



DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY



BEJOY NARAYAN MAHAVIDYALAYA
The University of Burdwan

UNIT / LESSON PLAN

Under Semester With CBCS

Under Graduate (U.G.): (Honors)
Subject: History

Semester: I

Core Course Code Paper: CC Paper - 2
Social Formation and Cultural Pattern of the Ancient World

Total Credits: – VI
Total Marks: 75 (60+ 10+ 5)

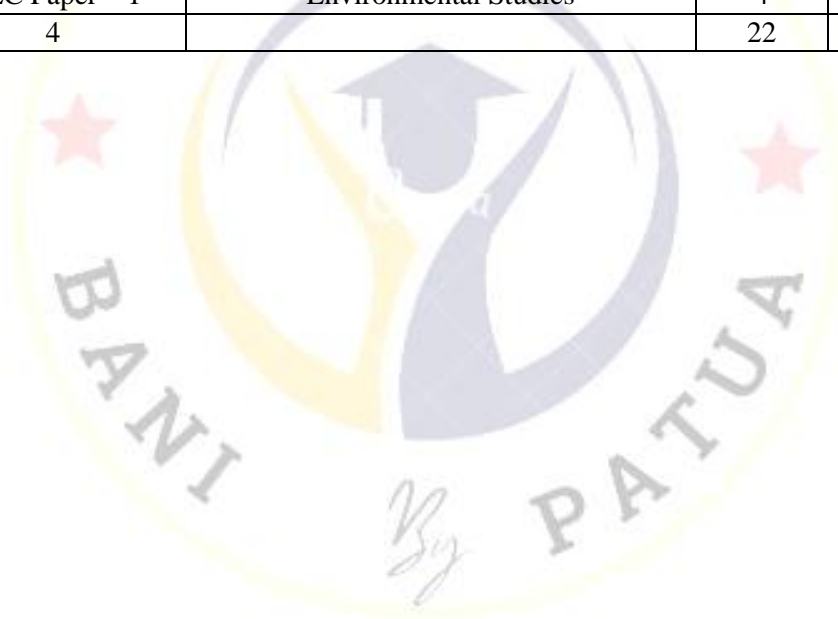
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Semester	Course Offered	Name of the Course/ Paper	Credit	Full Marks
SEMESTER - I	CC Paper - 1	History of India – I (From Earliest Times to 600 AD)	6	75
	CC Paper - 2	Social Formations & the Cultural Pattern of the Ancient World	6	75
	Generic Elective (GE) (Students of History Hons. should take Generic Elective Paper–I from Other Disciplines) However Hons. Students belonging to Other Disciplines have to Take the Following GE Paper if they Choose History as Generic Elective Subject)			
	GE Paper - 1	History of India (From Earliest Times to 300 AD)	6	75
	Ability Enhancement Courses (AEC)			
	AEC Paper – 1	Environmental Studies	4	100
Total	4		22	325





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Credit / Module No – 01: Evolution of Human Society		
Credit Contents		
Module – 1: Evolution of Human Society		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pre-History and Sources 2. Divisions in to Various Periods 3. Theories on Evolution and Growth of Civilizations – (i) Charles Darwin; (ii) Thomas Henry Huxley; (iii) Arnold Toynbee, (iv) V. Gordon Childe 4. Growth of Archaeological Studies 5. Evolution of Human Body and Mind – From Ape to Modern Man 6. Paleolithic and Mesolithic Society and Cultures 		
Credit / Module Objectives: - Evolution of Human Society		
Lecture	Topics of Discussion	Remarks
Lecture – 1	Pre-History and Sources	
Lecture – 2	Divisions in to Various Periods	
Lecture – 3	Growth of Archaeological Studies	
Lecture – 4	Evolution (Biological) of Human Society	
Lecture – 5	Theories on Evolution and Growth of Civilizations – (i) Charles Darwin	
Lecture – 6	Theories on Evolution and Growth of Civilizations – (ii) Thomas Henry Huxley	
Lecture – 7	Theories on Evolution and Growth of Civilizations – (iii) Arnold Toynbee	
Lecture – 8	Theories on Evolution and Growth of Civilizations (iv) V. Gordon Childe	
Lecture – 9	Paleolithic Society and Cultures	
Lecture – 10	Mesolithic Society and Cultures	
Programme Specific Outcomes Evolution of Human Society		
Credit / Module No – 02: Food Production		
Credit Contents		
Module – 2: Food Production		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Domestication of Plants and Animals 2. Neolithic Cultures – Beginnings of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry 3. Early Agriculture in Different (Regions) Societies Across the World 4. Consequences of Agriculture (on Society and Economy) 		
Module – 2: Food Production		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Domestication of Plants and Animals 2. Neolithic Cultures – Beginnings of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry 3. Early Agriculture in Different (Regions) Societies Across the World 4. Consequences of Agriculture (on Society and Economy) 		
Credit / Module Objectives: - Food Production		
Lecture	Topics of Discussion	Remarks
Lecture – 1	Food Production	
Lecture – 2	Neolithic Cultures – Beginnings of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry	



Lecture – 3	Early Agriculture in Different (Regions) Societies Across the World	
Programme Specific Outcomes- Food Production		
Credit / Module No – 03: Bronze Age Civilizations		
Credit Contents		
Module – 3: Bronze Age Civilizations		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Survey of Chalcolithic Cultures 2. Bronze Age Civilizations: Main Features 3. Mesopotamia (up to the Akkadian Empire) 4. Egyptian Civilization (Old Kingdom) 5. Shang Civilization in China 6. Any One of the following (Economy, Social Stratification, State Structure, Religion) – (i) China (Shang); (ii) Eastern Mediterranean (Minoan & Mycenaean); (iii) Mesomerica – Maya, Aztec, Inca 		
Module – 3: Bronze Age Civilizations		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Survey of Chalcolithic Cultures 2. Bronze Age Civilizations: Main Features 3. Mesopotamia (up to the Akkadian Empire) 4. Egyptian Civilization (Old Kingdom) 5. Shang Civilization in China 6. Any One of the following (Economy, Social Stratification, State Structure, Religion) – (i) China (Shang); (ii) Eastern Mediterranean (Minoan & Mycenaean); (iii) Mesomerica – Maya, Aztec, Inca 		
Credit / Module Objectives: - Bronze Age Civilizations		
Lecture	Topics of Discussion	Remarks
Lecture – 1	A Survey of Chalcolithic Cultures	
Lecture – 2	Bronze Age Civilizations: Main Features	
Lecture – 3	Mesopotamia (up to the Akkadian Empire)	
Lecture – 4	Egyptian Civilization (Old Kingdom)	
Lecture – 5	Shang Civilization in China	
Lecture – 6	Any One of the following (Economy, Social Stratification, State Structure, Religion) – (i) China (Shang); (ii) Eastern Mediterranean (Minoan & Mycenaean); (iii) Mesomerica – Maya, Aztec, Inca	
Programme Specific Outcomes - Bronze Age Civilizations		
Credit / Module No – 04: Iron Age		
Credit Contents		
Module – 4: Iron Age		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nomadic Groups in Central and West Asia and Europe 2. Debate on the Advent of Iron and its Implications 3. Iron Age Civilizations – Hittites and Etruscans 		
Module – 4: Iron Age		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nomadic Groups in Central and West Asia and Europe 2. Debate on the Advent of Iron and its Implications 3. Iron Age Civilizations – Hittites and Etruscans 		
Credit / Module Objectives: - Iron Age		



Lecture	Topics of Discussion	Remarks
Lecture – 1	Iron Age	
Lecture – 2	Nomadic Groups in Central Asia	
Lecture – 3	Nomadic Groups in West Asia	
Lecture – 4	Nomadic Groups in Europe	
Lecture – 5	Debate on the Advent of Iron and its Implications	
Lecture – 6	Iron Age Civilizations – Hittites	
Lecture – 7	Iron Age Civilizations –Etruscans	
Programme Specific Outcomes - Iron Age		
Credit / Module No – 05: Formation of Empires		
Credit Contents		
Module – 5: Formation of Empires		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Formation of Empires; Assyrian and Babylonian 2. Formation of Empire: Persian Empire and Sassanids Empire 		
Module – 5: Formation of Empires		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Formation of Empires; Assyrian and Babylonian 2. Formation of Empire: Persian Empire and Sassanids Empire 		
Credit / Module Objectives: - Formation of Empires		
Lecture	Topics of Discussion	Remarks
Lecture – 1	Formation of Empires	
Lecture – 2	Formation of Empires; Assyrian and Babylonian	
Lecture – 3	Formation of Empire: Persian Empire and Sassanids Empire	
Programme Specific Outcomes - Formation of Empires		
Credit / Module No – 06: Ancient Greece (Polis)		
Credit Contents		
Module – 6: Ancient Greece (Polis)		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Polis in Ancient Greece: Origin, Features, Nature and Class Composition 2. Athens 3. Sparta 4. Decline of the Polis 5. Wars in Hellenic World – Greco-Persian War and Peloponnesian War 6. Slave Society in Greece: Polity and Economy 7. Greek Cultural Traditions and Religion: Sophists, Socrates, Games, Drama, Art and Architecture, Greek Gods 8. Hellenic Literature and Philosophy 9. Greek Sports – Olympic 		
Module – 6: Ancient Greece (Polis)		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Polis in Ancient Greece: Origin, Features, Nature and Class Composition 2. Athens 3. Sparta 4. Decline of the Polis 5. Wars in Hellenic World – Greco-Persian War and Peloponnesian War 6. Slave Society in Greece: Polity and Economy 		



7. Greek Cultural Traditions and Religion: Sophists, Socrates, Games, Drama, Art and Architecture, Greek Gods		
8. Hellenic Literature and Philosophy		
9. Greek Sports – Olympic		
Credit / Module Objectives: - Ancient Greece (Polis)		
Lecture	Topics of Discussion	Remarks
Lecture – 1	Ancient Greece (Polis)	
Lecture – 2	Polis in Ancient Greece: Origin, Features, Nature and Class Composition	
Lecture – 3	Athens	
Lecture – 4	Sparta	
Lecture – 5	Decline of the Polis	
Lecture – 6	Wars in Hellenic World – Greco-Persian War and Peloponnesian War	
Lecture – 7	Slave Society in Greece: Polity and Economy	
Lecture – 8	Greek Cultural Traditions and Religion: Sophists, Socrates, Games, Drama, Art and Architecture, Greek Gods	
Lecture – 9	Hellenic Literature and Philosophy	
Lecture – 10	Greek Sports – Olympic	
Lecture – 11	Rise of Macedon and Hellenistic Culture	
Programme Specific Outcomes - Ancient Greece (Polis)		

