HISTORY



PAPER I

- 1. Sources Archaeological sources:
 - Exploration, excavation, epigraphy, numismatics, monuments.
 - Literary sources:
 - Indigenous: Primary and secondary; poetry, scientific literature, literature in regional languages, religious literature.
 - · Foreign account: Greek, Chinese and Arab writers.
- 2. Pre-history and Proto-history:
 - Geographical factors; hunting and gathering (paleolithic and mesolithic);
 - Beginning of agriculture (neolithic and chalcolithic).
- 3. **Indus Valley Civilization**: Origin, date, extent, characteristics-decline, survival and significance, art and architecture.
- 4. **Megalithic Cultures**: Distribution of pastoral and farming cultures outside the Indus, Development of community life, Settlements, Development of agriculture, Crafts, Pottery, and Iron industry.
- 5. **Aryans and Vedic Period :** Expansions of Aryans in India : Vedic Period: Religious and philosophic literature; Transformation from Rig Vedic period to the later Vedic period; Political, social and economical life; Significance of the Vedic Age; Evolution of Monarchy and Varna system.







6. Period of Mahajanapadas:

- Formation of States (Mahajanapada): Republics and monarchies;
- Rise of urban centres; Trade routes; Economic growth; Introduction of coinage;
- Spread of Jainism and Buddism;
- Rise of Magadha and Nandas.
- Iranian and Mecedonian invasions and their impact.
- 7. **Mauryan Empire**: Foundation of the Mauryan Empire, Chandragupta, Kautilya and Arthashastra; Ashoka; Concept of Dharma; Edicts; Polity, Administration, Economy; Art, architecture and sculpture; External contacts; Religion; Spread of religion; Literature. Disintegration of the empire; sungas and Kanvas.
- 8. **Post-Mauryan Period** (Indo-Greeks, Sakas, Kushanas, Western Kshatrapas): Contact with outside world; growth of urban centres, economy, coinage, development of religions, Mahayana, social conditions, art, architecture, culture, literature and science.
- 9. Early State and Society in Eastern India, Deccan and South India:
 - Kharavela, The Satavahanas, Tamil States of the Sangam Age;
 - Administration, Economy, land grants, coinage, trade guilds and urban centres;
 - Buddhist centres; Sangam literature and culture; Art and architecture.

10. Guptas, Vakatakas and Vardhanas:

 Polity and administration, Economic conditions, Coinage of the Guptas, Land grants, Decline of urban centres, Indian feudalism,







 Caste system, Position of women, Education and educational institutions; Nalanda, Vikramshila and Vallabhi, Literature, scientific literature, art and architecture.

11. Regional States during Gupta Era:

- The Kadambas, Pallavas, Chalukyas of Badami; Polity and Administration, Trade guilds, Literature; growth of Vaishnava and Saiva religions.
- Tamil Bhakti movement, Shankaracharya; Vedanta;
- Institutions of temple and temple architecture;
- Palas, Senas, Rashtrakutas, Paramaras, Polity and administration; Cultural aspects.
- Arab conquest of Sind; Alberuni,
- The Chalukyas of Kalyana, Cholas, Hoysalas, Pandyas; Polity and Administration; Local Government;
- Growth of art and architecture, religious sects, Institution of temple and Mathas, Agraharas, education and literature, economy and society.

12. Themes in Early Indian Cultural History:

 Languages and texts, major stages in the evolution of art and architecture, major philosophical thinkers and schools, ideas in Science and Mathematics.

13. Early Medieval India, 750-1200:

- Polity: Major political developments in Northern India and the peninsula, origin and the rise of Rajputs.
- The Cholas: administration, village economy and society "Indian Feudalism".
- Agrarian economy and urban settlements.
- — Trade and commerce.
- Society: the status of the Brahman and the new social order.
- Condition of women.

Indian science and technology.

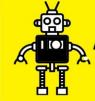






- 14. Cultural Traditions in India, 750-1200:
 - Philosophy: Skankaracharya and Vedanta, Ramanuja and Vishishtadvaita, Madhva and Brahma-Mimansa.
 - Religion: Forms and features of religion, Tamil devotional cult, growth of Bhakti, Islam and its arrival in India, Sufism.
 - Literature: Literature in Sanskrit, growth of Tamil literature, literature in the newly developing languages, Kalhan's Rajtarangini, Alberuni's India.
 - Art and Architecture: Temple architecture, sculpture, painting.
- 15. The Thirteenth Century:
 - Establishment of the Delhi Sultanate: The Ghurian invasions factors behind Ghurian success.
 - Economic, Social and cultural consequences.
 - Foundation of Delhi Sultanate and early Turkish Sultans.
 - Consolidation: The rule of Iltutmish and Balban.
- 16. The Fourteenth Century:
 - "The Khalji Revolution".
 - Alauddin Khalji: Conquests and territorial expansion, agrarian and economic measure.
 - Muhammad Tughluq: Major projects, agrarian measures, bureaucracy of Muhammad Tughluq.
 - Firuz Tugluq: Agrarian measures, achievements in civil engineering and public works, decline of the Sultanate, foreign contacts and Ibn Battuta's account.
- 17. Society, Culture and Economy in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Centuries:

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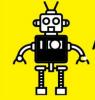
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- Society: composition of rural society, ruling classes, town dwellers, women, religious classes, caste and slavery under the Sultanate, Bhakti movement, Sufi movement.
- Culture: Persian literature, literature in the regional languages of North India, literature in the languages of South India, Sultanate architecture and new structural forms, painting, evolution of a composite culture.
- Economy: Agricultural Production, rise of urban economy and non-agricultural production, trade and commerce.
- 18. The Fifteenth and Early Sixteenth Century-Political Developments and Economy:
 - Rise of Provincial Dynasties : Bengal, Kashmir (Zainul Abedin), Gujarat.
 - Malwa, Bahmanids.
 - The Vijayanagara Empire.
 - ∘ Lodis.
 - Mughal Empire, first phase: Babur, Humayun.
 - The Sur Empire : Sher Shah's administration.
 - Portuguese colonial enterprise, Bhakti and Sufi Movements.
- 19. The Fifteenth and Early Sixteenth Century- Society and culture:
 - Regional cultures specificities.
 - Literary traditions.
 - Provincial architectural.
 - Society, culture, literature and the arts in Vijayanagara Empire.

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20. Akbar:

- Conquests and consolidation of empire.
- Establishment of jagir and mansab systems.
- — Rajput policy.
- Evolution of religious and social outlook. Theory of Sulhii-kul and religious policy.
- Court patronage of art and technology.
- 21. Mughal Empire in the Seventeenth Century:
 - Major administrative policies of Jahangir, Shahjahan and Aurangzeb.
 - The Empire and the Zamindars.
 - Religious policies of Jahangir, Shahjahan and Aurangzeb.
 - Nature of the Mughal State.
 - Late Seventeenth Century crisis and the revolts.
 - The Ahom kingdom.
 - Shivaji and the early Maratha Kingdom.
- 22. Economy and society, in the 16th and 17th Centuries:
 - Population Agricultural and craft production.
 - Towns, commerce with Europe through Dutch, English and French companies: a trade revolution.
 - Indian mercantile classes. Banking, insurance and credit systems.
 - Conditions of peasants, Condition of Women.
 - Evolution of the Sikh community and the Khalsa Panth.
- 23. Culture during Mughal Empire:
 - — Persian histories and other literature.
 - Hindi and religious literatures.
 - Mughal architecture.
 - — Mughal painting.
 - Provincial architecture and painting.
 - Classical music.

Science and technology.







24. The Eighteenth Century:

- Factors for the decline of the Mughal Empire.
- The regional principalities: Nizam's Deccan, Bengal, Awadh.
- Maratha ascendancy under the Peshwas.
- The Maratha fiscal and financial system.
- — Emergence of Afghan power Battle of Panipat, 1761.
- State of, political, cultural and economic, on eve of the British conquest.

PAPER-II

1. European Penetration into India:

- The Early European Settlements; The Portuguese and the Dutch;
- The English and the French East India Companies; Their struggle for supremacy; Carnatic Wars;
- Bengal-The conflict between the English and the Nawabs of Bengal; Siraj and the English; The Battle of Plassey;
 Significance of Plassey.

2. British Expansion in India:

- Bengal-Mir Jafar and Mir Kasim; The Battle of Buxar;
- Mysore;
- The Marathas;
- The three Anglo-Maratha Wars;
- The Punjab.

3. Early Structure of the British Raj:

- The Early administrative structure; From diarchy to direct contol; The Regulating Act (1773); The Pitt's India Act (1784); The Charter Act (1833);
- The Voice of free trade and the changing character of British colonial rule; The English utilitarian and India.







4. Economic Impact of British Colonial Rule:

- Land revenue settlements in British India; The Permanent Settlement; Ryotwari Settlement; Mahalwari Settlement; Economic impact of the revenue arrangements; Commercialization of agriculture; Rise of landless agrarian labourers; Impoverishment of the rural society.
- Dislocation of traditional trade and commerce; Deindustrialisation; Decline of traditional crafts; Drain of wealth; Economic transformation of India; Railroad and communication network including telegraph and postal services; Famine and poverty in the rural interior; European business enterprise and its limitations.
- 5. **Social and Cultural Developments:** The state of indigenous education, its dislocation; Orientalist-Anglicist controversy, The introduction of western education in India; The rise of press, literature and public opinion; The rise of modern vernacular literature; Progress of Science; Christian missionary activities in India.

6. Social and Religious Reform Movements in Bengal and Other Areas:

- Ram Mohan Roy, The Brahmo Movement; Devendranath Tagore; Iswarchandra Vidyasagar; The Young Bengal Movement;
- Dayanada Saraswati;
- The social reform movements in India including Sati, widow remarriage, child marriage etc.;
- The contribution of Indian renaissance to the growth of modern India;
- Islamic revivalism-the Feraizi and Wahabi Movements.







7. Indian Response to British Rule:

- Peasant movement and tribal uprisings in the 18th and 19th centuries including the Rangpur Dhing (1783), the Kol Rebellion (1832), the Mopla Rebellion in Malabar (1841-1920), the Santal Hul (1855), Indigo Rebellion (1859-60), Deccan Uprising (1875) and the Munda Ulgulan (1899-1900);
- The Great Revolt of 1857 —Origin, character, casuses of failure, the consequences;
- The shift in the character of peasant uprisings in the post-1857 period; the peasant movements of the 1920s and 1930s.

8. Birth of Indian Nationalism:

- Factors leading to the birth of Indian Nationalism;
- Politics of Association;
- The Foundation of the Indian National Congress; The Safetyvalve thesis relating to the birth of the Congress;
 Programme and objectives of Early Congress; the social composition of early Congress leadership; the Moderates and Extremists;
- The Partition of Bengal (1905); The Swadeshi Movement in Bengal; the economic and political aspects of Swadeshi Movement;
- The beginning of revolutionary extremism in India.

9. Gandhian Phase of Indian Nationalism:

- Rise of Gandhi; Character of Gandhian nationalism; Gandhi's popular appeal;
- Rowlatt Satyagraha; the Khilafat Movement; the Noncooperation Movement; National politics from the end of the Non-cooperation movement to the beginning of the Civil Disobedience Movement; the two phases of the Civil Disobedience Movement;

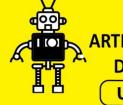






- Simon Commission; The Nehru Report; the Round Table
 Conferences; Nationalism and the Peasant Movements;
- Nationalism and Working class movements; Women and Indian youth and students in Indian politics (1885-1947);
- the election of 1937 and the formation of ministries; Cripps Mission; the Quit India Movement; the Wavell Plan; The Cabinet Mission.
- 10. **Constitutional Developments** in the Colonial India between 1858 and 1935.
- 11. Other strands in the National Movement.
 - The Revolutionaries: Bengal, the Punjab, Maharashtra, U.P.
 the Madras Presidency, Outside India.
 - The Left; The Left within the Congress: Jawaharlal Nehru,
 Subhas Chandra Bose, the Congress Socialist Party; the
 Communist Party of India, other left parties.
- 12. **Politics of Separatism;** the Muslim League; the Hindu Mahasabha; Communalism and the politics of partition; Transfer of power; Independence.
- 13. Consolidation as a Nation;
 - Nehru's Foreign Policy; India and her neighbours (1947-1964);
 - The linguistic reorganisation of States (1935-1947);
 Regionalism and regional inequality;
 - Integration of Princely States; Princes in electoral politics;
 - the Question of National Language.
- 14. Caste and Ethnicity after 1947; Backward Castes and Tribes in post-colonial electoral politics; Dalit movements.

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15. **Economic development and political change;**

- Land reforms;
- the politics of planning and rural reconstruction;
- Ecology and environmental policy in post-colonial India;
- Progress of Science.

16. Enlightenment and Modern ideas:

- Major Ideas of Enlightenment: Kant, Rousseau.
- Spread of Enlightenment in the colonies.
- Rise of socialist ideas (up to Marx); spread of Marxian Socialism.

17. Origins of Modern Politics:

- European States System.
- American Revolution and the Constitution.
- French Revolution and Aftermath, 1789-1815.
- American Civil War with reference to Abraham Lincoln and the abolition of slavery.
- British Democratic politics, 1815-1850 : Parliamentary Reformers, Free Traders, Chartists.

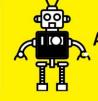
18. Industrialization:

- English Industrial Revolution : Causes and Impact on Society.
- Industrialization in other countries: USA, Germany, Russia, Japan.
- Industrialization and Globalization.

19. Nation-State System:

- Rise of Nationalism in 19th century.
- Nationalism : State-building in Germany and Italy.
- Disintegration of Empires in the face of the emergence of nationalities across the World.

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20. Imperialism and Colonialism:

- South and South-East Asia.
- Latin America and South Africa.
- Australia.
- Imperialism and free trade: Rise of neo-imperialism.

21. Revolution and Counter-Revolution:

- 19th Century European revolutions.
- The Russian Revolution of 1917-1921.
- Fascist Counter-Revolution, Italy and Germany.
- The Chinese Revolution of 1949.

22. World Wars:

- 1st and 2nd World Wars as Total Wars : Societal implications.
- World War I: Causes and Consequences.
- World War II: Causes and Consequences.

23. The World after World War II:

- Emergence of Two power blocs.
- Emergence of Third World and non-alignment.
- UNO and the global disputes.

24. Liberation from Colonial Rule:

- Latin America-Bolivar.
- Arab World-Egypt.
- Africa-Apartheid to Democracy.
- South-East Asia-Vietnam.

25. **Decolonization and Underdevelopment:**

Factors constraining Development; Latin America, Africa.

26. Unification of Europe:

- Post War Foundations; NATO and European Community.
- Consolidation and Expansion of European Community
- European Union.





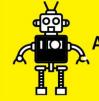


27. Disintegration of Soviet Union and the Rise of the Unipolar World:

- Factors leading to the collapse of Soviet Communism and Soviet Union, 1985-1991.
- Political Changes in East Europe 1989-2001.
- End of the Cold War and US Ascendancy in the World as the lone superpower.



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