

## **SYLLABUS (CBCS) FOR F. Y. B. A. HISTORY (w.e. from June, 2022)**

**Academic Year 2022-2023**

**Class : F.Y. B. A. (Semester- I)**

**Paper Code: UAHS111**

**Paper Gen. - I**

**Credit : 3**

**Title of Paper : Early India : Part I**

**No. of lectures: 48**

### **Objectives:**

The history of Early India is a crucial part of Indian history. It is a base for understanding the entire Indian history. The course is aimed at helping the student to understand the history of early India from the prehistoric times to the age of the Mauryas. It attempts to highlight the factors and forces behind the rise, growth and spread of civilization and culture of India along with the dynastic history. It also attempts to help the students to understand the contribution of Early Indians to polity, art, literature, philosophy, religion and science and technology. It also aims to foster the spirit of enquiry among the students by studying the major developments in early Indian history.

### **Learning outcomes :-**

By studying this paper, students will

1. Get acquainted with the sources of early Indian history.
2. Know about the early civilizations in India.
3. Understand the socio-religious and economic transformations during the 6th Century A.D.

### **Unit I: Early India: Sources and Prehistory**

**[12]**

- (a) Importance of Early History
- (b) Sources and Tools of historical reconstruction – Archaeology (Material remains), Epigraphy (Inscriptions), Numismatics (Coins), Literary Sources, Foreign Accounts
- (c) Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic and Chalcolithic Cultures: A Brief Review

### **Unit II: Harappan Culture: Bronze Age Civilization**

**[12]**

- (a) Geographical Extent, Town Planning, Trade, Religious Practices
- (b) Art, Crafts and Technology: Pottery, Seals, Beads, Images, Terracotta Figurines  
Metallurgy, Script and Decline

**Unit III: Vedic Culture, Religious Protest: Jainism and Buddhism** [12]

- (a) Vedic and Later Vedic Culture: Original home, Tribal Polity, Social Divisions, Rituals and Philosophy
- (b) Jainism and Buddhism: Causes of Origin, Doctrines, Contributions and Importance

**Unit IV: Emergence of the Mahajanpadas and the Age of the Mauryas** [12]

- (a) The Mahajanpadas, Rise and Growth of the Magadhan Empire
- (b) The Age of the Mauryas: Chandragupta, Ashoka and his policy of Dhamma
- (c) The Mauryan Administration, Economy, Decline and Significance

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## **SYLLABUS (CBCS) FOR F. Y. B. A. HISTORY (w.e. from June, 2022)**

**Academic Year 2022-2023**

**Class : F.Y. B. A. (Semester- II)**

**Paper Code: UAHS 121**

**Paper Gen. - I**

**Credit : 3**

**Title of Paper : Early India : Part II**

**No. of lectures: 48**

### **Objectives:**

The history of India after the Mauryas is very important to understand the developments in early India after the Mauryas, which finally led to the transition to medieval India. The course is aimed at introducing the students to the developments in different parts of India through a brief study of regional kingdoms up to the tenth century C.E. It attempts to highlight the consequences of the foreign invasions, particularly on the polity, economy, society and art and architecture. The attempt is also to instill the spirit of enquiry among the students.

### **Learning outcomes :**

By studying this paper, students will

1. Know the early empires of ancient India.
2. Understand various developments in South India in ancient time.

### **Unit I: Central Asian Contacts and the Age of the Shung-Satvahanas [12]**

- (a) The Indo-Greeks, The Shakas, The Parthians, The Kushanas: Economy, Society, Religion and Culture
- (b) The Age of Shung-Satvahanas: Polity and Administration, Society, Economy, Culture

### **Unit II: Early History of South India [12]**

- (a) Period of Sangam Literature –Society and Culture, early polities
- (b) Economy: Towns, Trade and Crafts

### **Unit III: North India: Gupta and Harshvardhan**

[12]

- (a) The Gupta Empire – Brief Political History, Administration, Society, Trade, Science and Technology
- (b) Harshvardhan: Administration, Religion, Education

### **Unit IV: Regional Kingdoms: A Brief History**

[12]

- (a) The Chalukyas, Pallavas, Pandya - Struggle for Supremacy over Peninsular India
- (b) Rashtrakutas, Palas, Parmaras- Tripartite Struggle
- (c) Literature, Religion, Art and Architecture

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