (ed.), An Advanced History of India, Macmillan, 1948.
12. RomilaThapar., Cultural Pasts: Essays on Early Indian History, Oxford university Press, 2000.
13. Romila Thapar., Early India: From the origins to 1300, University of California Press, 2004.

Semester-II
4. Age of Enlightenment and State Formation in India

Learning Outcomes:

After successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Know the philosophies of Indian religions.
- Learn about the formation of states and their growth.
- Know the causes of the rise of Magadha and its political history.
- Understand the Mauryans history and Ashoka Dhamma policy.
- Will know the significance of post-Mauryan conditions

Syllabus:

Unit-I

New Religious Philosophy- Ajivikas, Charvakas-Jainism and Buddhism

Unit-II

State formation: Sixteen Mahajanapadas - Rise of Magadha - Nandas- Foreign Invasions - Darius I and Alexander.

Unit-III

Mauryan Empire: Archaeological and Literary Sources-Chandra Gupta Maurya-Bindusara and Ashoka - Ashoka's Dhamma Policy

Unit-IV

The Mauryan Administration-Society, Economy, Art and Architecture - Decline of Mauryan Empire-Sangam Literature

Unit-V

Post Mauryan Period-Invasions from Central Asia-Indo Greeks-Sakas-Parthians and Khushans-Growth of Trade and Urban centres-Coins and Guilds-Gandhara and Mathura Art.

Curricular Activities:

- Visit the nearest Jain and Buddhist sites or temples and submit a project report.
- Conducted a test on the emergence of states in India.
- Conducted a group discussion on Ashoka's religious policy.
- Prepare a poster-making activity on the art and architecture of the Mauryas.
- Visit the nearest museum and study the Indo-Greek coins.
- Students should be asked to prepare an inventory of items preserved in the museum and their usage.
- An assignment can be given on Mauryan art.
- A test can be conducted on Sangam literature.

- A comparative table of Jainism and Buddhism culture can be prepared.
- Book Reviews on latest Developments in History
- Seminars/Group Discussions/Quiz/Unit Tests
- Collection of Articles and Books
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1. K.A.N Sastri., Age of the Nandas and Mouryas, Motilal Banarasidass, 1952
2. R.S.Sharma., Matrial Culture and Social Formations in Ancient India, Macmillan India, 2007.
3. R.S.Sharma., Looking for the Aryans, Orient Longman, 1995.
4. RomilaThaper., History of India, Penguin, 1965
5. V.D.Mahajan., Ancient India, S.Chand and Company Limited, 2019.
6. Upinder Singh., A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India: From the Ancient Stone Age to the 12th Century, Pearson India, 2009.
7. D.N. Jha., Ancient India: An Historical outline, Manohar Publishers, 1999
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10. Romila Thapar., Cultural Pasts: Essays on Early Indian History, Oxford University Press, 2000.
11. Romila Thapar., Ashoka and Decline of theMauryas, OUP, 2012.

SECTION-D (1 MARK FILL IN THE BLANKS):: 5x1=5

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