



Syllabus for the Bachelor of Arts (B. A.) Three Year Honours Programme  
Ancient Indian and World History  
Under Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) (1+1+1 pattern)  
(To be effective from the academic session 2022-2023)

Semester	Core course	Discipline Specific Elective	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course	Skill Enhancement Course
I	2x50		1x50	1x50	
II	2x50		1x50	1x50	
III	3x50		1x50		1x50
IV	3x50		1x50		1x50
V	2x50	2x50			
VI	2x50	2x50			
	700	200	200	100	100
<b>Total</b>	<b>1300</b>				

## Credit distribution

1 hour (Lecture/Tutorials) = 1 credit

- 14 Core Courses-  $14 \times 4 = 56$  (Lectures) +  $14 \times 2 = 28$  (Tutorials)
- 2 Ability Enhancement Compulsory courses-  $2 \times 2 = 4$  (Lectures)
- 2 Skill Enhancement courses-  $2 \times 2 = 4$  (Lectures)
- 4 Discipline Specific Elective courses-  $4 \times 4 = 16$  (Lectures) +  $4 \times 2 = 8$  (Tutorials)
- 4 Interdisciplinary Generic Elective courses-  $4 \times 4 = 16$  (Lectures) +  $4 \times 2 = 8$  (Tutorials)

Total lectures hours-  $56 + 4 + 4 + 16 + 16 = 96$  hours

Total Tutorials hours-  $28 + 8 + 8 = 44$  hours

Total credits =  $96 + 44 = 140$

- Minimum L/T classes per course is eighty (80) and maximum of ninety (90)
- Hours mention in the Syllabus details indicate only Lecture hours which is 60 for each core-course, Discipline Specific Elective course and Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course and 30 for Ability Enhancement Compulsory course and Skill Enhancement course. Tutorial hours is not included here which may add 20 to 30 hours accordingly for each core-course, Discipline Specific Elective course and Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course. There are no tutorial hours for Ability Enhancement Compulsory course and Skill Enhancement course.

**ABSTRACT OF THREE-YEAR B.A. HONOURS PROGRAM IN  
ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY**

There will be six semesters in the Three Years B.A (Honours) programme. It is constituted of **14** Core courses, **2** Ability Enhancement Compulsory courses, **2** Skill Enhancement courses, **4** Discipline Specific Elective courses and **4** Interdisciplinary Generic Elective courses. Minimum L / T classes per course is eighty (80).

Each course is of **50** marks; of which **40** marks are for the Semester-End Examination (written) and **10** marks are for internal assessment.

**B.A.(Honours) in ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY: 1st Semester**

In this semester, for the Ancient Indian and World History Honours Students, the Core courses BAHAIWH101 and BAHAIWH102 and Ability Enhancement Compulsory course UG104ES are compulsory; while they are to opt for one Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course from any other Honours subject. Students of any other Honours subject can opt for Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course BAHAIWH103HSTPI offered by AIWH Department.

Course code	Course Title	Course type	L - T - P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH101	Prehistoric and Proto historic Cultures of the Indian Subcontinent and its Archaeological Foundations	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH102	The Ancient World Civilizations: Mesopotamia and Egypt	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH103HSTPI	History of Science and Technology in Pre-Colonial India	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
UG104ES	Environment Studies	Ability Enhancement Compulsory course	2- 0 - 0	2	50
SEMESTER			Total	20	200

**B.A.(Honours) in ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY: 2nd Semester**

In this semester, for the ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY Honours Students, the Core courses BAHAIWH201 and BAHAIWH202 and Ability Enhancement Compulsory course UG204E/B are compulsory; while they are to opt for one Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course from any other Honours subject. Students of any other Honours subject may opt for the Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course BAHAIWH203HAI.

Course Code	Course Title	Course type	L - T - P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 201	Political History of Early India from earliest times to c. 200 BCE	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 202	Political History of Early India from c. 200 BCE- 550 CE	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 203HAI	History of Agriculture in India (up to c.1200 AD)	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
UG204E/B	English/Bengali	Ability Enhancement Compulsory course	2 - 0 - 0	2	50
SEMESTER			TOTAL	20	200

**B.A.(Honours) in ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY: 3rd Semester**

In this semester, for the ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY Honours Students, the Core courses BAHAIWH301, BAHAIWH302, and BAHAIWH303 are compulsory; while they are to opt for (a) one Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course from any other Honours subject and (b) any one of the Skill Enhancement courses BAHAIWH305AM and BAHAIWH305IP. Students of any other Honours subject may opt for the Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course BAHAIWH304HGI.

Course Code	Course Title	Course type	L - T - P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 301	Political History of North India of the Early Medieval Period from (c. 550-1300 CE)	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 302	Political History of South India of the Early Medieval Period (c. 550-1300 CE)	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 303	History of Bengal from Prehistory to 1300 CE.	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 304HGI	Historical Geography of Indian Sub- Continent: Sources and basic Outline	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 305AM	Archaeological Methods	Skill Enhancement course	2 - 0 - 0	2	50
BAHAIWH 305IP	Indian Paleography	Skill Enhancement course	2 - 0 - 0	2	50
SEMESTER			TOTAL:	26	250

**B.A.(Honours) in ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY: 4th Semester**

In this semester, for the ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY Honours Students, the Core courses BAHAIWH401, BAHAIWH402, and BAHAIWH403 are compulsory; while they are to opt for (a) one Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course from any other Honours subject and (b) any one of the Skill Enhancement courses BAHAIWH405HS and BAHAIWH405CSAH. Students of any other Honours subject may opt for the Interdisciplinary Generic Elective course BAHAIWH 404HEIL.

Course Code	Course Title	Course type	L - T - P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 401	History of India (1300-1526 CE)	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH402	History of India (1526-1757)	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH403	History of India (1757-1977)	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH404HEIL	History of Early Indian Literature	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH405HS	Heritage Studies	Skill Enhancement course	2- 0 - 0	2	50
BAHAIWH405CSAH	Elements of Computer Science and its application in the study of Archaeology and Ancient Indian World History and Society.	Skill Enhancement course	1 - 0 - 1	2	50
SEMESTER			TOTAL:	26	250

**B.A.(Honours) in ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY: 5th Semester**

In this semester, for the ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY Honours Students, the Core courses BAHAIWH 501 and BAHAIWH 502 are compulsory; while they are to opt for any two of the Discipline Specific Elective courses BAHAIWH503EHSA, BAHAIWH503AEHC, and BAHAIWH503HAIH.

Course Code	Course Title	Course type	L - T - P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH501	Social Life of Ancient India: From the beginning till 1300 CE	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH502	Ancient Indian Economy: From the beginning till 1300 CE	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 503EHSA	Early History of Southeast Asia	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH503EHC	Early History of China	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
BAHAIWH 503HAIH	Historiography of Ancient Indian History	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50
			SEMESTER	TOTAL	24 200

**B.A.(Honours) in ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY: 6th Semester**

In this semester, for the ANCIENT INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY Honours Students, the Core courses BAHAIWH 601 and BAHAIWH 602 are compulsory; while they are to opt for any two of the Discipline Specific Elective courses BAHAIWH603M, BAHAIWH603SIP, and BAHAIWH603AICI.

Course Code	Course Title	Course type	L - T - P	Credit	Marks	
BAHAIWH 601	History of Indian Art and Architecture	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50	
BAHAIWH 602	Religious Ideologies in Early India: Beliefs and Practices	Core course	4 - 2 - 0	6	50	
BAHAIWH 603M	Museology	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50	
BAHAIWH 603SIP	Study of Indian People: An Anthropological Approach	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50	
BAHAIWH603 AICI	Ancient Indian Cultural Interaction with other parts of South (Afghanistan, Nepal, Tibet, and Sri Lanka) and Central Asia	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50	
			SEMESTER	TOTAL	24 200	
				<b>GRAND</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>140 1300</b>

### Details of Course Contents

Course Code	Course Title	Course type	L - T - P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH101	Prehistoric and Proto historic Cultures of the Indian Subcontinent and its archaeological foundations	Core course	4- 2- 0	6	50

#### **Unit-1 (15 hours)**

Prehistory and Protohistory: definition–terminology-periodization. Palaeolithic Cultures: Salient features, Geographical distribution, Belan Valley, Son Valley; Mesolithic Cultures: Salient features, Geographical distribution, Vindhya, Ganga Plains; Neolithic Cultures: Salient features, Geographical distribution, South India, Vindhya and Ganga Plains.

#### **Unit-2 (15 hours)**

Problem of the beginning of food production in India and the evidence from Mehrgarh; the Growth of villages from Baluchistan to Western Uttar Pradesh. Early/Pre Harappan-Cultures - Prelude to the Harappan Civilization

#### **Unit-3 (15 hours)**

Harappan Civilization: Origin, terminologies, and chronology; distribution; urban forms, architecture, and town planning; Trade, exchange, crafts, and technology; the Harappan script; art; religion; decline of the Harappan Civilization.

#### **Unit-4 (15 hours)**

Late/Post-Harappan Cultures: Pastoralist/Early Cultures contemporary to Harappans: Cemetery H, Gandhara Grave, Lustrous Red Ware, Ochre Coloured Pottery, and Copper hordes of India; Megalithic cultures of South India.

Field survey in different archaeological sites and participation of the students in the excavation programmes undertaken by Central and State authorities (Archaeological Survey of India, State Archaeology and Museums, Govt. of West Bengal), etc. are desirable.

#### **Reading List:**

Agrawal, D.P. 1982. *The Archaeology of India*, London.

Allchin, B. and F.R. Allchin 1968. *The Birth of Indian Civilization*, Harmondsworth.

Allchin, F.R. and Dilip K. Chakrabarti. *A Sourcebook of Indian Archaeology*, 3 Volumes, Delhi Vol. I 1979, Vol. II 1997, Vol. III 2003

Bhattacharya, D.K. 1979. *Old Stone Age Tools*, Calcutta.

Chakrabarti, Dilip, K. 2006. *The Oxford Companion to Indian Archaeology: The Archaeological Foundations of Ancient India, Stone Age to AD 13<sup>th</sup> Century*, Delhi. 1999.

Chakrabarti, Dilip K., *Bharatbarsher Pragitihasa-Itihasa Granthamala 6*, Calcutta

Chakrabarti, Dilip K. and Makkhan Lal, eds. 2014. *Ancient India Series*, (Vols. 1-2), New Delhi.

Jarrige, Catherine et.al. 1995. *Mehrgarh: Field Reports 1974-1985, from Neolithic Times*

*to the Indus Civilization*, Karachi.

Kenoyer, J.M. 1991. *Harappa Excavations 1986-90* (Meadow, R.H. ed.), Madison, Wisconsin.

Kenoyer, J.M., ed., *Ancient Cities of the Indus Valley Civilization*, Karachi, 2000.

Lahiri, N. 1992. *The Archaeology of Indian Trade Routes (up to c. 200 BC)*, New Delhi 1998.

Lahiri, N., *The Decline and Fall of the Indus Civilization*, Delhi, 2000.

Mishra V. D. and J.N. Pal eds. 2002. *Mesolithic India*, Allahabad.

Possehl, G.L. 2003. *The Indus Civilization: A Contemporary Perspective*, New Delhi.

Ratnagar, Shireen. 2001. *Understanding Harappa*, Delhi.

Ratnagar, Shireen. 2003, *Harappa Sabhyatar Sandhane*, Kolkata.

Ratnagar, Shireen. 2000. *The End of the Great Harappan Tradition*, Delhi.

Sankalia, H.D. 1974. *Pre and Protohistory of India and Pakistan*, Pune.

Settar, S. and R. Korisettar, eds. 2002. *Indian Archaeology in Retrospect*, Vols. I-III. New Delhi.

Singh, Upinder. 2009. *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India from the Stone Age to the 12<sup>th</sup> Century*.

Wheeler, R.E.M, 1959. *Early India and Pakistan*, London.

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BAHAIWH 102	The Ancient World Civilizations: Mesopotamia and Egypt	Core Course	4-2-0	6	50

#### **Unit 1:**

##### **Coming of Civilization (10 Hours)**

The idea of civilization – Biological evolution of human species – cultural evolution of human species – The notions of Neolithic Revolution and Urban Revolution

#### **Unit 2:**

##### **Civilization of Ancient Mesopotamia (24 Hours)**

The geographical setting – origin of Mesopotamian civilization: agricultural transformation and Neolithic settlements – Urban Developments in Mesopotamia during the Uruk period (3300-3100 BCE) and the Jemdet Nasr period (3100-2800 BCE) – The Sumerian problem and their origin – The Sumerian pantheon – Appearance of temples: construction of ziggurats – Early Mesopotamian king lists and dynastic lists – The Story of Gilgamesh – The Sumerian city states – Class and gender in Mesopotamian society

#### **Unit 3:**

##### **Coming of Empires in Ancient Mesopotamia (10 Hours)**

Sargon of Akkad: His careers and achievements – The Akkadian Empire and its impact – The Third Dynasty of Ur – The Babylonian Empire and Hammurabi – The Code of Hammurabi

## **Unit 4:**

### **The Civilization of Ancient Egypt (16 Hours)**

Formation of the Old Kingdom (3100 BCE-2800 BCE) in Egypt – Beginning of dynastic history – An outline of the history of the old kingdom: The first eight dynasties – The role of early Egyptian rulers – Socio-economic and religious life of ancient Egypt – The funerary rites and pyramids

#### **Reading list:**

##### **Essential readings**

Adams, Robert M, *Early Mesopotamia and Prehispanic Mexico: The Evolution of Human Society*, Chicago, 1966.

Aldred, Cyril, *The Egyptians*, London and New York, 1991.

Asimov, Isaac, *The Egyptians*, Houghton Mifflin, 1967.

Asimov, Isaac, *Misharer Itihas*, Dhaka, 2016.

Childe, Gordon, *Man Makes Himself*, Nottingham, 2012.

Childe, Gordon, *What Happened in History*, Delhi, 2016.

Fagan, Brian M, *The Oxford Companion to Archaeology*, Oxford, 1996.

Fagan, Brian M., *People of the Earth: An Introduction to World Prehistory*, London, 2013.

Farooqui, Amar, *Early Social Formations*, Delhi, 2021.

Grimal, Nicholas, *A History of Ancient Egypt*, Oxford, 1992.

King, Leonard O., *A History of Sumer and Akkad*, New York, 1968.

Kramer, Samuel Noel, *The Sumerians: Their History, Character, Culture*, Chicago, 1963.

Liverani, M., ed., *Akkad: The First World Empire*, Padua, 1993.

O'Connor, David, *A Short History of Ancient Egypt*, Pittsburgh, 1990.

Pollock, Susan, *Ancient Mesopotamia*, Cambridge, 1999.

Postgate, N., *Early Mesopotamia: Society and Economy at the Dawn of History*, London, 1992.

Roux, Georges, *Ancient Iraq*, London, 1992.

Scarre, Christopher and Fagan, Brian M., *Ancient Civilizations*, New York, 1997.

Trigger, B., *Ancient Egypt: A Social History*, Cambridge, 1983.

##### **Suggested readings**

Allagze, Guillermo, *The Uruk World System: The Dynamics of Expansion of Early Mesopotamian Civilization*, Chicago, 1993.

Andrews, Carol, *Egyptian Mummies*, London, 1990.

Edwards, I.E.S., *The Pyramids of Egypt*, Harmondsworth, 1985

Fagan, Brian M., *The Rape of the Nile*, Providence, 1992.

Rundleclark, R.T., *Myth and Symbol in Ancient Egypt*, London and New York, 1959.

Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 103 H STPI	History of Science and Technology in Pre- colonial India	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4-2-0	6	50

### Unit 1:

#### Introduction to the History of Science and Technology (6 Hours)

Historiography; Objectives; Basic concepts in the history of science; continuity and change

### Unit 2:

#### Ancient Indian Technology from Archaeology (16 Hours)

Harappan technology: ceramics, beads, systems of irrigation, brick-making, metallurgy

Iron technology and its impact: North Indian cultures and the Megalithic cultures

Iron age ceramics: PGW and NBPW

### Unit 3

#### Ancient Indian Science and Technology from Texts (14 Hours)

Vedāngas and specialized knowledge systems

*Śulba Sūtras* and Vedic geometry

Astronomy and mathematics: Āryabhaṭṭa, Varāhamihira, Bhāskara

Healthcare systems: Caraka and Śusruta

### Unit 4

#### Science and Technology in Early Medieval and Medieval India (24 hours)

Indian Knowledge Systems and the Arab World

Agriculture: crops and tools – irrigation – agricultural processing

Crafts: Textile technology – mining and metallurgy – building industry – other crafts

War equipment before gunpowder

Firearms

Inland transport and communications

Oceanic navigations

Social history of medieval Indian technology

### Essential readings:

Agrawal, D.P., *The Copper Bronze Age in India*, New Delhi, 1969.

Agrawal, D.P., *Ancient Metal Technology and Archaeology of South Asia*, New Delhi, 2000.



- Bag, A.K., *History of Mathematics in Ancient and Medieval India*, Varanasi, 1979.
- Bag, A.K., *Science and Civilization in India: Harappan Period*, Vol. 1, New Delhi, 1985.
- Bag, A.K. (ed.), *History of Technology in India* (Vols. 1-4), New Delhi, 1997.
- Bharadwaj, H.C., *Aspects of Ancient Indian Technology*, Delhi, 2000.
- Bharadwaj, H.C., *Metallurgy in Indian Archaeology*, Varanasi, 2000.
- Bose, D.M., Sen, S.N., and Subbarayappa, B.V., (eds.), *A Concise History of Science in India*, New Delhi, 1971.
- Chattopadhyaya, Debiprasad, ed., *History of Science and Technology in Ancient India* (Vols. 1-3), Calcutta, 1986, 1991, 1886.
- Habib, Irfan, *Technology in Medieval India*, New Delhi, 2009.
- Rahman, A., ed., *Science and Technology in Indian Culture: A Historical Perspective*, New Delhi, 1984.
- Ratnagar, Shereen, *Makers and Shapers: Early Indian Technology in Home, Village, and the Urban Workshop*, Delhi, 2007.
- Sahu, B.P., ed., *Iron and Social Change in Early India*, New Delhi, 2006.
- Suggested readings:**
- Agrawal, D.P., *The Archaeology of India*, London, 1982.
- Biswas, A.K., *Minerals and Metals in Ancient India* (Vols. 1-2), New Delhi, 1996.
- Chakrabarti, D.K., *Early Use of Iron in India*, New Delhi, 1992.
- Chakrabarti, D.K. and Lahiri, Nayanjot, *Copper and its Alloy in Ancient India*, New Delhi, 1996.
- Chattopadhyaya, Debiprasad, ed., *History of Science, Philosophy, and Culture in Indian Civilization*, 16 Vols., New Delhi.
- Kuppuram, G., and Kumudamani, K., *History of Science and Technology in India*, 12 Vols., Delhi, 1990.
- Tripathi, Vibha, *The Age of Iron in South Asia: Legacy and Tradition*, New Delhi, 2001.
- *History of Iron Technology in India*, New Delhi, 2008.

Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 201	Political History of Early India from earliest times to c. 200 BCE	Core course	4 - 2-0	6	50

### Unit – 1 (20 hours)

Sources and their interpretation: Nature of sources of ancient Indian history; Classification of both literary and archaeological sources: Vedic and Dharmashastra Literature; Buddhist and Jaina Literature; Tamil literature; Biographical literature; Literature of *itihasa-purana* tradition: *Ramayana, Mahabharata, Puranas*; Account of foreign travelers; Material Remains and other archaeological sources; Inscriptions, coins, art and architectural remains, etc.

Historiography, Concepts and Methods

### Unit-2 (15 hours)

The Aryans and the Vedic Corpus (c.1500 BCE–c.500 BCE)

The study of the Aryan Problem: Historiography, The Vedic text and their chronology. The Vedic Aryans - Geographical spread of settlements - Political situation- Archaeological cultures beyond the Vedic milieu- Black and Red Ware and Painted Grey Ware.

### Unit- 3 (10 hours)

Transition from Chiefdom to Kingdom: (c. 500 BCE- c.400BCE)

State formation in Northern India- The Socio-political backdrop - Emergence of the sixteen *Mahajanapadas*-The *Ganasangha* tradition: understanding an Alternative Political System- the Pre-eminence of Magadha.

### Unit-4 (15 hours)

Mauryan India (c.400 BCE- c. 200BCE)

Exploring an Imperial Structure- Nature and extent of the Mauryan Empire- Asoka's Dhamma - Administrative organization of the Mauryas- Decline of the Empire.

### Reading List:

Altekar, A.S., 1949. *State and Government in Ancient India*, Banaras.

Bryant, E., 2001. *The Quest of the Origins of the Vedic Culture, the Indo-Aryan Migration Debate*, New York.

Chakrabarti, Dilip K.and Makkhan Lal, eds. 2014. *Ancient India Series*,

Vol. 3: *The Texts, Political History, and Administration* (till c. 200 BCE), New Delhi.

Chakravarti, Ranabir. 2007. *Bharat Itihaser Adi Parba*, Kolkata.

Chakravarti, Ranabir, 2013. *Exploring Early India Up to c. AD 1300*, New Delhi.

Erdosy, G., ed. 1997. *The Indo- Aryans of Ancient South Asia: Language, Material Culture and Ethnicity*. 1<sup>st</sup> Indian Edition, Delhi.

Kosambi, D.D. 1956. *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History*, Poona.

- Kosamni, D.D., 2002. *Combined Methods in Indology and other Writings*, compiled, edited and introduced by B.D.Chattopadhyaya. New Delhi.
- Lahiri, N. 2015. *Ashoka in Ancient India*. New Delhi.
- Majumdar, R.C., ed. 1951. *The Vedic Age* (Vosl. 1-2), Bombay.
- Mukherjee, B.N. 1984. *Studies in the Aramaic Edicts of Asoka*, Calcutta.
- Nath, Pratyay, and Sengupta, Kaustabh Mani, eds., 2022. *Itihaser Bitarka, Bitarker Itihas*, Kolkata.
- Raychaudhuri, H.C. 1997. *Political History of Ancient India: From the Accession of Parikshit to the Extinction of the Gupta Dynasty*, revised edition with a commentary by B.N. Mukherjee, Delhi.
- Roy, Kumkum. 1994. *The Emergence of Monarchy in North India*, Delhi.
- Sharma, R.S. 1968. *Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, revised and enlarged, Delhi.
- 1995. *Looking for the Aryans*, Hyderabad.
- 2009. *Rethinking India's Past*, New Delhi.
- Singh, Upinder. 2008. *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India: From the Stone Age to the 12<sup>th</sup> Century*, Delhi.
- Thapar, Romila. 2002, *Early India: From the Origins to AD 1300*.
- 1984. *From Lineage to State: Social Formations in the Mid - First Millennium BC in the Ganga Valley*, New Delhi.
- Ed. 1986. *Situating Indian History*, Delhi.
- 1987. *The Mauryas Revisited*, Calcutta.
- 2012. *Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*, Delhi.
- Thapar, Romila, 2019. et. al., *Who Among Us are the Aryans*, Delhi.
- Truautmann, Thomas R., ed., 2007. *The Aryan Debate*, Delhi.

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BAHAIWH 202	Political History of Early India from c. 200 BCE- 550 CE	Core course	4 -2- 0	6	50

#### Unit-1 (15 hours)

Post- Mauryan India: Changing perception of the Post- Mauryan period- rise of regional power centres- Shungas and Kanavas- Central Asian intervention in north Indian Politics focusing on the Indo-Greeks and the Kushanas- Kushana Polity.

**Unit-2 (15 hours)**

The Satavahanas and their struggle with the Saka Kshatrapas of Western India- the Satavahana Polity - Kings and chieftains – the Cheras, Cholas and Pandyas- Sangam literature and archaeological evidence.

**Unit- 3 (20 hours)**

The Age of the Guptas- Historical situation of India in 300 CE- Emergence of the Gupta empire- the empire in its mature form- Political achievements of the rulers- disintegration of the empire- Administrative structure of the empire with special reference to Bengal- Notion of Classical age and Threshold times.

**Unit- 4 (10 hours)**

An Introduction of the contemporary dynasties like the Vakatakas, the Kadambas.

**Reading List:**

- Agrawal, Ashwini, 1989, *Rise and Fall of the Imperial Guptas*, Delhi.
- Chakrabarti, Dilip K. and Makkhan Lal eds. 2014. *Ancient India Series*, Vol. 4: *Political History and Administration* (c. 200 BC- AD 750) New Delhi.
- Chakrabarti, Kunal and Sinha, Kanad. Eds. 2018. *State, Power and Legitimacy: The Gupta Kingdom*, Delhi.
- Chakravarti, Ranabir. 2007. *Bharat Itihaser Adi Parva*, 2013.
- Chakravarti, Ranabir, *Exploring Early India Up to c. AD 1300*, New Delhi.
- Goyal, S.R. 2005. *The Imperial Guptas: A Multidisciplinary Political Study*, Jodhpur.
- Karashima, Noboru, ed., 2014. *A Concise History of South India*, Delhi.
- Lahiri, B. 1974. *Indigenous States of Northern India* (circa 200 BC to AD 320), Calcutta.
- Majumdar, R.C. and Altekar, A.S., eds., 2006, *The Vakataka-Gupta Age*, Delhi.
- Majumdar, R.C., ed., 1997. *The History and Culture of the Indian People* (Vol. III), Mumbai.
- Mukherjee, B.N. 1988. *The Rise and Fall of the Kushana Empire*, Calcutta.
- Mukherjee, B.N., 2004. *Kushana Studies; New Perspectives*, Calcutta.
- Nath, Pratyay and Sengupta, Kaustabh Mani, 2022. *Itihaser Bitarka Bitarker Itihas*, Kolkata.
- Raychaudhuri, H.C. 1997. *Political History of Ancient India: From the Accession of Parikshit to the Extinction of the Gupta Dynasty*, revised edition with a commentary by B.N. Mukherjee, Delhi.
- Sastri, K.A. Nilkantha. 1975. *A History of South India from Prehistoric Times to the Fall of Vijayanagar*, Madras.
- Shastri, Ajay Mitra ed. 1999. *The Age of the Satavahanas*. Great Ages of Indian History, 2 Vols, New Delhi.
- Singh, Upinder. 2008. *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India: From the Stone Age to the 12<sup>th</sup> Century*, Delhi.
- Thapar, Romila. 2002 *Early India: From the Origins to AD 1300*.

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BAHAIWH 203HAI	History of Agriculture in India (up to c.1200 AD)	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4 -2- 0	6	50

**Unit-1 (10 hours)****Origin and Beginnings of Agriculture in the Prehistoric period**

Northwest- Mehrgarh; Vindhya- Gangetic region; Middle Ganga Plain

**Unit-2 (10 hours)****Harappa and Vedic Facets of Agriculture**

Agriculture in the Harappan Civilization- Agriculture in Vedic Literature

**Unit-3 (10 hours)**

**Agriculture from the Neolithic-chalcolithic Phases to c. 600BCE**

Agriculture in Neolithic -Chalcolithic and Early Iron Age -Agriculture in the Gangetic Plains during the First Millennium BCE.

**Unit-4 (15 hours)**

**Agriculture in Ancient India from c. 600BCE-600CE**

Agriculture and Irrigation as revealed in Pali Sources- Land and land system in the *Arthashastra* -Agricultural taxes in Early Northern India

**Unit-5 (15 hours)**

**Agriculture in Ancient India from c.600CE to 1200 CE**

Aspects of sharecropping in ancient and early medieval India- Agricultural technology as known from the *Krishi-Parashara*- Expansion of Agriculture in ancient Bengal-The history of agriculture in South India.

**Reading List**

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BAHAIWH 301	Political History of North India of the Early Medieval Period (c. 550-1300 CE)	Core course	4 -2- 0	6	50

#### Unit-1 (15 hours)

Situating the period- Transition from early historic to early medieval- Recent debates  
Survey of Sources- understanding the change in the nature of sources- Historiography-  
Debates on the various issues pertaining to the Post- Gupta Period- Feudalism and theories on  
polity.

#### Unit-2 (15 hours)

Emergence of regional kingdoms and their geographical location (600CE- 800CE) - Ganga  
Valley and Eastern India- The Maukharis- Harshavardhana of Pushyabhuti dynasty- early  
history, military and cultural achievements and administration-Yashovarman of Kanauj.

#### Unit-3 (15 hours)

Western India- Emergence of Gurjara Pratiharas and other Rajput dynasties - Gahadwalas,  
Chandellas, Kalachuris, Paramaras, Chahamans- fall of the Pratihara empire- Tripartite struggle-  
Gradual rise and importance of the Rajputs.

#### Unit- 4 (15 hours)

Rise of Kashmir as an important power- Karkota and Utpala dynasty of Kashmir-Causes and Effects  
of Arab invasion in Sindh - India at the end of the first millenium- Ghaznavid and Ghurid invasions:  
Nature and impact.

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BAHAIWH 302	Political History of South India of Early Medieval Period (c.550-1300 CE)	Core course	4 -2- 0	6	50

#### Unit-1 (15 hours)

Geographical and Historical context of space in South India

Survey of Sources- Historiography

Nature of south Indian polities with special emphasis on Chola administrative structure

Reflections on the concepts of Fragmentation, Segmentation, and integration.

#### Unit-2 (15 hours)

The emergence of regional Kingdoms in the Peninsula- The Pallavas- the Chalukyas of Badami- Pulakesin II- the early Rashtrakutas- consolidation of the Rashtrakutas power- Fall of the Rashtrakutas and rise of the Western Chalukyas.

#### Unit-3 (15 hours)

The advent of the Chola power- Consolidation and expansion under Rajaraja I and Rajendra I- Relations with the Rashtrakutas- Chola administration - The Pandya and Chera Kingdoms

#### Unit-4 (15 hours)

Decline of the Western Chalukyas and formation of three powerful kingdoms: Yadavas and Hoysalas in Maharashtra and Karnataka-, Kakatiyas in Andhra Pradesh- Dissolution of the Chola Empire.

**Reading List:**

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BAHAIWH 303	Political History of Bengal from Prehistory to 1300 CE.	Core course	4 -2- 0	6	50

**Unit-1 (7 hours)**

Sources and their interpretations.

Historiography

Introducing the region

Bengal: definition, scope, terminology and periodization.

**Unit-2 (5 hours)**

The Cultural Parameters of the Prehistoric and the Protohistoric (Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic sites in ancient Bengal)

Chalcolithic cultures of West Bengal.

**Unit-3 (13 hours)**

Historical Geography of Ancient Bengal: Pundra and Varendri, Gauda, Radha (Uttara- Radha mandala and Dakshina Radha), Vanga, Vangala, Samatata, Harikela, Chandradvipa. Pundravardhana-bhukti, Danda-bhukti, Vardhamana- bhukti, Kankagrama-bhukti, Suvarnavithi-Navyavakasika, Trans- Meghna tracts.

**Unit-4 (5 hours)**



The Foundations of Early Historic Bengal: Nature of pre-Gupta Bengal- Mauryan and Kushana Period - Bengal under the Guptas.

**Unit-5 (5 hours)**

Political Processes during the Post- Gupta Period: Rise of Gauda as a regional power under Shashanka. Minor ruling powers in the sixth and seventh centuries- Devas, Ratas, Khadgas.

**Unit-6 (10 hours)**

Rise of Palas in Bengal and Bihar- Gopala and *Matsyanyaya*- Extent of the Pala territory during the time of Dharmapala and Devapala - Mahendrapala to Rampala: An overview of the reign of the Pala rulers- Occupation of Varendra- Kaivarta rebellion- Decline of the Pala rule

**Unit-7 (5 hours)**

Local power formations in South eastern Bengal from the eighth century onwards.  
Rise of Chandras as regional power.  
Rise of Varmans as regional power.

**Unit- 8 (10 hours)**

Formation of the Sena rule.  
Achievements of Vijaysena and Vallalasesa.  
Lakshmanasena - Turkish invasion- later Sena rulers.

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BAHAIW H304HGI	Historical Geography of Indian Sub-Continent: Sources and basic Outline	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4 -2- 0	6	50

### Unit-1 (20 hours)

Introductory Notes-

Sources:

Indigenous Literary Sources (Vedic literature, *Smriti*, Panini, Patanjali, *Puranas*, Buddhist and Jaina literature, The *Ramayana*, The *Mahabharata*, *Arthashastra* of Kautilya, Sangam Literature, *Kavyamimamsa* of Rajasekhara).

Non-indigenous Literature (Classical Sources and Travelogues, etc.) – Epigraphic Sources

### Unit- 2 (10 hours)

Bharatavarsha:

Its Geography and tribes. Different Names of India. Shapes and Divisions of India

### Unit- 3 (15 hours)

Physical features:

Hills and Mountains Rivers

Routes

Internal and over-seas Routes

Pilgrimage Routes

Description of Forest Areas  
*Mahajanapadas*

**Unit- 4 (15 hours)**

Regional Geography: Ancient Bengal  
Physiographic divisions and river systems  
Sub-regional divisions  
Early settlements  
Trade routes

**Reading List:**

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BAHAIWH 305AM	Archaeological Methods	Skill Enhancement course	2-0-0	2	50

**Unit 1.**

**INTRODUCTION OF ARCHAEOLOGY (4 Hours)**

- a. Definition. aims and scope of Archaeology
- b. An outline of archaeological time frame in India

**Unit 2.**

**TERMS AND CONCEPT IN ARCHAEOLOGY : (5 Hour)**

- A. Archaeological sites/Tell/ Mount, Site Formation Process
- B. Artifacts and Eco-facts
- c. Assemblage

**Unit3.**

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPLORATION (6 Hours)**

- A. EXPLORATION –a. Definition, Nature and Objectives
  - b. Different kinds of exploration methods
  - c. Exploration equipment

**Unit 4.**

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATION (7 Hours)**

- A. Definition of excavation
- b. Excavation equipments
- c. Excavations staff and their functions
- b. Different kind of excavations
- c. Stratigraphical method in excavation
- d. Disturbance of strata

**Unit 5.**

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL RECORDING (3 Hours)**

**Unit 6.**

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATING (5 Hours)**

- a. Relative dating- i. Seriation, Geochronology, Typological sequence, Statistical analysis
- b. Absolute dating Radiocarbon, potassium Argon, Thermoluminescence, Dendrochronology, Varve analysis

**Reading List:**

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BAHAIWH 305IP	Indian Paleography	Skill Enhancement course	2 -0 - 0	2	50

**Unit -1 (6 hours)**

Introduction to Indian Palaeography- Meaning and scope- Types of scripts.

**Unit-2 (6 hours)**

Earliest writings in South Asia: Harappa script and related problems  
Antiquity of historical writings in India.

**Unit-3 (11 hours)**

Study of Scripts:

Brahmi- Early Brahmi, middle Brahmi and late  
Brahmi. Kharoshti- Asokan Kharoshti, Kusana  
Kharoshti.

**Unit-4 (7 hours)**

Early Medieval scripts with emphasis on eastern India.

Early Siddhamatrika- mature Siddhamatrika- Gaudi- development of Bengali Script.

**Reading List:**

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Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 401	History of India (1300-1526CE)	Core Course	4-2-0	6	50

### Unit 1

#### Survey of Sources (16 Hours)

Persian *ta'rikh* tradition with special reference to Barani  
*Malfuzats* and *premakhyanas*: Persian, Sanskrit, and Vernacular Interactions  
Inscriptions and Regional identities: The Kakatiyas  
Architecture and archaeology: Hampi

### Unit 2

#### Political Processes (16 Hours)

The coming of the Delhi Sultanat  
Articulation of Political Authority: Balban, Khaljis, Tughluqs  
Political structure of the Delhi Sultanat  
Regional political cultures: Vijayanagara and Gujarat Sultanate

### Unit 3

#### Economic processes (10 Hours)

Agricultural production  
Technological changes  
Monetization, market regulations, trade, and crafts

### Unit 4

#### Religion and Society (18 Hours)

Sufism: Chishti and Suhrawardy *silsilahs*, doctrines and practices, social roles  
Bhakti cults: Kabir, Nanak, Warkari, Mirabai  
Gender and identity formation

#### Essential readings:

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Behl, Aditya, *Love's Subtle Magic: An Indian Islamic Literary Tradition*, New York, 2012.  
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Lal, K.S., *Twilight of the Sultanate*, Delhi, 1980.  
Lorenzen, David, *Religious Movements in South Asia, 600-1800*, New Delhi, 2005.

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 Datta, Rajat, *Rethinking a Millennium: Perspectives on Indian History from Eighth to the Eighteenth Century*, Delhi, 2008.  
 Day, U. N., *Some Aspects of Medieval Indian History*, New Delhi, 1971.  
 Eaton, Richard, M., *Essays on Islam and Indian History*, Delhi, 2000.  
 Fuess, Albrecht, and Hartung, Jan Peter, (eds.), *Court Cultures in the Muslim World: Seventh to Nineteenth Centuries*, London, 2011.  
 Moreland, W.H., *Agrarian Systems of Moslem India*, Delhi, 1988.  
 Orsini, Francesca and Sheikh, Samira, (eds.), *After Timur Left*, Delhi, 2014.  
 Ramaswamy, Vijaya, *Walking Naked: Women, Society, and Spirituality in South India*, Shimla, 1997.  
 Richards, J.F., ed., *Kingship and Authority in South Asia*, Delhi, 1998.  
 Schomer, K. and McLeod, W.H., ed., *The Sants: Studies in a Devotional Tradition of India*, Delhi, 1987.  
 Sharma, Sunil, *Amir Khusraw: The Poet of Sultans and Sufis*, Delhi, 2005.  
 Talbot, Cynthia, *Precolonial India in Practice*, Delhi, 2008.  
 Vaudeville, C., *Myths, Saints, and Legends in Medieval India*, New Delhi, 1996.

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BAHAIWH 402	History of India (1526-1757)	Core Course	4-2-0	6	50

### Unit 1. (12 Hours)

- I. Sources and Historiography of Mughal Empire
- II. Zahir-Ud-Din Muhammad Babur and the Foundation of Mughal Empire in India:
  - a. The battle of Panipat and after.
  - b. The Afghan issue in Eastern India.
  - c. Babur's contribution.
- III. Humayun:
  - a. Initial changes in administrative policy.
  - b. Tussle with Bahadur Shah and the Gujarat campaign.



c. The struggle with Sher Khan and the Bengal Campaign.

**IV. Sur Afghans:**

- a. Early life.
- b. The rise of Sher Khan
- c. Administrative reforms: central administration, provincial administration, revenue administration and currency system.
- d. Buildings, monuments and roads construction under Sher Khan.
- e. Death of Sher Shah and Delhi Under Islam Shah.

**Unit 2: (18 Hours)**

**V. Jalaluddin Muhammad Akbar: Politics.**

- a. Early years.
- b. The Uzbek problem.
- c. The expansion of empire.
- d. The Mughal-Rajput relation under Akbar.
- e. The emergence of new composite ruling class.
- f. Domestic and foreign diplomacy under Akbar.
- g. The Relation with Deccan.

**VI. Jalaluddin Muhammad Akbar: State and Administration and Economy.**

- a. The concept of suzerainty under Akbar.
- b. Administration
- c. The land revenue system.
- d. Different aspects of Mansabdari system.
- e. The Mughal Army.

**VII. Jalaluddin Muhammad Akbar: Culture and Religion.**

- a. Painting under Akbar.
- b. Music under Akbar.
- c. Literature.
- d. Science and technology.
- e. Three phases of religious belief and Din-i-Ilahi.

**Unit 3: (12 Hours)**

**VIII. Jahangir:**

- a. Early difficulties.
- b. Consolidation and expansion of empire.
- c. Nur Jahan 'Junta'.
- d. Foreign relations.
- e. Challenges from within: Rebellions.
- f. Changes in government and administration.
- g. Religion and the state.
- h. Art and architecture.

**IX. Shah Jahan:**

- a. Consolidation and expansion of the empire.
- b. Evolution of Mughal ruling class and the changes in government and administration.
- c. Religious policy.
- d. Art and architecture.

**Unit 4: (10 Hours)**

**X. Aurangzeb and the decline of the Mughals:**

- a. War of succession.
- b. Consolidation and expansion of empire.
- c. Relation With Rajputs.
- d. Relation with Deccani states.
- e. The Nobility
- f. Revolts.
- g. The Jagirdari crisis.
- h. Agrarian crisis
- i. Religious policy.
- j. Patronage of music.

**XI. The society under Mughals:**

- a. Rural society.
- b. Town life.
- c. Th standard of living.
- d. The ruling class and elite.
- e. Working class.
- f. Women

**XII. Economy under Mughals:**

- a. Agriculture and agrarian relations
- b. Trade- Indian Merchants
- c. Crafts and industry
- d. The Mughal state and commerce.

**Unit 5: (8 Hours)**

**XIII. Shivaji and the rise of the Marathas.**

**XIV. The Marathas under the *peshwas*.**

**XV. The Rise of Sikhs.**

**XVI. The Advent of European Companies in India.**

**Essential readings**

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- Lal, Ruby, *Domesticity and Power in the Early Mughal World*, Delhi, 2005.
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- Rizvi, S.A.A., *Religious and Intellectual Lives of the Muslims in Akbar's Reign*, New Delhi, 1995.
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BAHAIWH 403	History of India (1757-1977)	Core Course	4-2-0	6	50

### **Unit 1: (14 Hours)**

#### **Understanding the eighteenth century:**

- The eighteenth-century Debate
- Foundation and expansion of British empire
- Colonial institutions and ideologies
- Colonial economy- land revenue systems, drain of wealth, deindustrialization.

### **Unit 2: (12 Hours)**

#### **Transition in society religion and culture:**

- Coming of Western education
- Rammohun Roy and the Brahma Samaj, Derozio and the Young Bengals, Ishwarchandra Vidyasagar.
- Social reforms outside Bengal
- Hinduism and religious reforms
- Islam under colonialism: Wahabi movement, Faraizi movement, Aligarh Movement
- Tribal and peasant reactions: Santal rebellion, Indigo revolt

### **Unit 3: (5 Hours)**

#### **I. The revolt of 1857 and its impact**

- a. Background
- b. Historiography
- c. Spread
- d. Impact

### **Unit 4: (10 Hours)**

#### **Understanding Indian nationalism:**

- a. Historiography
- b. Emergence of Nationalism
- c. Foundation of Indian National Congress
- d. The Swadeshi Movement: Moderate politics, constructive swadeshi, the extremist trends, revolutionary activities.

### **Unit 5: (9 Hours)**

#### **The Gandhian Era:**

- a. Background to the rise of Gandhi
- b. Early Gandhian movements.
- c. Khilafat and Non-cooperation movements.
- d. Civil Disobedience movement and contemporary trends.
- e. Quit India Movement

### **Unit 6: (3 Hours)**

#### **The nation and its others:**

- a. The dalit movement and B. R. Ambedkar.
- b. The labour, peasant and leftist movement.
- c. The rise of communalism

### **Unit 7: (4 Hours)**

#### **Independence and Partition:**

- a. Road to Independence: the INA, The Naval revolt, and the transfer of power.
- b. The partition: debate and impact.

### **Unit 8: (3 Hours)**

#### **India after Partition:**

- a. The Indian constitution.
- b. Nehru's vision of India.
- c. The crisis of democracy: The emergency and beyond

### **Essential readings:**

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BAHAIWH 404HEIL	History of Early Indian Literature	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective	4-2-0	6	50

#### **Unit-1 (5 hours)**

Introduction to Early Indian Literature  
 Historicity of Early Indian Literature  
 Different Genres of Early Indian Literature  
 Accounts of non-indigenous travelers

#### **Unit-2 (15 hours)**

Religious literature:  
 Vedic  
 Buddhist  
 Jaina  
 Purana

#### **Unit-3 (10 hours)**

Epic literature:  
*Mahabharata*,  
*Ramayana*  
*Silappadikaram*  
*Manimekalai*

#### **Unit-4 (10 hours)**

Technical treatises:  
*Manusmriti*  
*Arthashastra*  
*Kamasutra*  
*Natyashastra*

#### **Unit-5 (15 hours)**

Creative literature:

Sangam Poetry

Sanskrit *kavyas* (poetry and drama) with special emphasis on Kalidasa

Sanskrit story with special reference to *Panchantantra*,

### Unit-6 (5 hours)

Historical literature:

Historical biography-*Harshacarita*

Historical chronicle-*Rajatarangini*

### Reading List:

Bhattacharya, Sukumari, *Prachin Bharat Samaj o Sahitya*, Ananda Publishers, Kolkata, 2000.

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Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 405 HS	Heritage Studies	Skill Enhancement Course	2-0-0	2	50

**Unit I: (10 hours)**

**Introduction to Heritage Study:**

- Heritage Meaning & Significance
- Types of Heritage
- Major Elements of the Cultural & Natural Heritage of India
- World Heritage Sites in India
- Role of UNESCO in Preservation of Heritage

**Unit II: (10 hours)**

**Preservation and Conservation of Heritage:**

- Definition of Preservation and Conservation
- Ethics and significance; Causes of Deterioration
- Preventive Measures
- Conservation of Monuments

**Unit III: (6 hours)**

**Laws governing cultural property:**

- The Indian Treasure Trove Act, 1878
- The Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, 1904
- The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958
- The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Rules, 1959
- The Antiquities and Art Treasures Act, 1972
- The Antiquities and Art Treasures Rules, 1973
- International Laws Governing Cultural Heritage

**Unit IV: (4 hours)**

**Heritage Management:**

- Concept & Relevance for Society
- Role of Archaeological Study Understanding the Cultural Heritage of Our Country



**Selected reading:**

- Allchin B., F.R. Allchin and B.K. Thapar eds. 1989. Conservation of the Indian Heritage, New Delhi.
- Basham, A.L. ed. 2007. The Illustrated Cultural History of India, New Delhi.
- Basu, J.N. 1965. Indian Museum Movement, Calcutta.
- Batra, N. L. 1996. Heritage Conservation: Preservation and Restoration of Monuments, New Delhi.
- Biswas, S.S. 1999. Protecting the Cultural Heritage: National Legislations and International Conventions, New Delhi.
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Course Code	Course Title	Course type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
<b>BAHAIWH 405CSAH</b>	<b>Elements of Computer Science and its application in the study of Archaeology and Ancient Indian &amp; World History and Society.</b>	<b>Skill Enhancement course</b>	<b>1- 0- 1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>50</b>

Computer Applications in Archaeology or Ancient Indian History present innovative instructional approaches primarily based on the networked technologies. It provides researchers, scholars, and professionals a comprehensive global perspective on the resources, developments, applications, and implications of information, communication, and technology in multimedia-based educational systems and services in Archaeology or Ancient Indian History.

1. Input / 'enter research oriented or retrieved data inform of artefacts, sculptures, coins, inscriptions etc. collected from the field works or published materials in tabular form for further analysis. (2 hours)

2. Clear illustration and editing of photographs (sculptures, coins, inscriptions etc.) related to the research work in Archaeology and Ancient Indian History. (3hours)

- 3.** Prepare power-point presentations for any seminar/conference for better interaction/communication with the audience regarding the subject concerned. (3hours)
- 4.** Preparation of bar-diagrams, pie-charts, graphs etc. for lucid representation of the statistical/field data. (3 hours)
- 5.** Recently pottery drawings, tool drawings, stratified section drawings etc. are also done by using specific software. (3 hours)
- 6.** Mapping of the archaeological sites through GIS and remote sensing techniques. (5 hours)
- 7.** Access of the articles/publications/catalogues from India and abroad of the concerned subjects through JSTOR. (2 hour)
- 8.** Information regarding different museums in India and abroad including their collections (however not always fully accessible/visible) through internet. (3 hours)
- 9.** Quick searching of the locations, route maps, and coordinates (i.e. latitude and longitude) of the archaeological sites by Google Imagery. (2 hour)
- 10.** Details about the excavated archaeological sites (including years, authorities etc.) in different states of India, site-museums and publications of the Archaeological Survey of India (*IAR*, *ARASI*, *Epigraphia Indica* etc.) available in the website of the ASI. (3 hours)
- 11.** Information about the activities of different State Archaeological Departments available in their individual websites. (2 hours)
- 12.** Any kind of preliminary information (not exhaustive) about the concerned subjects through internet. (1 hours)

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BAHAIWH 501	Social Life of Ancient India: From the beginning till 1300 CE	Core course	4 - 2- 0	6	50

### Unit-1 (15 hours)

#### Early Indian Society (till 300 CE)

Pre- historic and Proto-historic society  
 Beginning of the Varna hierarchy in the Vedic period-  
 The *Ashrama* system and the *Samskaras*- *Varna* and  
*Jati*- Accommodation and contestation regarding  
 social incorporation of 'foreigners'.

### Unit-2 (18 hours)

#### Early Indian Society (c.300CE-1300CE)

Proliferation of castes- The Varnasankara theory, the rise of professional castes and the Varna /Jati system  
 Slavery  
 Untouchability – Position of the *antyajas*

### Unit-3 (17 hours)

#### Gender relations in early India

Paradigm shifts in gender studies  
 Representation of women in the Vedic literature – forms of marriage -  
 Gender relations from the Dharma sutras – women as donors in Inscription-  
 Property rights - concept of *Stridhan*

### Unit-4 (10 hours)

#### Gender relations in the Gupta and early medieval period

Courtesans and Devadasis  
 Property rights – Women saints

### Reading List:

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-----2001. *Early Medieval Indian Society: A Study in Feudalisation*, Kolkata.

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BAHAIWH 502	Ancient Indian Economy: From the beginning till 1300 CE	Core course	4 - 2- 0	6	50

### Unit-1 (15 hours)

#### Economic life from the origins to 400 BCE

Pre- historic and Proto- historic economy -  
 Beginning of economic life and first urbanization -  
 Pastoral economy – transition to agrarian economy  
 Growth of agrarian economy in the middle Ganga valley-  
 Second urbanization and beginning of coinage tradition.

### Unit-2 (15 hours)

#### Comparative Structures of Economies in some early states-Maurya- Satavahana -Kushana (c. 400BCE-300CE)

Introduction

Agrarian economy  
Non-agricultural production-crafts-guilds  
Monetization

### **Unit-3 (15 hours)**

#### **Economic Life – 300CE to 600 CE**

Land Grants and its politico-economic significance in the Gupta period-  
Crystallization of Agrahara system of land grants- agrarian expansion-  
Land tenure: nature and changes  
Proliferation of Crafts, Industries.

### **Unit-4 (15 hours)**

#### **Economic Life – post- Gupta period**

Patterns of Trade, Urbanization and Routes of communication-  
Trade and Urban Development- Third Urbanization  
Trading networks-both inland and maritime.  
Early Indian Merchants  
Different categories of market centers

#### **Reading List:**

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Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 503EHSA	Early History of Southeast Asia	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50

#### **Unit-1 (8 hours)**

Defining Southeast Asia -Peopling of Southeast Asia

Aspects of commonalty as well as diversity within Southeast Asia.

#### **Unit-2 (10 hours)**

An introduction to the basic cultural framework -Hunters and Gatherers

Neolithic Settlements-The Bronze Age -The Iron Age

#### **Unit-3 (7 hours)**

Routes of Movement from India and China to Southeast Asia-

An Overview of spheres of cultural interaction between a) countries of southeast Asia and India b) southeast Asia and China

Notion of Indianization and Sinicization

#### **Unit-4 (22 hours)**

State formation in mainland Southeast Asia- concept of Suvarna bhumi -An introduction Funan- Pyus- Dvaravati-Champa -Angkor

#### **Unit-5 (13 hours)**

State formation in maritime Southeast Asia – concept of Suvarna Dvipa- An introduction Early small States in Maritime Southeast Asia- Srivijaya kingdom, Java.

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BAHAIWH 503EHC	Early History of China	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2 - 0	6	50

### Unit-1 (15 hours)

Ancient Era-An Introduction

Shang Dynasty (ca. 1700-1046 BCE), Zhou Dynasty (1066-ca. 221 BCE)

Spring and Autumn Period (722-481 BCE), Warring States Period (476- 221 BCE)

### Unit-2 (10 hours)

Imperial era – An Introduction

Qin Dynasty (221 – 206 BCE)

Han Dynasty (202 BCE- 220 CE)

Wei and Jin Period (265- 420 CE)



### Unit-3 (20 hours)

Southern and Northern Dynasties (420-589 CE), Sui Dynasty (589-618CE)  
Tang Dynasty (618-907CE)  
Five Dynasties and Ten Kingdoms (907-960CE)  
Song Dynasty and Liao, Jin, Western Xia (960-1234CE)

### Unit-4 (6 hours)

Early History of Sino-Indian Maritime Trade -- Trade routes between India and China  
The Silk Route  
The Southern Silk route Trade and Diplomacy

### Unit-5 (9 hours)

Cultural interaction between India and China- An Introduction  
Dissemination of Buddhism in China  
Chinese Buddhist Pilgrims in India  
Presence of Tamil merchants in China and Brahmanical temples in Quanzhou, China.

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BAHAIWH 503 HAIH	Historiography of Ancient Indian History	Discipline Specific Elective	4-2-0	6	50

### Unit 1 (7 Hours)

What is History?  
Meaning and scope of History  
Subjectivity-Objectivity Debate in History

## **Unit 2 (9 Hours)**

The Colonial construction of India's past – Orientalists, German romantics, and Utilitarians – Eurocentrism – Pargiter's suggestion of an alternative model – Marx's idea about Indian history.

## **Unit 3 (8 Hours)**

Nationalist perceptions: R.C. Majumdar, H.C. Raychaudhuri, K.A. Nilakanta Sastri, K.P. Jayaswal, U.N. Ghoshal

## **Unit 4 (7 Hours)**

Indian Marxist historiography – D.D. Kosambi and his Combined Method of Indology – R.S. Sharma's contributions to early Indian history

## **Unit 5 (8 Hours)**

Post-colonial thinkers: Ashis Nandy, Vinay Lal, Ranajit Guha – Burton Stein and the concept of segmentary state – Indology in post-colonial India: A.L. Basham and Sheldon Pollock

## **Unit 6 (6 Hours)**

Romila Thapar and many voices of history – Rethinking the early medieval state: B.D. Chattopadhyaya and R. Champakalakshmi

## **Unit 7 (15 Hours)**

Towards a new social history: Uma Chakravarti, Kumkum Roy, Vivekananda Jha, Alok Parasher Sen – Early Indian economy in new lights: Rajan Gurukkal and Ranabir Chakravarti – Regional histories of early India: Hermann Kulke and Kunal Chakrabarti – Rethinking the history of ideas: Upinder Singh.

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BAHAIWH 601	History of Indian Art and Architecture	Core Course	4-2-0	6	50

### Unit-I (10 hours)

#### Understanding Indian Art:

Concept of Indian Art and Aesthetics  
 Different category of Art  
 Art as the source of Indian history and culture  
 Shilpa shastras

### Unit-II (18 hours)

#### Indian Architecture:

Early Indian Rock-cut Architecture- Pillar, Stupa, Chaitya, Vihara and Hindu cave temple  
 Indian temple architecture- Northern style, Southern style and Deccani style  
 Indo-Islamic Architecture-Sultani style and Mughal style  
 Colonial Architecture  
 Post-independence Architecture

### Unit-III (15 hours)

#### Indian Sculptural Art

Harappan art  
 Maurya and Sunga Art,  
 Art of Gandhara, Mathura, Amaravati and Sarnath  
 The Pala and Sena Art  
 Chola Art- Chola Bronzes

### Unit-IV (17 hours)

#### Indian Paintings:

Pre-historic Rock paintings  
 Mural paintings  
 Miniature paintings  
 Mughal paintings  
 Rajput painting  
 Modern painting

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BAHAIWH 602	Religious Ideologies in Early India: Belief and Practices	Core course	4 - 2- 0	6	50

### Unit-1 (8 hours)

Harappan and Vedic Religion: Harappan Civilization-Archaeological findings reflecting upon the religion of the people.

The Vedic pantheon and the changing pattern of life represented by a transition from nomadism to settled agriculture -- the dominance of male gods -- sacrificial practices and the centrality of the sacrificial rituals.

### Unit-2 (17 hours)

Changing Religious Scenario: Proliferation of Sects:

Introducing the changing religious scenario: The social and political background of Jainism and Buddhism  
Emergence and development of Jainism- doctrines, practices and literature  
Origins of Buddhism- The ideological background and the philosophical dimensions- doctrines, practices and literature  
Other sects: Ajivikas, Lokayatas etc.  
Rising importance of the Brahmanical religion- Different Brahmanical religious groups.

### **Unit-3 (10 hours)**

Buddhism and Jainism in early medieval India  
Forms of Mahayanism–Mahayanist gods and goddesses-- Ascendancy of Tantric Buddhism  
Major centres of Buddhism and Jainism

### **Unit-4 (10 hours)**

Brahmanical Cults:  
An overview of Vaishnavism  
Shaivism  
Saura Cult  
Shakti Cult

### **Unit-5 (7 hours)**

Minor deities:  
Ganapati, Skanda-Karttikeya as examples of religious syncretism in ancient India  
Manasa

### **Unit-6 (8 hours)**

Temples, Monasteries and Patronage: the Temple as an institution; Patronage to temples;  
Monasteries as institutions; Patronage to Monasteries

### **Reading List:**

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Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 603M	Museology	Discipline Specific Elective	4-2-0	6	50

**Unit 1: (16 hours)**

**Museum—Meaning, Definition, Scope & Function**

Definition of Museum

Aims and Objectives

Museology, Museography and Other Developments

Types and Classification of Museums

History of Museum development in India and Abroad

Collection Methodologies in Museums

Documentation of Museum Objects

Presentation (Exhibition)- exhibition design

Museum Education  
Research and Publication

## **Unit II: (10 hours)**

### **Laws governing cultural property:**

The Indian Treasure Trove Act, 1878

The Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, 1904

The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958

The Antiquities and Art Treasures Act, 1972

Wild Life Protection Act, 1972

The Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980

## **Unit 3: (25 hours)**

### **General Principles of Conservation:**

Definition of Conservation, Preservation & Restoration

Preventive and Curative Measures (Object specific)

Chemical Preservation of Antiquities- Basic Chemistry and Causes of Decay

Metallic Antiquities (Gold, Silver, Copper, Bronze, Lead, Iron): a) Ores, Source of Origin and Metallurgy, b) Causes of Decay and Corrosion, c) Consolidation and Treatment in the Field, d) Laboratory Treatment, Preservation and General Maintenance.

Organic Antiquities (Ivory, Bone, Horn, Leather, Parchment, Furs, Paper, Birch Bark, Palm Leaf, Wood, and Textile)- a) Material and Its Composition b) Causes of Decay, c) Treatment in Field and Laboratory, d) Fumigation, Bleeding, Strengthening, Drying and Lamination, d) Consolidation, Repairs and General Maintenance.

Siliceous, Calcareous and Argillaceous Antiquities (Stone, Semi-Precious Stone, Mineral, Mud, Terracotta, Pottery, Glass, Glaze, Faience, Stucco): a) Chemical Composition, b) Causes of Decay, c) Treatment in Field and Laboratory, d) Consolidation and Repair.

Paintings: Factors – Material Structure and Pigments, Causes of Decay, Treatment, Consolidation, Restoration, Repair and General Maintenance (Mural Paintings, Oil Paintings, Miniature Paper Paintings and Manuscripts, Paintings on Cloth, Glass, Wood, Ivory and Leather).

## **Unit IV: (9 hours)**

## **Museum Management:**

Museum Building- form and function

Museum Administrative Procedures

Museum Building Security- management & maintenance

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Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	L-T-P	Credit	Marks
BAHAIWH 603SIP	Study of Indian People: An Anthropological Approach	Discipline Specific Elective	4 -2 - 0	6	50

### Unit -1

Meaning and Scope of Anthropology; Role of Anthropology in the Reconstruction of Cultural Past; A Brief History of Indian Anthropological Thought; Eminent Anthropologists in India (S.C.Roy, N.K. Bose, D.N. Majumdar, etc.) and their Contributions in Reconstructing Socio-Cultural Past of Indian People.

### Unit - 2

Indian people: Ancient Literary Sources: Classical Accounts, Puranas, and Travelogues

### Unit - 3

Human Evolution

### Unit - 4

Concept and Genetic Basis of Race;  
Ethnic Groups and Racial Classification of Indian Human Population

### Unit - 5

Evolution of Social Stratification and the State: the Non-Rank, Non-Stratified Society, the Rank Society; from Egalitarian to Rank Society; the Stratified Society; the Transition to Stratified Society; the Transition to State.

### Unit- 6:

Anthropological Concept of Tribe, Definition and Characteristic Features of Tribes in India, Social Structure, Aspects of Tribal Economy, Political Organization and Religion; the Concept of Peasantry, Distinction between Tribes and Peasants; Rise of Tribal and Peasant Movements and Ethnic Issues.

## Unit -7:

Caste System and Its Structure: Ritual, Economic and Social Aspects of Caste. Relevance of Caste in Indian Social Structure, Changes in the Caste System.

## Unit 8:

Social Structure and Organization: the Concept of Family, Marriage, Kinship; Basic Issues of Economic, Political Organization, and Religious Organization.

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BAHAIWH 603AICE	Ancient Indian Cultural Encounter with other parts of South (Afghanistan, Nepal, Tibet and Sri Lanka) and Central Asia	Discipline Specific Elective	4 - 2- 0	6	50

### **Unit -1**

Origin and evolution of complex societies in South and Central Asia.

Pastoral Tribes of the Bronze age in the Oxus valley (Bactria).

Pastoral and Nomadic Tribes at the beginning of the First Millenium B.C.

The formation of Socio - political and Cultural History of South and Central Asia.

### **Unit-2**

Buddhism and other religions in Afghanistan.

Idea of Art in Afghanistan with special reference to Bamyian, Begram, hadda, Shoturak, Kabul, Tepe Sardar, Surkh Kotal.

### **Unit-3**

Origin and Development of Buddhism in Nepal. Hinduism in Nepal.

Growth of Art in Nepal.

### **Unit-4**

Buddhism in Srilanka Growth of Art in Srilanka

### **Unit-5**

Buddhism in Tibet Buddhism in Central Asia

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