

Ancient History, Archaeology and Culture

D.D.U. Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur

A meeting of the Board of studies in Ancient History, Archaeology and Culture was held on Feb. 10, 2010 at 11.00 a.m. in Library Hall of the department. The following were present :

Convener :

Prof. Prem sagar Chaturvedi, Head, Department of Ancient History, Archaeology and Culture
D.D.U. Gorakhpur university, Gorakhpur.

Members :

Prof. Gorakh Nath

Prof.(Smt) Vipula Dubey

Dr. Rajawant Rao

Dr. I.S. Vishwakarma

Dr. (Smt) Rekha Chaturvedi

Dr. Shitala Prasad Singh

Dr. Dhyanendra Narain Dubey

Dr. Digvijay Nath

Dr. (Smt) Pragya Chaturvedi

Dr. H.N. Singh

Dr. Tej Pratap Shahi

The Board made the following recommendations :

1. The Board recommended for the revision of the post graduate (P.G.) syllabus.
2. The Board recommended for the implementation of Semester system at the P.G. level
3. It recommended that the P.G. syllabus will be divided into four Semesters- I, II, III and IV
4. The year/session for the implementation of the Semester system at P.G. level will be the same as decided by the University for other Departments of the Arts Faculty.
5. The Board also framed unit-wise divisions of all P.G. papers.
6. The Board recommended that there shall be four written papers of 100 marks each in each Semester.
7. It recommended for Viva-voce examinations in Semester II and Semester IV, each of 100 marks, for all the students of the those Semesters.

B.A. I
PAPER - I
Political History of India (600 BC to 550 AD)

UNIT - I

1. Political condition of India during the 6th C.BC. : Sixteen Mahajanpadas, Republican states, their constitution and decline.
2. Rise of Magadha : Factors, contributions of Haryanka, Shishunaga and Nanda Dynasties.

UNIT - II

1. Sources for reconstructing the history of the Mauryas.
2. Origin of the Mauryas.
3. Dynastic history of the Mauryas : Chandragupta, Bindusara, Ashoka, successors of Ashoka.
4. Mauryan administration.
5. Causes for the Decline of the Mauryan empire.

UNIT - III

1. Post Mauryan India : Shunga, Kanva, Mahameghavahana and Satavahana dynasties.
2. Sangam Age : political, socio-economic and cultural life.

UNIT - IV

1. Alexander's Invasion and its impact.
2. Indo-Greek rule in India with special reference to Demetrius and Menander.
3. History of the Kushanas : Early rulers, contribution of Kanishka and his successors.
4. S'aka-Kshatrapas of western India; Kshaharat dynasty (Bhoomaka, Nahapana) Kardamaka dynasty (Chashtana and Rudradamana), S'aka- Satavahana struggle.

UNIT - V

1. History of the Guptas : Original home, Chandragupta I, Samudragupta, Ramagupta, Chandragupta II, Kumargupta I, Skandgupta and Buddhagupta, causes for the decline of the dynasty.
2. Vakataka dynasty and its relations with the Imperial Guptas.

P.T.O.

Recommended Books :

1. Majumdar and Pusalkar (Ed) The Age of Imperial Unity.
2. Ray Chaudhary, H.C. Political History of Ancient India.
3. Shastri, K.A.N. The Age of the Nandas and the Mauryas.
4. Negi, J.S. Ground work of Ancient Indian History.
5. Smith, V.A. Early History of India.
6. Mookerji, R.K. Chandragupta Maurya and His Times.
7. Bhandarkar, R.D. Ashoka
8. Mookerji, R.K. Ashoka
9. Thaper, R. Ashoka and the Decline of the Mauryas.
10. Narain, A.K. The Indo-Greeks.
11. Puri, B.N. India under the Kushanas.
12. Chattopadhyaya, S. Early History of North India.
13. Goyal, S.R. The History of Imperial Guptas.
14. Majumdar and Altekari The Vakataka Gupta Age.
15. Majumdar and Pusalkar (Ed) The Classical Age.
16. राय, यू०एन० गुप्त सम्राट एवं उनका शासन काल।
17. गुप्ता, पी० एल० गुप्त साम्राज्य।
18. सिंह, राम वृक्ष प्राचीन भारतीय इतिहास एवं संस्कृति।
19. चन्द्रभानु आन्ध्र सातवाहन युग।
20. मुकर्जी, आर० के० हिन्दू सभ्यता।
21. श्रीवास्तव, के० सी० प्राचीन भारत का इतिहास।
22. पाण्डेय, रामनिहोर दक्षिण भारत का इतिहास।
23. श्रीवास्तव, हरीगोपाल प्राचीन भारत का राजनीतिक इतिहास।

B.A. I
PAPER - II
World Civilization

UNIT - I

1. Factors responsible for growth of civilization in river valleys.
2. Egyptian civilization - growth of civilization, political, social, economic and religious life of Egyptians. Art and Architecture, Science and Literature, Intellectual achievements.

UNIT - II

Mesopotamian Civilization

1. Sumerian Civilization- Political, social, economic and religious life of Sumerians, art and architecture, science and literature, legacy of Sumerian civilization.
2. Babylonian Civilization - Political, social, economic and religious life of Babylonians; Hammurabi and his code, art and architecture, science and literature, legacy.
3. Assyrian Civilization- Administration, social, economic and religious life of Assyrians.
4. Chaldean Civilization (Nebuchadrezzar) art and architecture, science and literature.

UNIT - III

1. Hittite Civilization - Salient features
2. Hebrew Civilization - Salient features
3. Chinese Civilization-Shang dynasty, salient features of Chinese civilization, Confucius, laotse.

UNIT - IV

1. Aegean Civilization, chief characteristics of Aegean civilization, Minoan culture, Crete, Mycenian culture.
2. Greek Civilization - Homer age, classical Greece, Periclese, constitutional reforms, Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, art, architecture, science and literature of civilization.

UNIT - V

1. Iranian Civilization, Darius, Cyrus, characteristics of Iranian civilization Zoroaster and his teachings.
2. Harappan civilization - Origin of Harappan culture, Town planning and characteristics of civilization, trade and commerce, religious life of Harappans.

P.T.O.

Recommended Books :

Childe, G.

Bury, G.

Wheeler

King, C.W.

Krammer, S.N.

Trucker, R.

पाण्डेय, विमल चन्द्र

पाठक, एस0 एम0

गोयल, श्रीराम

Wheeler, M

Prasad,

All chin, A.R. & B.R.

Sykes, P. N.

मिश्र, राज छत्र

Breasted,

Durant, Will

Dewy

What happened in history.

History of Greece.

The Indus Civilization.

The History of Babylon, The History of Assyria.

History Begins at Sumer.

The Great Cultural Tradition, (Vol I)

विश्व की सभ्यताएँ।

विश्व की प्राचीन सभ्यताओं का इतिहास।

विश्व की प्राचीन सभ्यताएँ।

Indian Archaeology Today.

The Conquest of civilization

The Birth of Indian Civilization

A history of Persia

प्राचीन विश्व की संस्कृतियाँ।

The conquest of Civilization

The Story of Civilization Part I (Our Oriental Heritage).

Outline History of World.

B.A. II
PAPER - I
Political History of India (550 BC to 1200 AD)

UNIT - I

1. Post Gupta kingdoms of India : Maukharis, Lafer Guptas and Maitrakas of Valabhi.
2. History of the Pushyabhuti dynasty : Prabhakarvardhan, Rajyavardhan, Harsha; his political and cultural achievements.

UNIT - II

1. Palas of Bengal : Dharmapala, Devapala and their successors.
2. Gurjara-Pratiharas : Early history, Mihir Bhoj and Mahendrapala.
3. Rashtrakutas : Early history, Dhruva I, Govinda III, Amoghvarsha I, Krishna III
4. Pala-Pratihara-Rashtrakutra (Tripartite) struggle.

UNIT -III

1. Chalukyas of Badami : Early history; Pulakesin II and his successors.
2. Pallavas of Kanchi : Early history, Mahendravarman I, Narsimhavarman and their successors.
3. Chalukya - Pallava struggle.

UNIT - IV

1. Origin of the Rajaputas.
2. History of the Chandellas with special reference to Dhanga and Vidyadhara.
3. History of the Chahamanas with special reference to Vignaraja IV and Prithiviraja III.
4. History of the Gahadavalas with special reference to Govindachandra and Jayachandra.

UNIT - V

1. History of the Paramaras with special reference to Munja and Bhoja.
2. History of the Cholas with special reference to Parantaka I, Rajaraja I, Rajendra I, Kulottunga I,
3. Chola administration.

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Recommended Books :

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| 1. Sinha, B.P. | The Decline of the Kingdom of Magadha. |
| 2. Majumdar and Pusalkar (Ed) | The Age of Imperial Unity. |
| 3. Majumdar and Pusalkar (Ed) | The Struggle for Empire. |
| 4. Tripathi, R.S. | History of Kannauja. |
| 5. Mookerjee, R.K. | Harsha |
| 6. Thakur Upendra | Hunas in Ancient India. |
| 7. Ray, H.C. | Dynastic History of Northern India . |
| 8. Vaidya, C.V. | History of Medieval Hindu Times. |
| 9. Altekar, A.S. | Rastrakutas and their times. |
| 10. Majumdar, R.C. | History of Bengal vol. I |
| 11. Banerji, R.D. | The Palas of Bengal |
| 12. Gopal, R. | The Pallavas |
| 13. Shastri, K.A.N. | History of South India. |
| 14. Dikshit | The Chalukyas of Badami. |
| 15. चटर्जी, गौरी शंकर | हर्ष । |
| 16. पाठक, विशुद्धानन्द | उत्तर भारत का राजनैतिक इतिहास । |
| 17. याज्ञदानी, जी. | दकन का इतिहास । |
| 18. मिश्र, श्याम मनोहर | दक्षिण भारत का इतिहास । |
| 19. दुबे, हरिनारायण | दक्षिण भारत का इतिहास । |
| 20. पाण्डेय, रामनिहोर | दक्षिण भारत का इतिहास । |

B.A. II
PAPER - II
History of Indian Social Thought and Polity

UNIT - I

1. Varna Vyavastha : origin, development, duties of the four varnas.
2. Ashrama Vyavastha : origin, four stages of life with special reference to Grihastha Ashrama.
3. Purusartha : *Trivarga* and *Moksha*, *purusarthay* as psycho-moral bases of the Ashramas.
4. Jati Vyavastha : origin and development, theories for the origin of caste, social mobility and nature of ancient Indian society.

UNIT - II

1. Origin and development of family.
2. Position, rights and duties of the family members (father, mother, son, daughter).
3. Forms of marriages : *aprasasta*, *prasasta*.
4. Concept of Hindu marriage.
5. Position of women in ancient Indian society during the different historical periods.
6. Salient features of early medieval society.

UNIT - III

Ancient Indian Education

1. Meaning, concept, aims and objectives.
2. Educational *samskaras*.
3. Female education.
4. Prominent educational centres : Takshashila, Nalanda, Valabhi and Vikramasila.

UNIT - IV

1. Origin, development and types of state.
2. Seven elements of state (*Saptanga*).
3. Republics in ancient India : history, constitution, causes for decline.
4. Council of ministers (*mantriparisada*). in monarchical state and its fuction.

UNIT - V

1. Revenue system in ancient india : types of taxes, principles of taxation, revenue officials and administrative machinery.
2. Concept of welfare state.
23. Guilds and guild organisation in ancient India.

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Recommended Books :

Prabhu, P.H.
Kapadia
Altekar, A.S.
Altekar, A.S.
Dutta, N.K.
Pandey, R.B.
Mookherji, R.K.
Jayaswal, K.P.
Altekar, A.S.
Majumdar, R.C.
Sharma, R.S.
जौहरी, मनोरमा
मिश्र, जयशंकर

Hindu Social organization.
Marriage and Family in India.
Position of Women in Hindu Civilization.
Education in Ancient India.
Origin and Growth of Caste in India.
Hindu Samskaras.
Ancient Indian Education.
Hindu Polity.
The State and Government in Ancient India.
Corporate Life in Ancient India.
Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India.
प्राचीन भारत में वर्ण व्यवस्था।
प्राचीन भारत का सामाजिक इतिहास।

B.A. III
PAPER I
Elements of Numismatics and Palaeography

UNIT - I

1. Origin and antiquity of coinage in ancient india : *Niska, Sataman, Karsapana, Dinar*.
2. Manufacturing techniques of coins in ancient India.
3. Punch marked coins : technique, classification, symbols, weight standard.
4. Local Coins : Panchala coins, Kaushambi coins.
5. Tribal Coins : Kuninda, Yaudheya coins.

UNIT - II

1. Indo-Greek coins : Demetrius, Eucratides, Agathocles, Menander.
2. Saka-Pahlava coins : Maues, Azes, Azilises, Gondophernes.
3. Salient features of Western Kshatrapa coins.
4. Satavahan Coins : with special reference to the coins of Gautamiputra Satakarni.

UNIT -III

1. Kusana coins : coins of Wema Kadphises and Kaniska Deities on Kushana coinage, iconography and mythology of the deities on Kusana coins-Greek and Roman deities Persian deities, Indian deities.

Relative market value of gold and silver, trade relations with the East and the West.

2. Gupta coins : King-Queen Type (Chandra Gupta-Kumardevi Type), Kacha Type, coins of Samudra Gupta, coins of Chandra Gupta II, Individual and literary merit of Gupta gold coins.

Note : Questions relating to identification and description of the coins will also be asked from the Unit I, II & III

UNIT - IV

1. Origin and antiquity of writing in India.
2. Origin and antiquity of Brahmi.
3. Origin of Kharosthi script.

UNIT - V

1. Development of Brahmi letters through different periods : Maurya-Sunga- Satavahan age, Kushana age and Gupta age.
2. Questions relating to transliteration from Brahmi to Devanagari and from Devanagari to Brahmi of Mauryan, Sunga, Kusana and Gupta inscriptions will also be asked.

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Books Recommended:

Brown, C.J.	:	The Coins of India.
Allen, John (ed.)	:	Catalogue of Coins in the British Museum (Ancient India).
Chakrabarti, S.K.	:	A Study of Ancient Indian Numismatics.
Bhandarkar, D.R.	:	Carmichael lectures on Ancient Indian Numismatics.
Raption, E.J.	:	Indian Coins.
Gupta, P.L.	:	Catalogue of Punch-Marked Coins in the Andhra Pradesh Government museum (Vol.-I)
Pandey, R.B.	:	Indian Palaeography.
Buhler, George	:	Indian Palaeography. (हिन्दी अनुवाद भारतीय पुरालिपिशास्त्र)
Dani, A.H.	:	Indian Palaeography.
Gupta, P.L.	:	Coins.
Altekar, A.S.	:	Coinage of the Gupta empire.
Allan, John	:	Catalogue of Coins in the Punjab Museum, lahore, (Vol. I) Indo-Greeks.
Sarkar, D.C. (ed.)	:	Ancient indian Indigenous Coins.
गुप्त, परमेश्वरीलाल	:	प्राचीन भारतीय मुद्राएं।
राव, राजवन्त	:	प्राचीन भारतीय मुद्राएं।
राव, राजवन्त	:	प्राचीन भारतीय लिपि, मुद्रा एवं कला।
ओझा, गौ. ही.	:	भारतीय प्राचीन लिपिमाला।
वर्मा, टी.पी.	:	प्राचीन भारतीय अभिलेख (भाग 1 एवं 2)
राय, एस. एन.	:	प्राचीन भारतीय पुराभिलेख।
गुप्ता, परमेश्वरीलाल	:	भारत के पूर्व कालिक सिक्के।

B.A. III
PAPER II
Ancient Indian Art and Architecture

UNIT - I

1. Ancient Indian paintings : Origin and development.
2. Prehistoric paintings.
3. Ajanta paintings.
4. Bagha paintings.

UNIT - II

1. Harappan architecture : Town planning, private and public buildings.
2. Mauryan architecture :
 - (i) Architecture of pataliputra.
 - (ii) Ashokan Pillars.
 - (iii) Rock-cut architecture at Barabar and Nagarjuni
3. Stupa Architecture :
 - (i) Origin and development.
 - (ii) Architectural features of Bharahut, Sanchi and Amaravati stupas.
4. Rock-cut Chaitya and Vihara : Chaityagrihas of Bhaja and Karle, Viharas of Mahayanic phase at Ajanta and Ellora.

UNIT -III

1. Temple architecture
 - (i) Gupta temples : origin and development, architectural features with special reference to temple at Devagarh.
 - (ii) Main styles : *nagara*, *besara* and *dravida*
 - (iii) Temples of north India : Groups of temples at Khajuraho (Kandariya Mahadeva). and Orissa (Konarka & Lingaraja).
 - (iv) Temples of south India : Chalukya, Rashtrakuta, Pallava and Chola temples.

UNIT - IV

1. Harappan sculptures
2. Mauryan and Shunga sculptures.
3. Kusana and Gupta sculptures : origin of Buddha image, origin of Visnu image.
4. Centres of art : Gandhara, Mathura and Sarnath.

UNIT - V

1. A brief survey of terracotta art in ancient india.
2. A brief survey of Chalukya, Chandella, Pallava and Chola sculptures.

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Books Recommended:

Agrawal, P.k.	:	Gupta Temple Architecture
Agrawal, P.K.	:	On the Sadamga Canons of Paintings.
Agrawal, V.S.	:	Indian Art.
Krishna Deo	:	Temples of India (2Vols.)
Coomarswamy, A.K.	:	Introduction to Indian Art.
Coomarswamy, A.K.	:	The Transformation of Nature in Art.
Cunningham, A.	:	The Stupa of Bharahuta.
Banerji, J.N.	:	Elements of Hindu Iconography.
अग्रवाल, पी. के.	:	प्राचीन भारतीय कला एवं वास्तु।
अग्रवाल, वी. एस.	:	भारतीय कला।
उपाध्याय, भागवत शरण	:	भारतीय कला का इतिहास।
उपाध्याय, वासुदेव	:	स्तूप, गुहा एवं मंदिर।
काला, एस.सी.	:	सिन्धु सभ्यता।
पाण्डेय, जयनारायण	:	भारतीय कला।
गुप्त, जगदीश	:	भारतीय कला।
गैरोला, वाचस्पति	:	भारतीय चित्रकला।
देशपाण्डेय, एम.एम.	:	अजन्ता।
राय, कृष्णदास	:	भारतीय चित्रकला।
श्रीवास्तव, ए.एल.	:	भारतीय कला।
राय, उदयनारायण	:	भारतीय कला।
उपाध्याय, उदयनारायण एवं तिवारी, गौतम	:	भारतीय स्थापत्य एवं कला।
श्रीनिवासन, के. आर.	:	दक्षिण भारत के मंदिर।
मिश्र, रामानाथ	:	प्राचीन भारतीय मूर्तिकला।

B.A. III
PAPER III
History of Indian Religious Thoughts

UNIT - I

1. Concept of *dharma*.
2. Main elements of the Harappan religion.
3. Religious and philosophical ideas of the Vedas.
4. Vedic pantheon.
5. Concept of *yajna* and *rita* in the Vedas.

UNIT - II

1. Vaisnavism
 - (i) Origin and development.
 - (ii) Theory of Incarnation.
 - (iii) Bhagavata and Pancharatra sects.
2. Saivism
 - (i) Origin and development.
 - (ii) Saiva sects : Pasupata, Kashmir Saivism and Virasaiva,
3. Saktism.
 - (i) Origin and development.
 - (ii) Characteristic features.

UNIT -III

1. Buddhism
 - (i) Origin
 - (ii) life and teachings of Buddha.
 - (iii) Four Noble Truths.
 - (iv) Main tenets of Mahayana.
 - (v) Differences between Hinayana and Mahayana.
2. Jainism
 - (i) Origin and Antiquity.
 - (ii) Twenty four Tirthankaras with special reference to Rishabhanatha and Parsvanatha.
 - (iii) Life and teachings of Mahavira.
 - (iv) Digambara and Svetambara sects.

UNIT - IV

1. Minor religious traditions
 - (i) Sun worship.
 - (ii) Skanda Karttikeya
 - (iii) Ganesha
2. Bhakti movement
 - (i) Socio religious background of its origin.
 - (ii) Characteristic features.
 - (iii) Alwar and Nayanarsaints.
 - (iv) Contributions of Sankara, Ramanuja, Nimbarka, Vallabha, Chaitanya, Ramananda, Kabir and Mira.

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UNIT - V

1. Main tenets of Islam.
2. Sufism, its Characteristic features and contributions of Moinnuddin Chisti, Baba Farid and Nizamuddin Oliya.
3. Sikhism- Contributions of the ten Gurus.
4. Socio- religious reforms of the 19th century with special reference to Brahma Samaja and Arya Samaja.

Books Recommended:

Max, Weber	:	The Religion of India
Hopkins, E.W.	:	The Religions of India.
Keith, A.B.	:	Religion and Philosophy of Vedas and Upanishadas.
Chattopdhyaya, S.	:	Evolution of Hindu Sects.
Woodroffe, Sir John	:	Sakti and Sakta.
Chatterji, G.C.	:	Kashmir saivism.
Pathak, V.S.	:	History of Saiva Cults in Northern India.
Ayer, C.V.B.N.	:	Origin and early History of Saivism in South India.
Pande, G.C.	:	Studies in the Origin of Buddhism
Dutta, N.	:	Early Monastic Buddhism, Vols. I & II
Thomas, E.J.	:	Life of Buddha as Legend and History.
Dutta, N.	:	Aspects of Mahayana and its Relation to Hinayana.
Suzuki, D.T.	:	Outlines of Mahayana Buddhism.
Ray, V.C.	:	Life of Mahavir.
Pandey, L.P.	:	Sun Worship in Ancient India.
Sharma, Krishna	:	Bhakti and Bhakti movement.
Pande, Susmita	:	Birth of Bhakti and its relation to Art.
Goswami, Bhagavat, Kumar	:	Bhakti Cult in Ancient India.
Singh, Khajan	:	The History and Philosophy of Sikhism.
Macaullife	:	The Sikh religion.
Tarachand	:	Influence of Islam on Indian culture.
Yusuf, Hussain	:	Glimpses of medieval Indian culture.
Farquhar, J.N.	:	Modern religious movements in India.
थपलियाल, के. के.	:	सिन्धु सभ्यता।
त्रिपाठी, गयाचरण	:	वैदिक देवता (दो भागों में)
सूर्यकान्त	:	वैदिक देवशास्त्र।
जायसवाल, सुवीरा	:	वैष्णव धर्म का उदभव एवं विकास।
उपाध्याय, बलदेव	:	वैष्णव सम्प्रदायों का साहित्य एवं सिद्धान्त।
उपाध्याय, बलदेव	:	भागवत सम्प्रदाय।
भण्डारकर, आर. जी.	:	वैष्णव, शैव एवं अन्य धार्मिक मत।
मिश्र, रामप्यारे	:	वैष्णव पात्रचरित्र आगम (कतिपय पक्ष)
यदुवंशी, जे.	:	शैवमत।
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पाण्डे, गोविन्द चन्द्र	:	बौद्ध धर्म के विकास का इतिहास।
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श्रीवास्तव, ए. एल.	:	मध्यकालीन भारतीय संस्कृति।
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कनिंघम	:	सिखों का इतिहास।
शर्मा, सुमन	:	मध्यकालीन भक्ति आन्दोलन का सामाजिक विवेचन।
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