



**DEPARTMENT OF ANCIENT HISTORY**  
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(An Autonomous Constituent College of University of Allahabad)

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## Master of Arts (MA) Programme

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11	III	3	ANH3TH3	Main Currents of world history (From 1789 A.D. to 1900 A.D.)	4
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16	IV	3	ANH4TH3	Main Currents of world history (From A.D. 1900 to 1945 A.D.)	4
17	IV	4	ANH4TH4	Social History of India (From Circa 7th Century A.D. to 12th Century A.D.)	4
18	IV	5	ANH4TH5	Economic History of India (From Circa 7th Century A.D. to 12th Century A.D.)	4

**Note:**

- Each paper carries Maximum Marks 100.
- Including written exam of 60 Marks, remaining 40 Marks will be computed by the implementation of CBCS system.
- There are three Internal Assessment Examinations which carry 20 Marks each. Among three assessments only Two best awarded marks of the assessment are being computed for the purpose of result.

**M.A. 1ST SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH1TH1**  
**Aspects of Ancient Indian Culture**  
**(Political, Social and Economic Institutions)**

**UNIT-I**

**Introduction to Ancient Indian Culture**

- a) The main characteristics of ancient Indian Culture
- b) Methods and approaches to the study of Indian culture:  
Imperialist, Nationalist, Marxist

**UNIT-II**

**Political Ideas and Institutions**

- a) Origin, nature and functions of state
- b) Republics
- c) Monarchy and its feudal transformations

**UNIT-III**

**Social Institutions**

- a) Varna-caste system-origin and evolution
- b) Ashram system-nature and social significance
- c) Purusartha & Hindu Sanskaras

**UNIT-IV**

**Social Institutions**

- a) Position of women- their abilities and disabilities, proprietary rights and right to education
- b) Education system and educational Institutions: Taxilla, Nalanda, Vikramshila

**UNIT-V**

**Economic Institutions**

- a) Guilds: their organization, functions and their role in social and economic life
- b) Varta: Meaning and Significance, Agriculture and cattle rearing
- c) Trade and commerce

**Books Recommended**

Allchins B. and F.R.	-	Rise of Civilization in India and Pakistan
Altekar, A.S.	-	State and Government in Ancient India
	-	-Position of Women in Hindu Civilization
Aurobindo	-	Foundations of Indian Culture
Basham, A.L.	-	The Wonder that was India.
	-	-A Cultural History of India (ed)
Gopal, Lallanji	-	The Economic List of Northern India
Geeta Devi	-	Prachin Bharat Mein ShikshaVyavastha
Hiriyanna, M.	-	Concept of Indian Values
	-	-Outlines of Indian Philosophy
Gupta, Shiv Kumar	-	Bharatiya Chintan Ka Itihas
Kosambi, D.D.	-	The Culture and Civilization of Ancient India in Historical Outline
Majumdar, R.C.	-	Corporate Life in Ancient India
Mishra, Jaishankar	-	Prachin Bharat Ka SamajikItihas
Mishra, S.M.	-	Prachin Bharat Ka Arthikaltihas
Ojha, A.P.	-	Prachin Bharat Mein SamajikaStarikarana
Pande, G.C.	-	Foundations of Indian Culture-Meaning and Process of Culture.
Pandey, R.B.	-	Hindu Samskaras
Prabhu, P.H.	-	Hindu Social Organizations
Sharma, R.S.	-	Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India (Hindi Tr.)
	-	-Sudras in Ancient India (Hindi Tr.)
	-	-Material Culture and Social Formations in Ancient India (Hindi Tr.)
Thapar, Romila	-	Cultural Pasts: Essays in Early Indian History
Thapalyal, K.K.	-	Guilds in Ancient India.

Tripathi, R.P.	-	Studies in Political and Socio-Economic History of Early India.
Yadava, B.N.S.	-	Society and Culture in Northern India in the Twelfth Century A.D.

**M.A. 1ST SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH1TH2**  
**(CORE) Political History of Ancient**  
**India (From 6<sup>th</sup> Century B.C. to C.**  
**185 B.C.)**

**Note:** To be taught with special reference to its Epigraphic and Numismatic basis.

**UNIT-I**

**Sources**

- a) Literary Sources: Indigenous and foreign
- b) Epigraphy as a source of Political History
- c) Numismatics as a source of Political History

**UNIT-II**

**Beginnings of Historical Age**

- a) Role of Buddhism and Jainism in the formation of kingship and state
- b) Political formation and second urbanization
- c) Mahajanapadas-Monarchical and republican states of sixth century B.C.

**UNIT-III**

**Pre-Mauryan Period**

- a) Persian invasion and its impact
- b) Rise of Magadha from Bimbisara to the Nandas
- c) Origin of the Nandas and achievements of Mahapadmananda
- d) Macedonian invasion and its impact

**UNIT-IV**

**Mauryan Period**

- a) Origin of Mauryas, achievements of Chandragupta Maurya and Bindusara
- b) Ashoka: Extent of empire, Dhamma and its propagation and estimate
- c) Mauryan administration
- d) Decline of the Mauryas

**UNIT-V**

**Inscriptions Prescribed for Epigraphic study**

*Inscriptions of Asoka:*

- Bhabru Edict
- Thirteenth Rock Edict
- Seventh Pillar Edict
- Minor Rock-Edict-I
- Girnar Rock Edict

**Books recommended**

Bhandarkar, D.R.	-	Asoka
Jha, D.N. & Shrimali, K.M.	-	Prachin Bharat Ka Itihasa
JayarajBhoy	-	Alexander's Invasion and its Impact
Mookerjee, R.K.	-	Chandragupta Maurya and His Times
Majumdar, R.C	-	Age of Imperial Unity
Narain, A.K.	-	The Indo-Greeks
Negi, J.S.	-	Groundwork of Ancient Indian History
Pandey, R.N.	-	PrachinBharata Ka Rajanitikaltihasa
Rapson, E.J. (Ed.)	-	Cambridge History of India-Vol. -1
Raychaudhuri, H.C.	-	Political History of Ancient India
Shastri, K.A.N. (Ed.)	-	Age of the Nandas and Mauryas
Sircar, D.C.	-	Select Inscriptions (IInd Ed.)
Sharma, G.R.	-	Reh Inscription of Menander and the Indo-Greek Invasion of the Ganga Valley.
Thapar, Romila	-	Asoka and Decline of the Mauryas

**M.A. 1ST SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH1TH3**  
**Indian Palaeography**

**UNIT-I**

**a) Inscriptions for Transliteration**

- i. Rumindei
- ii. Girnar (First six lines) (Asokan edict)
- iii. Reh Inscription
- iv. Ayagapatta Inscription of Kausambi
- v. Ayodhya Inscription of Dhanadeva
- vi. Mehrauli Iron Pillar Inscription
- vii. Gandhakuti Lotus Lamp Inscription from Kausambi

**b) Coins – Gold Coins of Samudragupta**

**c) Translation from Devanagari to Brahmi of the given period (Maurya, Kushana, Gupta)**

**UNIT-II**

**Origin and Antiquity of Writing in India**

- a) Indus Script- its nature, problem of its decipherment
- b) Kharosthi Script – Origin and Development

**UNIT-III**

**Development of Brahmi through different phases**

- a) Origin and antiquity of Brahmi Script
- b) Features of Mauryan Brahmi
- c) Brahmi of Sunga Satvahana inscriptions

**UNIT-IV**

**Development of Brahmi through different phases**

- a) Brahmi of Saka-Kshatrapa inscriptions
- b) Brahmi of the Kushan inscriptions

**UNIT-V**

**Gupta and Post Gupta Brahmi**

- a) Brahmi of the Gupta period
- b) Development of Brahmi from Kutila to Nagari script
- c) Beginning of the Southern alphabets

**Books Recommended**

Aiyangar, S.K.	-	<i>The Historical Inscriptions of South India</i>
Buhler, J.G.	-	<i>Indian Palaeography</i>
Burnell, A.C.	-	<i>Elements of South Indian Palaeography</i>
Dani, A.H.	-	<i>Indian Palaeography</i>
Ojha, G.H.	-	<i>PrachinBhartiyaLipimala</i>
Pandey, R.B.	-	<i>Indian Palaeography, Part I</i>
Sircar, D.C.	-	<i>Select Inscriptions 2 Vols</i>
Sharma, G.R.	-	Reh Inscription and Indo-Greek Invasion of the Ganga Valley
Upasak, C.S.	-	<i>The History and Palaeography of Mauryan Brahmi</i>
Verma, T. P.	-	<i>Palaeography of Brahmi Script in North India</i>
Roy, S.N.	-	<i>BhartiyaPuralipi Evam Abhilekh</i>

**M.A. 1ST SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH1TH4(ELECTIVE)**  
**Elements of Indian Archaeology: Prehistory**  
**(Group-B: - Non-Archaeology)**

**UNIT-I**

**Methods and Technique**

- a) Archaeology and Ethnography-definition and relationship with allied disciplines
- b) Introduction to Archaeological field methods & techniques

**UNIT-II**

**Palaeolithic Cultures of India**

- a) Sohan
- b) Belan
- c) Son
- d) Narmada

**UNIT-III**

**Mesolithic Cultures of India**

- a) Vindhya
- b) Ganga Valley

**UNIT-IV**

**Neolithic Cultures of India**

- a) Northern India
- b) Vindhya
- c) Southern India

**UNIT-V**

**Transitional Phases**

- a) Hunting, Gathering to Food Production
- b) Food Production to Urbanization

**Books Recommended**

Agrawal, D.P. and Ghosh, A. (eds)	-	<i>Radiocarbon and Indian Archaeology</i>
Allchin, B.	-	<i>Living Traditions: Studies in Ethno-Archaeology of South Asia</i>
Chakrabarti, D. K	-	<i>A History of Indian Archaeology from Beginning to 1947</i>
Misra, V.D.	-	<i>Some Aspects of Indian Archaeology</i>
Misra, V.N. and Mate, M.S. (eds)	-	<i>Indian Prehistory: 1964</i>
Misra, V.D. and Pal, J.N.	-	<i>Indian Prehistory: 1980</i>
Pal, J. N	-	<i>Archaeology of Southern Uttar Pradesh</i>
Pande, G.C.	-	<i>The Dawn of Indian Civilization</i>
Pandey, J.N.	-	<i>Puratattva Vimarsha</i>
Renfrew, Colin	-	<i>Approaches to Social Archaeology</i>
Renfrew, Colin and Bahn, Paul	-	<i>Archaeology: Theories, Methods &amp; Practice</i>
Sankalia, H.D.	-	<i>Prehistory and Protohistory of India and Pakistan</i>
Sharma, G.R.	-	<i>K.C. Chattopadhyay Memorial Volume</i>
Sharma, G.R, V.D. Misra, D. Mandal, B.B. Misra and J.N. Pal	-	<i>Beginning of Agriculture</i>
Varma, R.K.	-	<i>Bhartiya Pragaitihasa Sanskritiyan</i>
	-	<i>-Kshetriya Puratattva</i>
	-	<i>-Bhartiya Pragaitihasa (Methods and Techniques)</i>

Different Numbers of *Puratattva*, Journal of Indian Archaeological Society, New Delhi

Different Numbers of *Ancient India*, Bulletin of Archaeological Survey of India, New Delhi

Different Numbers of *Man and Environment*, Journal of Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, Pune

**M.A. IIND SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH2TH1**  
**Aspects of Ancient Indian Culture:**  
**(Religion, Philosophy, Literature and Art)**

**UNIT- I**

**Sources, Approaches and Early History of Religion**

- a) Indus Religion
- b) Vedic Religion
- c) Buddhism and Jainism

**UNIT-II**

**Later Religions**

- a) Vaisnavism
- b) Saivism: Pashupata, Lingayata and other sub-sects.
- c) Other minor sects: Ajivaka, Saura, Shakta

**UNIT-III**

**Philosophy**

- a) Upanisad
- b) Bhagavadgita
- c) Sankhya and Yoga
- d) Vedanta (Shankara & Ramanuja)

**UNIT-IV**

**Literature**

- a) Date, Authorship, Nature, Content and Historical Significance of Manusmriti
- b) Kautilya's Arthashastra – Date, Authorship and Nature
- c) Milindapanho – Historical Significance
- d) Date of Kalidasa - Historical Significance of Malvikagnimitram

**UNIT-V**

**Art**

- a) Maurya and Sunga Art – Ashokan Pillars, Stupas of Sanchi and Bharhut
- b) Kushana Art: Gandhara and Mathura School of Art
- c) Gupta Art: Temple Architecture

**Books Recommended**

Agrawal, V.S.	-	<i>Indian Art</i> (Hindi Translation)
Allchin, B and F.R.	-	<i>Rise of Civilization in India and Pakistan</i>
Aurobindo	-	<i>Foundation of Indian Culture</i>
Basham, A.L.	-	<i>The Wonder that was India</i>
	-	<i>A Cultural History of India</i> (ed.)
Bhandarkar, R.G.	-	<i>Vaisnavism, Saivism and Minor Religious System</i> (Hindi Translation)
Geeta Devi	-	<i>Prachin Bharat Mein Shiksha Vyavastha</i>
Hiriyanna, M	-	<i>Concept of Indian Values</i>
	-	<i>Outline of Indian Philosophy</i>
Gupta, Shiv Kumar	-	<i>Bharatiya Chintan Ka Itihas</i>
Kosambi, D.D.	-	<i>The Culture and Civilization of Ancient India In Historical Outline</i>
Mishra, Jaishankar	-	<i>Prachin Bharat Ka Samajik Itihas</i>
Pande, G.C.	-	<i>Foundations of Indian Culture</i>
	-	<i>Baudha Dharma Ke Vikash Ka Itihas</i>
	-	<i>Meaning and Process of Culture</i>
Pandey, R.B.	-	<i>Hindu Samskaras</i>
Prabhu, P.H.	-	<i>Hindu Social Organizations</i>
Radha Krishnan, S	-	<i>Indian Philosophy, 2 Vols.</i>
Rowland, Benjamin	-	<i>Art and Architecture of India</i>
Sharma, R.S.	-	<i>Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India</i> (Tr.)
	-	<i>Sudras in Ancient India</i> (Hindi Tr.)
	-	<i>Material Culture and Social Formations in Ancient India</i> (Hindi Tr.)
Thapar, Romila	-	<i>Cultural Past- Essays in Early Indian History</i>
Tripathi, R.P	-	<i>Studies in Political and Socio-Economic History of Early India</i>
Winternitz, M.	-	<i>History of Indian Literature – Vols. I &amp; II</i>
Yadava, B.N.S	-	<i>Society and Culture in Northern India in the Twelfth Century A.D.</i>

**M.A. IIND SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH2TH2**  
**Political History of Ancient India**  
**(From C. 185 B.C. to 319 A.D.)**

**UNIT-I**

**Sources**

- a) Literary Sources: Indigenous and foreign
- b) Epigraphy as a source of Political History
- c) Numismatics as a source of Political History

**UNIT-II**

**Post Mauryan Period**

- a) The Sungas and the Kanvas
- b) Yavanas (Indo-Greeks)
- c) Chedis of Kalinga – Kharavela

**UNIT-III**

**Sakas and Satvahanas**

- a) Origin and early history of Satvahanas
- b) Achievements of GautamiputraSatakarni
- c) Achievements of VashishtiputraPulumavi
- d) Achievements of Rudradaman-I

**UNIT-IV**

**Kushanas**

- a) Origin and history of early Kushanas
- b) Kanishka I: Extent of the empire, date, cultural achievements
- c) Successors of Kanishka-I: Vashishka, Huvishka, Kanishka-II, etc.
- d) India on the eve of the rise of the Guptas

**UNIT-V**

**Inscriptions Prescribed for Epigraphic Study:**

- a) Ayodhya inscription of Dhanadeva
- b) Besanagar inscription of Heliodorus
- c) Hathigumpha cave inscription of Kharavela
- d) Nasik cave inscription of Vasisthiputra
- e) Junagarh inscription of Rudradaman-I
- f) Rebtak inscription of the first year of Kaniska-I

**Books Recommended**

Jha, D.N. &Shrimali, K.M.	-	<i>Prachin Bharat Ka Itihasa</i>
Majumdar, R.C.	-	<i>Age of Imperial Unity</i>
Narain, A.K.	-	<i>The Indo-Greeks</i>
Negi, J.S.	-	<i>Groundwork of Ancient Indian History</i>
Pandey, R.N.	-	<i>PrachinBharata Ka Rajanitikaltihasa</i>
Rapson, E.J. (Ed.)	-	<i>Cambridge History of India-Vol. I</i>
Raychaudhuri, H.C.	-	<i>Political History of Ancient India</i>
Sircar, D.C.	-	<i>Select Inscriptions (IInd Ed.)</i>
Sharma, G.R.	-	<i>Reh Inscription of Menander and Indo-Greek Invasion of the Ganga Valley</i>
Thapar, Romila	-	<i>Asoka and Decline of the Mauryas</i>

**M.A. IIND SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH2TH3**  
**Indian Numismatics**

**UNIT-I**

**Origin and Early Coinage**

- a) Origin and Antiquity of Coinage in ancient India
- b) Punch-Marked Coins
- c) Uninscribed cast copper coins

**UNIT-II**

**Local Coins:**

- a) Coins of Yaudheya, Arjunayana, Malava and Audumbara
- b) Coins from Taxilla, Panchala, Kaushambi, Ayodhya
- c) Indo-Greek coins

**UNIT-III**

**Dynastic Coins**

- a) Satvahana coins
- b) Saka-Pahlava coins
- c) Kushana Coinage:

**UNIT-IV**

**Gupta Coinage:**

- a) Gold,
- b) Silver
- c) Copper coins

**UNIT-V**

**Early Medieval Coinage**

Early Medieval Coinage: Problem of the paucity of Coinage

**Books Recommended**

Chattopadhyaya, B.D.	-	Coins and Currency System of Southern India
Gupta, P.L.	-	BharatiyaSikke
Sircar, D.C.	-	Studies in Indian Coins
RaizadaAjit	-	BhartiyaSikkon Ka Itihas
Singh, A.S.	-	Bharat Ki PrachinMudrayen
Sharma, I.K.	-	Coinage of the Satavahana Empire

**M.A. IIND SEMESTER**  
**COURSE CODE: ANH2TH4**  
**Elements of Indian Archaeology: Proto-History and Historical Archaeology**  
**(Group-B: -Non-Archaeology)**

**UNIT-I**

**Harappan**

- a) Antecedents
- b) Main features
- c) Decline

**UNIT-II**

**Non-Harappan Chalcolithic Culture**

- a) Kaytha
- b) Ahar
- c) Navdatoli (Malwa)
- d) Jorwe
- e) Copper-Hoards

**UNIT-III**

**Antiquity of Iron**

- a) Archaeological evidence
- b) Literary evidence

**UNIT-IV**

**Iron Age Cultures of North India**

- a) P.G.W.
- b) N.B.P.W.

**UNIT-V**

**Iron Age Culture of South India**

- a) Megalithic Cultures
- b) India's contact with the Roman world

**Books Recommended**

Agrawal, D.P.		<i>Copper, Bronze Age in India</i>
Agrawal, D.P. and Ghosh, A. (eds)		<i>Radiocarbon and Indian Archaeology</i>
Allchin, B.		<i>Living Traditions: Studies in Ethno Archaeology of South Asia</i>
Allchin, F.R.		<i>Archaeology of Early Historic South Asia: The Emergence of city and State</i>
Banerjee, N.R.		<i>The Iron Age in India</i>
Chakrabarti, D.K.		<i>A History of Indian Archaeology from Beginning to 1947</i>
Ghosh, A.		<i>The City in Early Historical India</i>
Lal, B.B.		<i>Early Civilization of South Asia</i>
Misra, V.D.		<i>Some Aspects of Indian Archaeology</i>
Misra, V.N. and Mate, M.S. (eds)		<i>Indian Prehistory: 1964</i>
Misra, V.D. and Pal, J.N.		<i>Indian Prehistory: 1980</i>
Pal, J.N.		<i>Archaeology of Southern Uttar Pradesh</i>
Pande, G.C.		<i>The Dawn of Indian Civilization</i>
Pandey, J.N.		<i>PuratattvaVimarsha</i>
Ram Chandran		<i>Bibliography of Indian Megaliths</i>
Ratnagar, Shirin		<i>Decline of Harappan Civilization</i>
Renfrew, Colin		<i>Approaches to Social Archaeology</i>
Renfrew, Colin and Bahn, Paul		<i>Archaeology: Theories, Methods &amp; Practice</i>
Sankalia, H.D.		<i>Prehistory and Protohistory of India and Pakistan</i>
Sharma, G.R.		<i>Excavations at Kausambi (1957-59) K.C. Chattopadhyay Memorial Volume</i>
Sharma, G.R., V.D. Misra, D. Mandal, B.B. Misra and J.N. Pal		<i>Beginning of Agriculture</i>
Thaplyal, K.K.		<i>Sindhu Sabhyata</i>
Tripathi, Vibha		<i>Painted Grey Ware and Iron Age Cultures of Northern India</i>
Varma, R.K.		<i>BhartiyaPragaitihasaSanskritiyan</i>
		<i>-KshetriyaPuratattva</i>
		<i>-BhartiyaPragitihasa (Methods andTechniques)</i>
Wheeler, R.E.M.		<i>Indus Civilization</i>

Different Numbers of *Puratattva*, Journal of Indian Archaeological Society, New Delhi Different

Numbers of *Ancient India*, Bulletin of Archaeological Survey of India, New Delhi

Different Numbers of *Man and Environment*, Journal of Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, Pune

**M.A.SemesterIII****CourseCode:ANH3TH1****Political History of Ancient India**

(From A.D. 319 to 550 A.D.)

**UNIT-I : Source**

- a) Literary: (i) Indigenous (ii) Foreign Accounts  
b) Archaeological:  
i) Inscriptions  
ii) Numismatics  
iii) Architecture  
iv) Other archaeological Material (explored excavated, seals, sealings, etc.)

**Early Guptas**

- a) Political conditions of northern India on the eve of the rise of the Gupta empire  
b) Origin and original home of the Guptas  
c) Early history of the Guptas (up to Chandragupta-I)

**UNIT-II : Samudragupta**

- a) Accession of Samudragupta, Kacha problem  
b) Samudragupta's campaigns of Aryavarta, Dakshinapatha and of frontier states, etc.  
c) Extent of the Empire & Estimate  
d) Historicity of Ramagupta

**UNIT-III: Chandragupta II**

- a) Identification of Chandra of Meharauli Pillar Inscription  
b) Chandragupta II (Career and achievements)

- c) Relation with Sakas and Vakatakas
- d) Kumaragupta I: (i) (Career and Achievements (ii) The problem of succession between Skandgupta and Purugupta

- UNIT-IV: History of Late Gupta Period
- a) Skandgupta (Achievements)
  - b) Descendents of the Guptas: Kumargupta II, Buddhagupta Narsinghagupta Baladitya, Bhangupta etc.
  - c) Causes of the disintegration of the Gupta empire
  - d) Huna's Invasion and its impact

- UNIT-V: Epigraphic notes on the following Inscriptions
- a) Allahabad Pillar Inscription
  - b) Udayagiri undated cave inscription
  - c) Meharauli Iron Pillar Inscription of Chandra
  - d) Junagarh Inscription of Skandagupta
  - e) Bhitari Pillar Inscription of Skandagupta
  - f) Mandor inscription of Kumargupta I
  - g) Eran Inscription of Bhanugupta
  - h) Poona Copper Plate of Prabhavtigupta

**Books Recommended:**

Basak. R.G.	-	<i>History of North Eastern India</i>
Biswas, Atreyi	-	<i>Political History of Hunas in India</i>
Chattopadyay, S	-	<i>Early History of Northern India</i>
Goel, S.R.	-	<i>Gupta –Samrajya</i>
Majumdar, R.C. & Altekar, A.S. (Ed)	-	<i>History of the Imperial Guptas</i>
Majumdar, R.C. and others	-	<i>The Vakataka-Gupta Age</i>
	-	<i>The Classical Age</i>
Mirashi, V.V.	-	<i>Vakataka Rajavansha Aur Usaka Yuga</i>
Raychaudhuri, H.C.	-	<i>Political History of Ancient India</i>
Roy, U.N.	-	<i>Gupta-SamraturUnaka-Kala</i>
Sinha, B.P.	-	<i>Decline of the Kingdom of Magadha</i>
Tripathi, R.S.	-	<i>History of Kannauj</i>

**M.A. Semester-III**  
**Course Code: ANH3TH2**  
**Theories of History**

- UNIT-I: History and Introduction:
- a) Origin
  - b) Definition
  - c) Relation with Social-Sciences
- UNIT-II: Scope:
- a) Nature
  - b) Subject Matter
  - c) Utility
- UNIT-III: Historical Methodology:
- a) Problems related to Indian Historiography
  - b) The issue of objectivity in History
  - c) Is History Science?
- UNIT-IV: Vedic Historiography:
- a) Gatha Narasamsi

b) Akhyan

c) Danstuti

UNIT-V: Modern Historiography of Ancient India:

a) R. G. Bhandarkar

b) R. C. Majumdar

c) G. C. Pandey

**Books Recommended:**

Carr, E.H.	-	<i>What is History</i> , London
Collingwood, R.G.	-	<i>The Idea of History</i> , Oxford
Gardiner, P. (Ed.)	-	<i>Theories of History</i>
Ghoshal, U.N.	-	<i>Studies in Indian History and Culture</i>
Gooch, G.P.	-	<i>History and Historians in the Nineteenth Century</i>
Jenkins, Keith	-	<i>Rethinking History</i>
Kolle V. and Kovalson, M.	-	<i>Historical Materialism</i>
Marwick, Arthur	-	<i>The New Nature of History</i>
Om Prakash	-	<i>Conceptualization and History</i>
Pande, G.C. (Ed.)	-	<i>Itihasa: Svarupa Evam Siddhanta</i>
Pathak, V.S.	-	<i>Ancient Historians of India</i>
Philips, C.A. (Ed.)	-	<i>Historians of India, Pakistan and Ceylon</i>
Reinor, G.	-	<i>History: Its Purpose and Methods</i>
Sreedharan, E.	-	<i>A Textbook of Historiography: 500 B.C. to A.D. 2000 (Hindi Translation Available)</i>
Walsh, E.	-	<i>Philosophy of History</i>
Wardar, A.K.	-	<i>An Introduction to Indian Historiography</i>
Webster, John C.B.	-	<i>An Introduction to History</i>
White, Hayden	-	<i>Metahistory</i>
Widgery, A.	-	<i>Interpretation of History</i>
Pandey, L. P.	-	<i>BhartiyaItihas Darshana Itihas aurItihaskarra</i>
Singh, G. P.	-	<i>Ancient Indian Historiography</i>

**M.A. Semester-III**

**Course Code: ANH3TH3**

**Main Currents of World History**

(From 1789 A.D. to 1900 A.D.)

UNIT - I: Age of Revolution and Progress

a) French Revolution (1789-1795 AD): Aims and Nature, Causes and Consequences

b) The Industrial Revolution – Causes and Consequential changes – Socialism

UNIT - II: Napoleonic Era

a) Rise of Napoleon, Achievement and Downfall

b) Vienna Congress – Aims, Nature and Consequence

UNIT - III: Rise of Nationalism

a) Unification of Germany

b) Unification of Italy

UNIT - IV: Eastern Question and The Turks

a) Crimean War (1853-56 AD), Russo – Turkish War (1877 – 1878 AD) and Berlin Congress

b) Balkan Wars

c) Making of Modern Turkey – Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

UNIT - V: Far East: 19<sup>th</sup> Century

a) Meiji Restoration in Japan, Japanese Imperialism

b) China – Opium War, Boxer Rebellion

**Books Recommended:**

Albjerg and Albjerg	-	<i>Europe from 1914 to the Present Day</i>
Benns, F.F.	-	<i>Europe 1870-1914</i>
	-	<i>Europe since 1914 in the World Setting</i>
Bury, J.T.P	-	<i>The New Cambridge Modern History (Relevant Volumes)</i>
Gershoy, L.	-	<i>The French revolution and Napoleon</i>
Roberts, F.M.	-	<i>The Origins of Second World War</i>
Rudy, George	-	<i>Revolutionary Europe</i>
Seman, L.B.	-	<i>From Vienna to Versailles</i>
Taylor, A.J.P.	-	<i>The Struggle for the Mastery in Europe</i>
Thomson, David	-	<i>Europe since Napoleon</i>
Vinacke, H.M.	-	<i>History of the Far East in Modern Time</i>
Schapiro, J. Salwyn	-	<i>Modern and Contemporary European History, 1815-1952</i>

**M.A. Semester-III****Course Code: ANH3TH4****Group-C: Social History of India**(From Earliest Times to Circa 6<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)

- UNIT-I: Sources
- a) Literary sources
- i) Indigenous-Religious and secular
- ii) Foreign Accounts
- b) Archaeological Sources
- i) Epigraphic
- ii) Numismatic
- iii) Excavation/exploration reports
- UNIT-II: Trends and approaches to the study of ancient Indian society
- a) Historical study of society (Horizontal)
- b) Social Life of Indus Valley civilization
- c) Social Life of Vedic period
- d) Social Life of Mauryan period and post Maurya period (up to Kushanas)
- e) Social Life of Gupta period
- UNIT-III: Historical Study of Social Institutions
- a) Varna and Ashram system –origin and evolution
- b) Caste system –origin and nature
- c) Sanskras
- d) Purusartha
- UNIT-IV: Study of other Social Institutions:
- Position of Women:
- a) Their abilities and disabilities
- b) Their proprietary right
- c) Right to education
- d) Position of widows
- e) Sati custom Educational Institutions:
- a) Taxilla, Kashi and Vallabhi
- b) Curriculum
- UNIT-V: Study of Labour and Outcastes
- a) Slavery: Types, its use
- b) Visti: origin, evolution and its use
- c) Outcastes

**Books Recommended:**

Adhya, G.L.	-	<i>Early Indian Economics</i>
Allchin, B. and F.R.	-	<i>Birth of Indian Civilization</i>
Altekar, A.S.	-	<i>Position of Women in Hindu Civilization</i>
Altekar, A.S.	-	<i>Education in Ancient Indian</i>
Aiyangar, K.V.R.	-	<i>Aspect of ancient Indian Economic thought</i>

Bajpai, K.D.	-	<i>BhartiyaVyapara Ka Itihasa</i>
Bandyopadhaya, N.C.	-	<i>Economic Life and Progress in Ancient India</i>
Bhattacharya, S.C.	-	<i>Some Aspects of Indian Society (2<sup>nd</sup> century B.C. to 4<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)</i>
Bose, A.N.	-	<i>Social and Rural Economy of Northern India</i> 2 Volumes.
Buhler, G.	-	<i>Laws of Manu</i>
Chanan, D.	-	<i>Slavery in Ancient India</i>
Derrett, J.D.M.	-	<i>Religion, Law and State in India</i>
Ghose, A.	-	<i>The City in Early Historical India</i>
Ghoshal, U.N.	-	<i>Hindu Revenue System</i>
Hutton, J.	-	<i>Caste in India</i>
Kangle, R.P.	-	<i>KautilyaArthasastra</i>
Kane, P.V.	-	<i>History of Dharmasastra</i> Vol. II (Hindi Version Vol. II)
Macdonell and Keith	-	<i>Vedic Index</i> , 2 Vols.
Majumdar, R.C.	-	<i>Corporate Life in Ancient India</i>
Mukerjee, Sandhya	-	<i>Some Aspect of Social Life in Ancient India</i>
Ojha, A.P.	-	<i>PrachinBharat Mein SamajikStarikaran</i>

**M.A. Semester-III**  
**Course Code: ANH3TH5**  
**Group-C: Economic History of India**  
(From Earliest Times to 6<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)

- UNIT-I: Sources:
- a) Literary sources  
Indigenous-Dharmashastra, Secular and Religious and Foreign Accounts
  - b) Archaeological Sources  
Epigraphic, Numismatic and Excavation/Exploration Reports
  - c) Trends and Approaches to the study of Ancient Indian Economy
- UNIT-II: Historical Study of Economy: Economic Life
- a) Indus Valley civilization
  - b) Vedic Period
  - c) Mauryan Period
  - d) Post-Mauryan Period and Gupta Period
- UNIT-III: Study of History of Agriculture:
- a) Land Ownership and land Possession
  - b) Irrigation System
  - c) Crops, Cultivation and Manuring
  - d) Agricultural Implements and Labour: Slavery and Vishti
  - e) Animal Husbandry
- UNIT-IV: Study of History of Trade and Commerce: International External Trade and Corporate Activities:
- a) Trade routes (Land and water) and Means of Transport
  - b) Ports and Towns (Trade Centers)
  - c) Items of Import and Export
  - d) Trade Relations with other Countries, Rome, Southeast Asia and China
- Corporate Activities, Currency System
- a) Industrial and Traders' Guilds: Definition, Organization and Functions
  - b) Nigam, Definition Organization and Functions
  - c) Carvan Trade, with Indigenous and Other Countries
- UNIT-V: Revenue System, Money lending and Currency System:
- a) Agricultural and Trade Taxes
  - b) Fines, Principle and practice of Taxation
  - c) Definition and Types of Lending

- d) Rate of Interest  
e) Monetary Condition: State of Coined Money

**Books Recommended:**

Adhya, G.L.	-	<i>Early Indian Economics</i>
Allchin, B. and F.R.	-	<i>Birth of Indian Civilization</i>
Altekar, A.S.	-	<i>Position of Women in Hindu Civilization</i>
Altekar, A.S.	-	<i>Education in Ancient Indian</i>
Aiyangar, K.V.R.	-	<i>Aspect of Ancient Indian Economic thought</i>
Bajpai, K.D.	-	<i>BhartiyaVyapara Ka Itihasa</i>
Bandyopadhaya, N.C.	-	<i>Economic Life and Progress in Ancient India</i>
Bhattacharya, S.C.	-	<i>Some Aspects of Indian Society (2<sup>nd</sup> century B.C. to 4<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)</i>
Bose, A.N.	-	<i>Social and Rural Economy of Northern India 2 Volumes</i>
Buhler, G.	-	<i>Laws of Manu</i>
Chanana, D.	-	<i>Slavery in Ancient India</i>
Derrett, J.D.M.	-	<i>Religion, Law and State in India</i>
Ghosh, A.	-	<i>The City in Early Historical India</i>
Ghoshal, U.N.	-	<i>Hindu Revenue System</i>
Hutton, J.	-	<i>Caste in India</i>
Kangle, R.P.	-	<i>KautilyaArthasastra</i>
Kane, P.V.	-	<i>History of Dharmasastra Vol. II (Hindi Version Vol. II)</i>
Macdonell and Keith	-	<i>Vedic index, 2 Vols.</i>
Majumdar, R.C.	-	<i>Corporate Life in Ancient India</i>
Mukerjee, Sandhya	-	<i>Some Aspect of Social Life in Ancient India</i>
Ojha, A.P.	-	<i>Prachina Bharat Mein Samajika Starikarana</i>
Om Prakash	-	<i>Conceptualization and History</i>
Pran Nath	-	<i>Economic Life in Ancient India</i>
Raj, Bharti	-	<i>Prachin Bharat Me Samajika Gatishilta Ka Addhyayan</i>
Sharma, R.S.	-	<i>Studies in Ancient India: Light on Early Indian Economy and Society</i>
	-	<i>Indian Feudalism</i>
	-	<i>Material Culture and Social Formations in Ancient India</i>
Thakur, V.K.	-	<i>Urbanization in Ancient India.</i>

**M.A. Semester-IV**  
**Course Code: ANH4TH1**  
**Political History of Ancient**  
**India** (From A.D. 550 to 1200 A.D.)

- UNIT-I: Sources:
- a) Literary and Archaeological Sources
    - i) Indigenous
    - ii) Foreign accounts
    - iii) Inscriptions
    - iv) Numismatic
    - v) Architecture and others
- UNIT-II: History of Post-Gupta Period
- a) Later Guptas
  - b) Maukharis
  - c) Vakatakas
  - d) Pallavas
  - e) Aulikaras and Maitrakas
  - f) Vakataka-Pallava Relations
- UNIT-III: History of Pushyabhuti Dynasty and Chalukyas of Badami
- a) Harsha's Campaign and Chronology

- b) Extent of the Empire
- i) Relation with contemporary kingdoms with special reference to the Chalukyas of Badami
- ii) Estimate
- Chalukyas of Badami:
- a) Origin and Early History of Chalukyas
- b) Pulkesin II and his Achievements
- c) Chalukya-Pallava Relations
- d) Arab Invasion
- UNIT-IV: Political History:
- a) Gurjar-Partihar- with special reference to Achievements of Mihirabhoj
- b) Palas-with special reference to Achievements of Dharmpal
- c) Rashtrakutas- with special reference to Achievements of Dhruva Dharavarsa or Govind III
- Tripartite Struggle:
- a) Chandellas
- b) Chahmanas – with special reference to Achievements of Prithviraja- III
- Foreign Invasions:
- a) Ghazanavi’s Invasion
- b) Turk Invasion (with special reference to Mohammad Ghori)
- UNIT-V: Epigraphic notes on the following Inscriptions:
- a) Banskhera Inscription of Harsha
- b) Haraha Inscription of Ishanavarman
- c) Aihole Inscription of Pulakeshina-II
- d) Aphasada Inscription of Adityasena
- e) Mandasore Inscription of Yashodharman

**Books Recommended:**

Basak. R.G.	-	<i>History of North Eastern India</i>
Devahuti, D	-	<i>Harshavardhana</i>
Mukerjee, R.V.	-	<i>Harsha</i>
Sinha, B.P.	-	<i>Decline of the Kingdom of Magadha</i>

**M.A. Semester-IV**

**Course Code: ANH4TH2**

**Philosophy of History**

- UNIT-I: Oriental Tradition of Historiography:
- a) Introduction and Approaches
- b) Historical Explanation
- c) Historical Positivism
- UNIT-II: Introduction and approaches to the modern Historiography of 19<sup>th</sup> Century:
- a) Ranke
- b) Hegel
- c) Karl Marks
- UNIT-III: Modern Historiography of 20<sup>th</sup> Century:
- a) Spengler
- b) Toynbee
- c) R. G. Collingwood
- UNIT-IV: Historical Text:
- a) Harsh Charit

b) VikramankdevaCharit

c) Rajtarangini

UNIT-V: An introduction of Historians:

a) D. D. Kosambi

b) K. P. Jaiswal

c) B. N. S. Yadav

**Books Recommended:**

Carr, E.H.	-	<i>What is History</i> , London
Collingwood, R.G.	-	<i>The Idea of History</i> , Oxford
Gardiner, P. (Ed.)	-	<i>Theories of History</i>
Ghoshal, U.N.	-	<i>Studies in Indian History and Culture</i>
Gooch, G.P.	-	<i>History and Historians in the Nineteenth Century</i>
Jenkins, Keith	-	<i>Rethinking History</i>
Kolle V. and Kovalson, M.	-	<i>Historical Materialism</i>
Marwick, Arthur	-	<i>The New Nature of History</i>
Om Prakash	-	<i>Conceptualization and History</i>
Pande, G.C. (Ed.)	-	<i>Itihasa: Svarupa Evam Siddhanta</i>
Pathak, V.S.	-	<i>Ancient Historians of India</i>
Philips, C.A. (Ed.)	-	<i>Historians of India, Pakistan and Ceylon</i>
Reinor, G.	-	<i>History: Its Purpose and Methods</i>
Sreedharan, E.	-	<i>A Textbook of Historiography: 500 B.C. to A.D. 2000 (Hindi Translation Available)</i>
Walsh, E.	-	<i>Philosophy of History</i>
Wardar, A.K.	-	<i>An Introduction to Indian Historiography</i>
Webster, John C.B.	-	<i>An Introduction to History</i>
White, Hayden	-	<i>Metahistory</i>
Widgery, A.	-	<i>Interpretation of History</i>
Pandey, L. P.	-	<i>BhartiyalItihasaDarshana Itihasaurltihaskarra</i>
Singh, G. P.	-	<i>Ancient Indian Historiography</i>

**M.A. Semester-IV**

**Course Code: ANH4TH3**

**Main Currents of World History**

(From 1900 A.D. to 1945 A.D.)

UNIT -I: World War – I and After

- a) Causes and Consequences of World War – I
- b) The Paris Conference – Versailles Settlement
- c) The League of Nations

UNIT-II: Communism and Revolution

- a) Rise of Communism – Karl Marx
- b) Russian Revolution (1917) – Causes and Consequences

UNIT -III: Far East: 20<sup>th</sup> Century

- a) Japanese Militarism
- b) Chinese Revolution of 1911

UNIT-IV: Rise of Dictatorship

- a) Nazism in Germany – Rise of Hitler
- b) Rise of Fascism in Italy

- UNIT-V: World War – II and After
- a) Causes and Consequences of World War -II
  - b) Disintegration of League of Nations
  - c) United Nations Organization (UNO)

**Books Recommended:**

Albjerg and Albjerg	-	<i>Europe from 1914 to the Present Day</i>
Benns, F.F.	-	<i>Europe 1870-1914</i>
	-	<i>Europe since 1914 in the World Setting</i>
Bury, J.T.P	-	<i>The New Cambridge Modern History (Relevant Volumes)</i>
Gershoy, L.	-	<i>The French revolution and Napoleon</i>
Roberts, F.M.	-	<i>The Origins of Second World War</i>
Rudy, George	-	<i>Revolutionary Europe</i>
Seman, L.B.	-	<i>From Vienna to Versailles</i>
Taylor, A.J.P.	-	<i>The Struggle for the Mastery in Europe</i>
Thomson, David	-	<i>Europe since Napoleon</i>
Vinacke, H.M.	-	<i>History of the Far East in Modern Time</i>
Schapiro, J. Salwyn	-	<i>Modern and Contemporary European History, 1815 - 1952</i>

**M.A. Semester-IV**  
**Course Code: ANH4TH4**  
**Group-C: Social History of India**  
 (From Circa 7<sup>th</sup> Century A.D. to 12<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)

- UNIT-I: Sources, Trends and Approaches
- a) Literary Sources
    - i) Indigenous: religious and secular
    - ii) Foreign accounts
  - b) Archaeological sources: inscriptions, numismatic and others

Trends and approaches to study of ancient Indian society Transitional Phase from Ancient to Early Medieval Period:

- a) Transition from ancient to Early Medieval period
  - b) Origin of feudal system and its main characteristics
- Socio-economic changes during the early medieval period

- UNIT-II: Historical Study of Society (vertical):  
 Position of Varnashram system:
- a) Position of Brahmanas, Kshatriyas, Vaishyas and Shudras
  - b) Sanskara
  - c) Purushartha
  - d) Family

- UNIT-III: Historical Study of Social Institutions:
- a) Position of untouchables (Antyajas)
  - b) Changes in the institution of slavery
  - c) Changes in the Institution of Vishti
  - d) Position of wage-earners (Karmkar, servants)

- UNIT-IV: Historical Study of position of women:
- a) Position of women in General
  - b) Abilities and disabilities
  - c) Proprietary right
  - d) Right to education and
  - e) Place in the family

- UNIT-V: Historical Study of Education:
- a) Centres of learning
    - (i) Nalanda, Vikramshila, Odantpuri

- (ii) Kashmiri institutions
- (iii) Mathas and GhatikaVidyalayas
- b) Curriculum, Discipline
- c) Patronage to educational institutions

**Books Recommended:**

Gopal, L	-	<i>Economic Life in Northern India</i>
Majumdar, B.P.	-	<i>Socio-Economic History of Northern India (11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)</i>
Niyogi, Pushpa	-	Contribution to the Economic Life of Northern India
Rai, G.K.	-	<i>Involuntary Labour in Ancient India</i>
Sharma, B.N.	-	<i>Social Life in Northern India (C. 600-1000 A.D.)</i>
Sharma, R.S.	-	<i>Social Changes in Early Medieval India</i>
	-	<i>Indian Feudalism</i>
Upadhyaya, V	-	<i>The Socio-Religious Conditions of Northern India</i>
Yadava, B.N.S.	-	<i>Society and Culture in Northern India in the Twelfth Century A.D.</i>

**M.A. Semester-IV**  
**Course Code: ANH4TH5**  
**Group-C: Economic History of India**  
 (From Circa 7<sup>th</sup> Century A.D. to 12<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)

- UNIT-I: Sources, Trends and Approaches
- a) Literary Sources:
    - i) Indigenous: Religious, Dharmashashtra and Secular
    - ii) Foreign Accounts
  - b) Archaeological sources: Inscriptions and numismatic sources
  - c) Trends and Approaches to the study of Economic History
- UNIT-II: Agriculture History:
- a) Land ownership and land possession
  - b) Irrigation system, flood and famine
  - c) Manuring and knowledge about climate
  - d) Agricultural implements and animal husbandry
  - e) Types of labour and their use in agriculture
- UNIT-III: Trade and Commerce (Internal and External):
- a) Trade routes – Land and water, indigenous and foreign both
  - b) Means of transport
  - c) Centre and entrepots of trade: cities, towns and ports
  - d) Items of export and import
  - e) Means of exchange-barter, coins
- UNIT-IV: Industries and Corporate Life:
- a) Industries: Textile, Metal, Others: Salt, Wine, etc.
  - b) Guilds:
    - i) Trade guilds- definition, organization and function
    - ii) Industrial guilds – definition, organization and function
    - iii) Nigam – definition, organization and function
    - iv) Carwan Trade – definition, organization and function
- UNIT-V: History of Revenue System, Settlement and Debts:
- a) Taxation and Revenue System:
    - i) Principle and practice of taxation
    - ii) Agricultural taxes
    - iii) Trade taxes
    - iv) Oppressive features of taxes
  - b) Settlement
    - i) Features of urban centers and their spatial distribution
    - ii) The problem of de-urbanization

- iii) settlement of village (their increasing numbers)
- iv) Self-sufficient villages
- c) Debts and Money Lending
  - i) Definition and types of debts
  - ii) Rates of interests
  - iii) Implications of lending

**Books Recommended:**

Agrawal, V.S.	-	<i>Harsh Charit – Ek Sankritik Addhyayan</i>
Gopal, L.	-	<i>Economic Life of Northern India</i>
Majumdar, B.P.	-	<i>Socio-Economic History of Northern India (11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Century A.D.)</i>
Niyogi, Pushpa	-	<i>Contribution to the Economic Life of Northern India</i>
Rai, G.K.	-	<i>Involuntary Labour in Ancient India</i>
Sharma, B.N.	-	<i>Social Life in Northern India (C. 600-1000 A.D.)</i>
Sharma, R.S.	-	<i>Social Changes in Early Medieval India</i>
	-	<i>Indian Feudalism</i>
Upadhyaya, V.	-	<i>The Socio-Religious Conditions of Northern India</i>
Yadava, B.N.S.	-	<i>Society and Culture in Northern India in the Twelfth Century A.D.</i>

