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## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

### Teaching Plan 2023-24(UG-History Honours/Major/Minor) 2nd,4<sup>th</sup>,6<sup>th</sup> Semesters

Semester	Paper/Course	Unit/Module	Teacher	No. of lectures	To be completed by
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	<b>Course – II(Major): Social Formation and Cultural pattern of the Ancient and early Medieval World</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> Pre-historic and proto-historic cultures beyond India – beginning of agriculture and animal husbandry – searches into the history of Africa, the Aztec Civilization and the Inca Society.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> Bronze Civilizations of Egypt, Mesopotamia, China and eastern Mediterranean lands.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit-3:</b> The Polis and slave society of ancient Greece - rise of ancient Rome – decline of the Roman Empire – agrarian economy and trade – the Church and the question of religion.	Jaydeb Mandal	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit-4:</b> Societies in Central Islamic Lands - spread of Islam – the Ummah, Caliphate State, Shariah and Sufi culture.	Arunava Sinha	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test/Home Assignment			

		Revision and preparation for university exam			5 <sup>th</sup> month
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	SEC (for major students only):Studies in Electronic Communication System.				
		Unit-1: Basics of computer and its operation, - Classification of computer -History of computer generation- Directories, Input units, Output Unit - Central Processing Units - Hardware - Software.	Ajoy Ghosh	08	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		Unit-2: Technologies and instruments of electronic communication – history of electronic communication. Different electronic communication devices and their usage. Analog and digital communication.	Arunava Sinha	08	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Unit-3. Introduction to Computer Networks - Data communications, components, network categories (LAN, MAN, WAN)- Network security- Internet - brief history, internet today - protocols and standards.	Jaydeb Mandal	08	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		Unit-4: - making of PowerPoint presentation-animation; different components of Google Drive and their usage. Google Meet-presentation, Use of YouTube in studying history- use of E-library. Internet archive - N-LIST. Impact of social media on young students.	Jaydeb Mandal	08	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test/Home Assignment			
		Revision and preparation for university exam			5 <sup>th</sup> month
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	Course II((Minor): History of Medieval India –	Unit-1: Northern India under the Delhi Sultanate - consolidation of the Sultanate from 1206 to1286 AD; the Khalji Revolution and the omnipotent state under the Khaljis; The Tughluqperiod of reforms and counter reforms; decline of the Delhi Sultanate - the successor states ofBijoynagar, Bahmani and	Arunava Sinha	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month

		Bengal - society, economy, art, architecture and literature.			
		<b>Unit-2:</b> Delhi on the eve of the Mughal ascent - Timur's invasion - the Sayyids and Lodis - Babu's adventure - Babur's central Asian connection - Humayun's misfortune - Sher Shah Surand Afghan rule in India - Making of the Mughal State from Akbar to Aurangzeb.	Jaydeb Mandal	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit -3:</b> Agrarian crisis and the decline of the Mughal Empire - regional polity – the Marathas under <i>Shivaji</i> and the <i>Peshwas</i> ; the Sikh challenge - emergence of successor states – Bengal, <i>Awadh</i> , Mysore and Hyderabad.	Arunava Sinha	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit - 4:</b> Mughal India in retrospect - state and religion; evolution of the administrative system– mansab and jagir - management of land and agriculture – features of urban economy, trade and industry - society and culture – religion of the masses - language, music and literature; art and architecture.	Jaydeb Mandal	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test/Home Assignment			
		Revision and preparation for university exam.			5 <sup>th</sup> month
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Course - VIII History of Mughal India</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> Survey of sources and different aspects of historiography of Mughal India – reading of the texts of AbulFazal, Badauni, Abdul Hamid Lahori and Bernier - Studies in the writings of Sir Jadunath Sarkar and historians from Delhi and Aligarh schools.	Jaydeb Mandal	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> Making of the Mughal State from Akbar to Aurangzeb - state and religion – management of land and agriculture - evolution of the administrative system - Mansab and jagir - the Mughal ruling classes	Jaydeb Mandal	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month

		- nobility and zamindars - the peasants and village community.			
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit-3:</b> Trade, commerce, and monetary system - routes of trade and commodity pattern of internal transactions - overseas trade and commodity pattern - markets and monetary system.	Jaydeb Mandal	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit-4:</b> Urban centres - morphology of cities - urban economy – crafts, technology and industry - imperial <i>karkhanas</i> - urban social structure, merchant communities, bankers, artisans, craftsmen and labourers.	Jaydeb Mandal	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam			5 <sup>th</sup> month
4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	<b>Course – IX History of Late Medieval India</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> Society and culture – religion of the masses - language, music and literature - art and architecture.	Arunav a Sinha	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> Regional polity – the Marathas under <i>Shivaji</i> and the <i>Peshwas</i> - the Sikh challenge.	Arunav a Sinha	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit-3:</b> Decline of the Mughal Empire - agrarian crisis and the eighteenth-century debate.	Arunav a Sinha	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit -4:</b> Emergence of successor states – Bengal, <i>Awadh</i> , Mysore and Hyderabad.	Arunav a Sinha	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam			5 <sup>th</sup> month
4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	<b>Course - X Rise of Modern Europe</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> Historiography – studies in the writings of Alfred Cobban, Lefebvre, Eric Hobsbawm, E.P. Thompson, David Thomson and A.J.P. Taylor.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> The eighteenth-century background to the French Revolution - society, economy, and polity; the	Ajoy Ghosh	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month

		philosophers and the ideological revolution.			
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit-3:</b> People in the French Revolution – aristocracy, bourgeois, peasants and workers – the Constituent Assembly and its achievements - Girondins and Jacobins - the Reign of Terror and the Rise and fall of the Jacobin Republic - the Thermidorian reaction and the Directory; the Napoleonic Era - interpreting the French Revolution.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit-4:</b> The unity and disunity in Europe in 1815 - the Vienna Congress and rise of Metternich - struggle between forces of continuity and change.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam	5 <sup>th</sup> month		
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>	<b>GE: Course – IV History of Europe from the Fifteenth to the Twentieth Century.</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> Renaissance and Reformation - socio-economic roots - secularism and humanism - art, architecture, science and literature - the printing revolution.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> Seventeenth century crisis - Glorious Revolution in England and great changes in political, economic and state structure - American War of Independence, birth of new democratic politics - from scientific to Industrial Revolution - rise of industrial societies in Europe – the transition debate.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			

		<b>Unit-3:</b> The French Revolution; society, economy, and polity; the philosophers and the ideological revolution – the Napoleonic era – the Vienna Settlement and the Metternich system -revolutions of 1830 and 1848 – birth of the united nation states of Germany and Italy – KarlMarx and the socialist challenge in Europe.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	3rd month
		<b>Unit-4:</b> Roots of European imperialism, Nazism and Fascism - the World Wars as the total wars- from the League of Nations to the UNO - the Cold War after 1945 - various military and economic alliances; regional conflicts in the bi-polar world, Vietnam, Korea, Cuba, the middle East and Afghanistan.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam			5 <sup>th</sup> month
6 <sup>th</sup> Semester	<b>Course – XIII Modern Europe: From Nationalism to Socialism</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> The age of Revolutions – the national revolutions (1830-1850) - the liberal revolutionsand the transformation of Russian society - remaking of eastern Europe.	Arunava Sinha	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> The economic revolutions, consolidation of capitalism and formation of big nationalstates in Germany and Italy - imperial advances before and after Bismarck – developments in eastern Europe - the new balance of power in Europe - Europe divided.	Arunava Sinha	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit-3:</b> Politics of democracy - industrial society and its critics - new concept of welfare stateand revolution in medical science - reason, social change and social reform - the new woman - arts transformed.	Arunava Sinha	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit-4:</b> The socialist challenge - from utopian to Marxian socialism - the	Arunava Sinha	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month

		German, French and Russian variety of socialist politics.			
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam.			
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Course – XIV Trends in World Politics from the First to the Second World War</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> Different theories of world politics - the Marxist and non-Marxist approaches.	Arunava Sinha	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> Roots of European imperialism and the World Wars as the total war - impact of war on European mind - Peace settlement of 1919 and search for the collective security - the League of Nations.	Arunava Sinha	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit-3:</b> Aspects of the war economy in the inter-war period - the depression and new theories of mixed economy - the collapse of the Weimer state in Germany and the rise of the Nazis to power- fascism in Italy.	Arunava Sinha	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit-4:</b> The World after 1945 - theories of the Cold War and the division of Europe - the emergence of the American and Soviet spheres of influence - various military and economic alliances - regional conflicts in the bi-polar world, Vietnam, Korea, Cuba, the middle east and Afghanistan.	Arunava Sinha	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam			
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>	<b>DSE: Course - I History of Bangladesh from Liberation to the present day</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> The genesis – issues of conflict between Pakistani non-Bengali elite group and the rising Bengali middle class of East Pakistan.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit 2 :</b> Political transformation in East Pakistan – emergence of linguistic nationalism since 1952 – resistance against Pakistani militarism – rise of Sheikh Mujibur Rahaman as the new mass leader – Awami League Movement, 1966 to	Ajoy Ghosh	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month

		1970 – Bangladesh liberation movement of 1971 – birth of Bangladesh in 1972.			
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit 3:</b> Bangladesh after independence – society, economy and politics.	Arunava Sinha	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit 4:</b> Foreign policy of Bangladesh – relations with India – role of Bangladesh in the SAARC and ASEAN.	Arunava Sinha	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam			5 <sup>th</sup> month
6 <sup>th</sup> Semester	<b>DSE: Course– III History of Women in India</b>	<b>Unit-1:</b> Women in the Indian tradition – different socio-religious movements in pre-colonial India and women's position re-defined.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	1 <sup>st</sup> month
		<b>Unit-2:</b> Feminism revisited in the Indian context – the women's question in 19 <sup>th</sup> century India during colonial modernization – the debates on Sati and Purdah.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> month
		Class Test			
		<b>Unit-3:</b> The nationalist resolution on the women's question – women in the freedom movement in India.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	3 <sup>rd</sup> month
		<b>Unit-4:</b> Emerging new woman in post-colonial India – women's organizations and fight against their marginalization – women in Indian literature and performing art.	Ajoy Ghosh	10	4 <sup>th</sup> month
		Class Test			
		Revision and preparation for university exam			5 <sup>th</sup> month