# Maharshi Dayanand University Rohtak



Ordinances, Syllabus and Courses of Reading for

B. A History (Hons.) I & II Semester Examination

Session 2011-2012

# Scheme of Examination of B.A.(Hons) Examination in History 2011-12

# B.A.(Hons.) Ist Year Ist Semester

Name of the paper	Max.marks	Theory	Internal	Time
			Assessmen	ıt
Paper-I-History of India				
(From earliest times to	100	80	20	3 Hrs.
317 A.D.)				
Paper-II-History of India				
(From C.317 A.D. to				
1200 A.D.)	100	80	20	3 Hrs.
IInd Semester				
Paper-III-Ancient World I	80	20	3 Hrs.	
Paper-IV-Medieval World History 100		80	20	3 Hrs.

# B.A.(Hons.)Ist Year 2011-12 Semester-I

# Paper-I-History of India (from earliest times to 317 A.D.)

Max. Marks :80 Internal Assessment : 20

**Note:** The paper setter shall set nine questions in all i.e. two questions from each unit and one compulsory question (Q.No. 9) containing eight short answer type sub questions of two marks each covering entire syllabus. The candidate shall attempt five questions in all selecting one question from each unit and the compulsory question. All questions shall carry equal marks.

#### Unit-I

- 1. Early notions of History, sources and tools of historical reconstruction.
- 2. Prehistoric hunters and gatherers.(Palaeolithic & Mesolithic Age)
- 3. The advent of food production (Neolithic Age)
- 4. Introduction of metals and craft specialization(Chalcolithic Age)

#### Unit-II

- 5. Harappan civilization: main features
- 6. The Vedic Age: Social, Economic and Political life
- 7. Advent of Iron and Painted Grey Ware Culture

#### Unit-III

- 8. Second urbanization and territorial states
- 9. Age of reason and revolt: Jainism and Buddhism
- 10. Emergence of the First Empire: Rise of Magadhan Empire and the Mauryas.

#### **Unit-IV**

11. Sangam Age

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12. The Satavahanas

13. The Sungas

14. The Kushanas

**Recommended Books:** 

Arthur Marwick: Nature of History(also in Hindi), Macmillan,

London, 1984

B.N. Mukherjee: The Rise and Fall of the Kushan Empire, South

Asia Books, New Delhi, 1988

B.N.Puri : India under the Kushanas, Munshiram

Manoharlal, Delhi 1968

D.D.Koshambi(i): An Introduction to the Study of Indian History,

Popular Prakashan, Bombay, 1956

D.N. Jha & : Prachin Bharat ka Itihas, Hindi Madhyam

K.M. Shrimali (ed.) Karyanvaya Nideshalay, Delhi Uni. 2009

G.L.Possehal (ed.): Harappan Civilization: A contemporary

perspectives, Oxford University Press, New

Delhi, 1975

G. Yazdani : Daccan ka Prachin Itihas, Motilal Banarsidass,

Delhi, 1995

K.A.N. Sastri : A Comprehensive History of India, Vol. I, II,

Delhi, 1987

K.C. Jain : Prehistroy & Protohistory of India, Agamkala

Prakashan, New Delhi, 1979

K.K. Thapalyal : Sindhu Sabhyata, Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthan,

& S.P. Shukla Lucknow, 1976

R.K. Mukharjee: Chandragupta Maurya and his times, Motilal

Banarsidass, Delhi, 1966

R. Kochar : The Vedic People, Orient Longman, New Delhi,

1999

Romila Thapar : Ashoka and the Decline of the Mauryas,

Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2010

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: Interpreting Ancient India, Granth Silpi, New

Delhi, 1985

: Puravakalin Bharat, Hindi Madhyam Karyan-

vay Nideshalay, Delhi University, 1967

: Recent Persepectives of Early India, Oxford

University Press, New Delhi, 1995

R.S. Sharma : Material Culture and Social formation in Ancient

India (also in Hindi), Macmillan, Delhi, 1983

: Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in

Ancient India, Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi, 1996

Shereen Ratnagar: Understanding Harappa, Tulika, New Delhi,

2001

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Paper-II-History of India (from c. 317 A.D. to 1200 A.D.)

Max. Marks: 80

**Internal Assessment: 20** 

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Unit-I

1. Rise of Gupta Empire

2. The Rise of the Pushpabhutis, Maukharis and later Guptas.

**Unit-II** 

3. Chalukyas of Badami

4. Pallavas & Cholas

**Unit-III** 

5. Palas, Pratiharas & Rashtrakutas

6. Concept of Early Medieval India

**Unit-IV** 

7. Emergence of the Rajput States : Chahamanas, Paramaras, Gahadwalas

8. Arab and Turkish invasions

9. Shahis of Ohind

**Recommended Books:** 

B.D.Chattopadhyaya: The Making of Early Medieval India, Asia

Book Depot, Calcutta, 1976

B.N.Puri : History of the Gurjara Pratiharas, Central

Asia Book Depot, Bombay, 1957

D.Devahuti : Harsha : A Political Study, Oxford

University Press, New Delhi, 1970

G. Yazdani : Daccan ka Prachin Itihas, Motilal

Banarsidass, Delhi, 1995

K.A.N. Shastri : A Comprehensive History of India Vol.I,II.,

Delhi, 1987

The Cholas, University of Madras, 1975

R.C.Majumdar : The Age of Imperial Kanauj, Popular

Prakashan, Bombay, 1995

R.D.Banerjee : The Age of the Imperial Guptas,

Vishavavidalaya Prakashan, Banaras, 1960

Romila Thapar(ed): Recent Perspectives of Early India, Oxford

University Press, New Delhi, 1995

Vishuddhanand : Uttar Bharat ka Rajnitik Itihas, Uttar

Pathak Pradesh Hindi Samiti, Lucknow, 1973

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# **Paper-III-Ancient World History**

Max. Marks: 80

**Internal Assessment: 20** 

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#### Unit-I

- 1. What is Prehistory? Its aims & methods
- 2. Pleistocene Age: Climatic fluctuations
- 3. Stone Age tools, their techniques

#### **Unit-II**

- 4. Palaeolithic Age: hunting stage
- 5. Mesolithic Age: hunting-gathering stage
- 6. Advent of food production & settled life

#### **Unit-III**

- 7. Chalcolithic Age
- 8. Bronze Age Civilizations:
  - a)Sumer
  - b) Egypt
  - c) Harappan Civilization

#### **Unit-IV**

- 9. Iron Age Cultures:
  - a)Greek
  - b)Roman
  - c) Vedic Civilization

#### **Recommended Books:**

Amar Farooqui : Prachin aur Madhyakaleen Samajik Sanrachana

aur Sanskritiya, Tr. by Shahid Akhtar, Granth

Shilpi, New Delhi, 2003

Brian M. Fagan : People of the Earth- An Introduction to World

Prehistory, Pearson Education, London, 1997

D.Dudley : Roman Society, M.E. Sharpe Pub., New York,

1992

G.Clark : World Prehistory in New Perspectives,

Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1976

J.Boardnam : Oxford History of the Classical World, Oxford

University Press, New York, 1986

M.I.Finley : The Ancient Greeks, Mathue, Pub., London,

1963

: The Ancient Economy, Gearge Allen and Anwin,

London, 1967

Perry Anderson Passage from Antiquity to Feudalism, Gearge

Allen and Anwin, London, 1974

Shriram Goyal : Prachin Vishva ki Sabhyataein, Vishvavidhalaya

Prakashan Varanasi, 2002

S.Stuart : Pre Historical Agriculture, Oxford University

Press, Oxford, 1996

T.G.H.James : An Introduction to Ancient Egypt, Cambridge

University Press, Cambridge, 1993

V.Gorden Child: What Happened in History, Penguin, 1942

Will. Durant : Study of Civilization : Classical Greece and early

Rome, Hurst, New York, 1953

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### Paper-IV-Medieval World

Max. Marks: 80

**Internal Assessment: 20** 

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#### Unit-I

1. Concept of Medieval World; historical concepts

2. Theories of the origin of Feudalism in Europe and transition

3. Manorial system; Serfdom

#### Unit-II

4. Formation of Church; Role of Church; State and Society

5. Technological innovations

#### **Unit-III**

6. Trade, Commerce and Urban centers

7. Theories on the decline of Feudalism

8. Pre-Islamic Society

### **Unit-IV**

9. The Uammayads

10. Abbasids and the Intellectual contribution of Islam

## **Recommended Books:**

Amar Farooqui : Prachin aur Madhyakalin Samajik

Sanrachana aur Sanskritiya, Tr. by Shahid Akhtar, Granth Shilpi, New Delhi, 2003

Balmukund Virotam: Madhyakaleen Europe ka Itihas, Kitab Mahal,

Allahabad, 1986

G. Gourquin : Lordship and Feudalism in Middle Ages, PICA

Press, New York, 1976

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Harbans Mukhia: The Feudalism Debate (also in Hindi), Rajkamal

Prakashan, New Delhi, 2000

Henry Pirenne : Social and Economic History of Medieval

Europe, Cambridge University Press,

Cambridge, 2009

K.P. Sahu : Islam : Udbhav aur Vikas, Rajkamal Prakashan,

New Delhi, 1992

Lapidas Ira : Muslim Cities in the Later Middle Ages,

Marvin Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1967

Lynn White Jr. : Medieval Technology and Social Change, W.H.

Allen Company, London, 1964

M.M. Postan : Medieval Economy and Society, Oxford

University Press, London, 1970

: Medieval Trade and Finance, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2002

Perry Anderson : Passage from Antiquity to Feudalism, Verso

Pub., London, 1996

P.K. Hitti : History of the Arabs, Macmillan, Delhi 1968

P.M.Holat(ed.) : The Cambridge History of Islam Vol.I,

Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1970

R.H.C. Davis : A History of Europe from constantine to Saint

Louis, Longman, New York, 1970

T. Boardmann : Oxford History of the Classical World, Mathue

Prakashan, New York, 1972