

# **VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY**

Midnapore, West Bengal



*PROPOSED CURRICULUM & SYLLABUS (DRAFT) OF*

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## **BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH HISTORY (MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES)**

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**3-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME**  
*(w.e.f. Academic Year 2023-2024)*

*Based on*

**Curriculum & Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programmes  
(CCFUP), 2023 & NEP, 2020**

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**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HUMANITIES/ SOCIAL SCIENCE with HISTORY**  
*(Under CCFUP, 2023)*

Level	YR.	SEM	Course Type	Course Code	Course Title	Credit	L-T-P	Marks			
								CA	ESE	TOTAL	
B.A. in Human – ities/ Social Sc. with History	2 <sup>nd</sup>	III	<b>SEMESTER-III</b>								
			Major-A2	HISPMJ02	T: Medieval India <i>(To be studied by students taken History as Discipline- A )</i>	4	3-1-0	15	60	75	
			Major-A3	HISPMJ03	T: Environmental issues in India <i>(To be studied by students taken History as Discipline- A )</i>	4	3-1-0	15	60	75	
			SEC	SEC03	<i>To be taken from SEC-03 of Discipline C.</i>	3	0-0-3	10	40	50	
			AEC	AEC03	Communicative English-2 <i>(common for all programmes)</i>	2	2-0-0	10	40	50	
			MDC	MDC03	Multidisciplinary Course-3 <i>(to be chosen from the list )</i>	3	3-0-0	10	40	50	
			Minor-3 (Disc.-C3)	HISMIN03	T: Renaissance and Reformation <i>(To be studied by students taken History as Discipline- C )</i>	4	3-1-0	15	60	75	
		<b>Semester-III Total</b>						<b>20</b>			

MJP = Major Programme(Multidisciplinary), MI = Minor, A/B = Choice of Major Discipline; C= Choice of Minor Discipline; SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, AEC = Ability Enhancement Course, MDC = Multidisciplinary Course, CA= Continuous Assessment, ESE= End Semester Examination, T = Theory, P= Practical, L-T-P = Lecture-Tutorial-Practical, MIL = Modern Indian Language

MAJOR (MJ)

**MJ A/B-2: Medieval India**

**Credits 04**

**MJ A/B-2T: Medieval India**

**Full Marks: 75**

**Course contents:**

**Unit I:**

- a. Arab conquest of Sindh: nature and impact.
- b. Foundation, consolidation and expansion of the Delhi Sultanate from Qutb-ud-din Aibak to Firuz Shah Tughluq: polity and economy – market reforms and *iqta* system.
- c. Bhakti & Sufi movements.

**Unit II:** Emergence of provincial powers: Vijaynagara and Bahamani, Hussain Shahi and Illiyas Shahi dynasties.

**Unit III:**

- a. Establishment and consolidation of the Mughal State from Babur to Aurangzeb: polity and administrative structures.
- b. *Mansab* and *jagir* systems.
- c. State and religion.

**Unit IV:**

- a. The decline of the Mughal Empire - Interpreting the 18<sup>th</sup> century.
- b. Emergence of the regional powers.
- c. Establishment of colonial rule.

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Alavi, Seema (ed.), *The Eighteenth Century in India*
2. Bandyopadhyay, Sekhar, *From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India*
3. Bhargava, Meena, *The Decline of the Mughal Empire*
4. Bhargava, Meena, *Understanding Mughal India: Sixteenth to Eighteenth Centuries*
5. Chandra, Satish, *History of Medieval India*
6. Habib, Irfan, *Medieval India: The Study of a Civilization*
7. Habib, Irfan, *Economic History of Medieval India: A Survey*
8. Habib, Irfan, *The Agrarian System of Mughal India*
9. Habibullah, A.B.M., *The Foundation of Muslim Rule in India*
10. Hasan, S. Nurul, *Thoughts on Agrarian Relations in Mughal India*
11. Jackson, Peter, *The Delhi Sultanate: A Political and Military History*
12. Kulke, H. (ed.), *The State in India (1000-1700)*
13. Kumar, Sunil, *The Emergence of the Delhi Sultanate*
14. Raychaudhuri, T.K and Habib, I. (ed.), *The Cambridge Economic History of India, Vol. II & II*
15. Stein, Burton, *Vijayanagara*

16. Alam, Muzaffar and Subhramanyan, Sanjay (eds.), *The Mughal State*
17. Ali, M. Athar, *Mughal India: Studies in Polity, Ideas, Society and Culture*
18. Richards, J.F., *The Mughal Empire*
19. চন্দ্র, সতীশ, মধ্যযুগের ভারত (প্রথম খণ্ড): সুলতানি আমল থেকে মুঘল আমল, দিল্লি সুলতান (১২০৫-১৫২৬)।
20. চন্দ্র, সতীশ, মধ্যযুগের ভারত (দ্বিতীয় খণ্ড): সুলতানি আমল থেকে মুঘল আমল, মুঘল সাম্রাজ্য (১৫২৬-১৭৪৮)।
21. বন্দ্যোপাধ্যায়, শেখর, পলাশী থেকে পার্টিশন: আধুনিক ভারতের ইতিহাস, ওরিয়েন্ট লংম্যান, কলকাতা।
22. রায়, অনিরুদ্ধ, মধ্যযুগের ভারতের ইতিহাস: সুলতানি আমল, ওরিয়েন্ট লংম্যান, কলকাতা।
23. রায়, অনিরুদ্ধ, মুঘল সাম্রাজ্যের উত্থান-পতনের ইতিহাস (প্রথম খণ্ড), প্রগতিশীল প্রকাশক, কলকাতা।
24. রায়, অনিরুদ্ধ, মুঘল সাম্রাজ্যের উত্থান-পতনের ইতিহাস (দ্বিতীয় খণ্ড), প্রগতিশীল প্রকাশক, কলকাতা।
25. হাবিব, ইরফান, মধ্যযুগের ভারতের অর্থনৈতিক ইতিহাস, প্রোগ্রেসিভ পাবলিশার্স, কলকাতা।
26. হাবিব, ইরফান, মধ্যকালীন ভারত ১-৪ খণ্ড, কে পি বাগচী অ্যান্ড কোম্পানী, কলকাতা।

**MJ A2/B3: Environmental Issues in India**

**Credits 04**

**MJ A2/B3T: Environmental Issues in India**

**Full Marks: 75**

**Course Objectives:**

This course intends to provide an extensive and deeper understanding of environmental issues and its impact on society to history students. It focuses on the impact of environmental status in different regime of historical times.

**Course Contents:**

**Unit I: Social perspectives on environment**

Studying human-nature interactions - Recent Trends - The concept of Anthropocene.

**Unit II: Colonialism and Environment**

Geographical, Ecological and Cultural thought in Pre-colonial India about the Environment.

New Regimes of Land, Forests, Water and Irrigation;

Resistances to New Regimes: Peasants, Adivasi/Tribal and Pastoralists.

**Unit III: Independent India and Environment**

Forests; Human-wildlife conflict, threat to Bio-diversity,

Water; Dams, Displacement, Pollution, Degradation, Environmental Movements

Mitigating Hunger-Green Revolution

## Unit IV: Environmental Concerns in a Globalizing World

### Climate Change and Global Efforts

#### Suggested Readings:

1. Mahesh Rangarajan, *Environmental Issues in India*, New Delhi: Pearson, 2007
2. Anil Agarwal, et al, *The State of India's Environment, The Second Citizens' Report*, Delhi: Centre for Science and Environment, 1985
3. Madhav Gadgil & Ramchandran Guha, *This Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India*, Delhi, OUP, 1990
4. -----*Ecology and Equity, the Use and Abuse of Nature in Contemporary India*, 1995
5. David Arnold and Ramchandra Guha (eds.) *Nature, Culture, Imperialism*, Delhi, OUP, 1995
6. Salim Ali, *The Fall of a Sparrow*, 1985
7. Agarwal Anil and S. Narain, eds. *The Fifth Citizen's Report on the Environment in India*. Delhi: Centre for Science and Environment, 1999.
8. Agarwal, Anil, et al, eds. *The First Citizens' Report on the Environment in India*. Delhi: Centre for Science and Environment, 1982
9. Divyabhanusinh. *The End of a Trail: History of Cheetah in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1990.
10. Grove, Richard, Vinita Damodaran and Satpal Sangwan, eds. *Nature and the Orient: The Environmental History of South and Southeast Asia*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2000.
11. Guha R. *Environmentalism: A Global History*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2001.
12. Lahiri Nayanjot. ed. *The Decline and Fall of the Indus Civilization*. Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2002.
13. McNeill J.R., *Something New Under the Sun: An Environmental History of Twentieth Century World*. New York & London: W.W. Morton & Company, 2000.
14. Rajan S. Ravi, 'Toward a Metaphysic of Environmental Violence: The Case of the Bhopal Gas Disaster' in *Violent Environments*. Edited by Nancy Lee Peluso and Michael Watts, 380-98. Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press, 2001.
15. Rangarajan Mahesh and K. Sivaramakrishnan, eds. *India's Environmental History*. Two Volumes. Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2012.
16. Ratnagar Shereen. *Understanding Harappa: Civilization in the Greater Indus Valley*. New Delhi: Tulika, 2001.
17. Shiva Vandana. *The Violence of the Green Revolution*. London and New Jersey: Zed Books, 1993
18. বাগচী, দেবারতি, 'উপনিবেশের জমি-জঙ্গল, কৃষি-পরিবেশ', ইতিহাসের বিতর্ক, বিতর্কের ইতিহাস। সম্পাঃ প্রত্যয় নাথ ও কৌস্তুভ মণি সেনগুপ্ত, আনন্দ, ২০২১।
19. হাবিব, ইরফান, মানুষ ও পরিবেশঃ ভারতবর্ষের বাস্তুতান্ত্রিক ইতিহাস, প্রথ্রেসিভ, ২০১৫।

**MINOR (MI)**

**MI-3/C3: Same as Minor-3 (HISMIN03) of History (Hons.) programme**

**Credits 04**

**Full Marks: 75**

**SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (SEC)**

*(To be studied by students taken History as Discipline- C)*

**SEC-03P: Same as SEC-03(HISSEC03) of History (Hons) programme**

**Credits 03**

**Marks: 50**