

U.G. 4th SEMESTER SYLLABUS
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
COTTON UNIVERSITY

PAPER : HST401C

HISTORY OF INDIA (16th to 18th Century AD)
(Credits: 4+1+0=5)

This Course is primarily concerned to

- Examine the establishment and expansion of the Mughal state.
- To study the imperial structure, socio-economic conditions of the period.

Total no. of lectures- 64

<u>Unit – 1</u>	Sources and Historiography	16
1.1	Historiography : Different Approaches.	
<u>Unit – 2</u>	The Mughal Empire	16
2.1	Foundation of the Mughal Empire : Mughal-Afghan Contest – Babur, Humayun and Sher Shah.	
2.2	Territorial Expansion and Consolidation of the Mughal Empire : Akbar, Jahangir, Shahjahan and Aurangzeb.	
2.3	Evolution of Administrative System : Mansab and Jagir, Mughal Nobility, Theories of Kingship.	
2.4	State and Religion : Akbar and Sul i Kul, Relation with Sikhs, Religious Policy of Aurangzeb towards different religious groups and institutions.	
<u>Unit – 3</u>		16
3.1	Rajput States and Rajput Mughal Relations	
3.2	Maratha Power under Shivaji and his administration	
3.3	Decline of Mughal Power : Historiographical Debates; Jat and Satnami Revolts, Jagirdaari Crisis and Successor States.	
<u>Unit – 4</u>		16
4.1	Agrarian and Revenue Relations : Zamindars and Peasants	
4.2	Urban and New Trade Centres	
4.3	Art, Architecture, Music and Painting	

Essential Readings :

1. Subramaniam, Sanjay and Alam, Mujaffar : *The Muighal State 1526-1750, 1998 Oxford University Press.*
2. Roychoudhuri, Tapan and Irfan Habib : *Cambridge Economic History of India, Vol.1, 1982, Orient Blackswan.*
3. Habib, Irfan : *Agrarian System of Mughal India 1526-1707, 2000, Oxford University, Press.*
4. Ali, Ather : *Studies in Polity, Ideas, Society and Culture, 2006, Oxford University Press.*
5. Richards, F : *The Mughal Empire, 1995, Cambridge University Press.*

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HISTORY OF EUROPE (17th to 20th Century AD)
(Credits: 4+1+0=5)

Course Objectives: The objective of this paper is to acquaint the students with the social, political and economic transformations that occurred in Europe from the 17th to the 20th Century:

Total No. of lectures- 64

- Unit-1: New Economy** **12**
- 1.1 17th century European Crisis: economic, social and political dimensions
 - 1.2 Enclosure Movement in England
 - 1.3 Agrarian Revolution
 - 1.4 Mercantilism and European Companies, the new mercantile companies
- Unit-2: The 18th Century** **13**
- 2.1 Structure of Society and Politics in the 18th Century
 - 2.2 Parliamentary Monarchy
 - 2.3 18th Century Economy
 - 2.4 Industrial Revolution in England
- Unit-3. Liberal Democracy and New Nation State** **13**
- 3.1 Parliamentary Democracy and Civil Liberties in Britain.
 - 3.2 Protest during 'early capitalism: food riots in France and England: Luddites and Chartism.
 - 3.3 Democratic Experiments: German Social Democracy & Christian Democracy.
 - 3.4 New Nation-State: Germany and Italy
- Unit-4: Imperialism, War, and Crisis: c. 1880 - 1939** **13**
- 4.1 Theories and mechanisms of imperialism; growth of militarism; Power blocks and alliances: expansion of European empires - War of 1914 - 1918.
 - 4.2 The post - 1919 World Order: economic crises, the Great Depression and Recovery.
 - 4.3 Fascism and Nazism.
 - 4.4 The Spanish Civil War.
 - 4.5 Origins of the Second World War.

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Unit-5: Cultural and Intellectual Developments since mid 19th century	13
5.1 Changing contexts: Notions of Culture, Creation of a new public sphere and mass media, mass education - extension of literacy.	
5.2 Creation of new cultural forms: from Romanticism to Abstract Art.	
5.3 Major intellectual trends	
5.5 Darwin and Feud.	
5.6 Culture and the making of ideologies: Constructions of Race, Class and Gender, Ideologies of Empire	

ESSENTIAL READINGS :

- Cameron, Euan (ed), *Early Modern Europe: An Oxford History*, OUP, 2001
- Dobb, Maurice, *Studies in the Development of Capitalism*. 1978, Routledge.
- Aston, T.H. and Philipin, C.H.E. (eds), *The Brenner Debate: Agrarian Class Structure and Economic Development in Pre-Industrial Europe*, Cambridge University Press. 2005.
- Evans, J, *The Foundations of a Modern State in 19th Century Europe*
- Hobsbawm, E.J, *Nation and Nationalism*. 1990. Cambridge University Press

PAPER : HST403C

HISTORY OF ASSAM : STATE AND POLITY
(Earliest Times to 18th Century)

(Credits: 4+1+0=5)

- This course intends to acquaint students with the political developments of the Brahmaputra Valley in the pre modern period.
- The focus of the study will be on the socio economic and political processes from the early period till the medieval period.

Total No. of lectures- 64

Unit – 1	Geographical Setting; Migration, Archaeological Evidences	12
Unit – 2	Outlines of Early State Formations	13
2.1	The Kamarupa State	
2.2	Polity	
2.3	Administration	

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Unit – 3	The Ahom State Formation	13
3.1	Sukapha and Ahom State	
3.2	Expansion of the Ahom State : 16 th and 17 th Century	
3.3	Ahom and Mughal Political Relations	
3.4	Ahom State and Relationship with Hill Areas	
Unit – 4	Other State Formation in Assam	13
4.1	Chutiya State Formation	
4.2	Dimacha State Formation : Phases and Transformation	
4.3	Koch Kingdom	
4.4	Chieftains and Principalities.	
Unit – 5	Political Development in the 18th Century	13
5.1	Politics in the first half of the 18 th Century	
5.2	Crisis of the Ahom State : Moamoria Uprisings	

Readings :

1. Barpujari, H.K. ed : *The Comprehensive History of Assam, Vol. I, II and III, 1992, Publication Board Assam.*
2. Choudhury, P.C. : *History of Civilization of the people of Assam to the Twelfth Century A.D., 1959, Guwahati.*
3. Lahiri, Nayanjot : *Pre-Ahom Assam, 1991, Munshiram Manoharlal.*
4. Guha, Amelandu : *Medieval and Early Colonial Assam : Society, Polity and Economy, 1991, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences.*
5. Bhuyan, S.K. : *Anglo-Assamese Relations, 1974, Lawyers Books Stall.*
6. Devi, L. : *Ahom Tribal Relations, 1968, Assam Book Depot, Calcutta.*
7. Barua, S.L. : *Last Days of the Ahom Monarchy, Munshiram Manoharlal.*

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(Generic Elective)

PAPER : HST404G

WORLD POLITICS (1945-1990)

(Credits: 4+0+0=4)

Objectives:

- The Course will help the students in understanding the impact of the Cold War in Europe, Asia and America.
- The Course also intends to acquaint the students with the major developments in the diplomatic arena on matters pertaining to Disarmament and negotiating rival alliance systems.

Total no. of lectures- 64

Unit-1:	History, Politics, Ideology and Historiography of Cold War	8
Unit-2:	Cold War in Europe : The Berlin Crisis	8
Unit-3:	Cold War in Asia and Latin America – Korean War, Vietnam War, West Asia, Formation of SEATO, South Asia, Cuban Crisis, Chile	8
Unit-4:	Sino-Soviet Relations : From Alliance to Antagonism	
Unit-5:	Coming of the Detente – Shanghai Communism Nuclear Disarmament	8
Unit-6:	The Non Aligned Movement	8
Unit-7:	Islamism, Iran, Afghanistan (1978-89)	8
Unit-8:	Collapse of Communism in Eastern Europe and the Breakup of Soviet Union	8

ESSENTIAL READINGS :

1. Calvocoressi, Peter (2008), *World Politics since 1945*, Longman Publishing Group
2. Goldstein, Joshua (2009), *International Relations*, Pearson
3. Hobsbawm, Eric (1995), *Age of Extremes*, Abacus
4. Lowe, Norman (1997), *Mastering World History*, Macmillan India
