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Course III

Material Remains as Source of Ancient Indian History and Culture

Unit I(A) Introduction

Nature, Retrieval and Classification of data.

(B) Pre-historic to Early Historic Excavated remains

Reconstruction of Socio-Economic and religious life on the basis of following:

1. Tools
2. Pottery
3. Beads, seals-sealings and metal objects
4. Non-artifactual remains: Botanical and Zoological

Unit II. Coins, Seals and Sealings of the Historical period

5. Nature and Classifications
6. Historical importance of coins, seals and sealings

Unit-III. Epigraphs

7. Nature and classification of Inscriptions
8. Reconstruction of Political and Cultural History from Inscriptions
9. Significance of Palaeography in dating

Unit IV. Sculptures and Paintings

10. Reconstruction of history on the basis of followings: Stone, Terracotta and Metal sculptures
11. Pre-historic Rock paintings and Murals of Ajanta

Unit-V. Structure and Monuments

Historical importance of

A. Non-religious structure

12. Forts, Palaces, Tanks and wells

B. Religious Structures & Monuments

13. Stūpa : with special reference to Sanchi and Amaravati
14. Temples : with special Reference to Pallava Rathas and Kāndariyā Mahādeva temple of Khajurāho

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Course IV

History & Culture of Indian People (upto the Maurya Period)

Unit-I Introduction

1. Sources: Literary and Archaeological
2. Survey of Literature
3. Objective

Unit-II Nomadism to Sedentism

4. Nomadic Communities and Hunting -Gathering economy
5. Early farming communities and beginning of settled life
6. Village communities and early use of metals
7. Emergence of first cities: Indus -Saraswati basin : Agrarian base, Trade & Commerce and Decline

Unit-III. Āryans : Archaeological & Literary Correlations

8. Early Vaidika Culture: Homeland, Material remains, Economy, Political Structure
9. Later Vaidika Culture: Movements and Migrations, Settlements and rise of Political System, Material remains, Technology and Economy
10. A brief survey of Pan India Geneology

Unit-IV The Age of Janapadas

11. Emergence of State: Monarchical and Confederacies
12. Urbanisation: Process, Factors, Settlement and hierarchy
13. Religious movements

Unit-V The Age of Imperialism up to the Mauryas

14. Nanda dynasty
15. A brief survey of foreign invasions & impact
16. Maurya dynasty
17. Material culture during Maurya Period

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Course II

Protoshistoric and Early Historic Archaeology of the Indian Subcontinent

- Unit I. Beginning & Early phase of Copper-Bronze Age**
1. Village communities of North, North-West : Pre- and Early Harappan Cultures of Baluchistan, Afghanistan and Sindh
 2. Pre-early Harappan Cultures of Haryana-Punjab and Rajasthan
- Unit-II. Urban trends in Bronze Age**
3. Bronze Age Urbanization: Concept and theories
 4. Indus-Saraswati Valley Civilization: Origin, extent, chronology, main characteristics, Settlement and town planning, Technologies, Trade & commerce, Script, Religion and State
 5. Decline: Theories of urban decline, Harappan culture in Gujarat and Saurashtra, Late Harappan Cultures in Punjab and Haryana
- Unit-III. Non-Urban Copper using Cultures**
6. Chalcolithic Cultures of Rajasthan
 7. Chalcolithic Cultures of Madhya Pradesh
 8. Chalcolithic Cultures of Maharashtra
 9. Chalcolithic Cultures of U.P., Bihar and Bengal
 10. The Copper using itinerant communities of the Gangetic Plains: Copper hoards and Ochre Colour Pottery
- Unit-IV. Early Iron Age Culture**
11. Early Iron Age Cultures of North India: Painted Grey Ware Cultures, Extent, Chronology, settlement pattern and authorship
 12. Megalithic Culture : Types and Material remains
- Unit-V. Concept and Theories of Iron Age Urbanization**
13. Northern Black Polished Ware Culture, extent, chronology and characteristic traits
 14. Rise of cities in the Gangetic plain

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Course II

Scripts and Epigraphs from Maurya to Kuṣāṇa Period

- Unit I. Introduction**
1. Geographical background
 2. General features of Maurya to Kuṣāṇa Epigraphs
 3. Development of Scripts : Maurya to Kuṣāṇa
- Unit II. Eras and Dating System (समय निर्धारण)**
4. Vikram Samvat
 5. Śaka Samvat
- Unit III. Decipherment and Historical significance of Aśokan Epigraphs**
6. Bairāt Edict, Sircar, SI, Book 1, No. 37
 7. Twelfth Rock edict, Sircar, SI, Book 1, No. 17
 8. Thirteenth Rock edict, Sircar, SI, Book 1, No. 18
 9. First separate Rock edict (Dhaulti Version). Sircar, SI, Book 1, No. 20
- Unit IV. Decipherment and Historical Significance of Chedi, Sātavāhana and Ikṣvāku Epigraphs**
10. Hāthigumphā inscription of Khāravela, Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 31
 11. Nāsik inscription of Vāsiṣṭhīputra Pulumāvi, Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 36
 12. Nāgārajunikonḍa inscription of Vīrapuruṣadatta, Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 100
- Unit V. Decipherment and Historical Significance of Śaka and Kuṣāṇa Inscriptions**
- 13. Taxila Plate of Patika, Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 27
 14. Shinkota steatite casket inscription, Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 14
 15. Nasik cave inscription of the time of Nahapāna. Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 59
 16. Junagarh inscription of Rudradāman, Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 67
 17. Rabataka inscription of Kaniṣka year 1st, Indian Museum Bulletin, Kolkata. 1995
 18. Mathura inscription of Hūviṣka -Year 28, Sircar, SI, Book II, No. 49
- * Students are required to decipher & transcribe the prescribed Brāhmī inscriptions only.

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Course III

Scripts and Epigraphs of Guptas and Vākāṭakas

- Unit-I. Introduction**
1. Geographical Background
 2. General features of Gupta and Vākāṭaka Epigraphs

Rock edict: 12 नमो
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Epigraphy: 3 नमो (पञ्चम)

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Course II

Coinage of Rulers of Foreign Origin

Unit-I. Introduction

1. History of Numismatic studies
2. Chief characteristics of coins
3. Importance of coins for reconstruction of History
4. A brief survey and significance of Seals and Sealings

Unit-II. Indo-Greek and Roman Coins

5. Coins of Indo-Greek Rulers : Euthydemus, Demetrius, Eucratides, Diodotus, Menander, Agathacles and Strato; Commerative and joint issues
6. Roman Coins

Unit-III. Coinage of Śakas, Pahlavas and Western Kṣatrapas

7. Mathura
8. Ujjaini
9. Maharashtra
10. Taxila
11. Coins of Pahlavas

Unit-IV. Kuṣāṇa Coins -A

12. Kujul Kadphises
13. Vim Kadphises
14. Problem of Sotar Megas
15. Kaniška I

Unit V. Kuṣāṇa Coins- B

16. Huviška
17. Vāsudeva
18. Kidāra Kuṣāṇa

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Ancient Indian Economy

- Unit-I. Introduction**
1. Significance of the study of economic Life in Ancient India
 2. Sources for the reconstruction of economic life
 3. Meaning and significance of *Vārttā*
 4. Historiography
- Unit-II. Early Ancient Indian Economy**
5. Primitive Systems
 6. Harappan Systems
 7. Vaidika agriculture
 8. Urban economy in the 6th century B.C. : Crafts, Trades, Trade Routes and Agriculture
- Unit-III. Development of Economic Systems and Institutions**
- A :** Money Economy and Trade
9. Exchange and Currency
 10. Indo-Roman trade from c. 2nd B.C. - 3rd Century A.D
 11. Maritime trade and trade routes: East and West
- B :** Institutionalisation of Peasants, artisans and merchants
12. Artisanal and mercantile guilds
 13. Labour and slavery
 14. Land Ownership
 15. Taxation and Revenue system
- Unit-IV. A Survey of Economy During:**
16. Mauryas
 17. Gupta and
 18. Chola Periods
- Unit-V. Early Medieval Economy**
19. Main Characteristics and the notion of urban decay
 20. Feudalism: Origin, development and its control over economy
 21. Temple Economy : Nature and significance

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Course II

Vaiṣṇavism, Śaivism & Minor Religious Systems

Unit-I. Introduction

1. Survey of Literatures; Sources
2. Main features of Theistic Religion

Unit-II. Vaiṣṇavism

3. Evolution of the cult of Viṣṇu in North and South.
4. Vaiṣṇava sects—their history and doctrines
5. Bhagavat Gītā : Main Teachings

Unit-III. Śaivism & Śākta Sect

6. Evolution of the cult of Śiva in north and south
7. Śaiva sects—their history & characteristics
8. Origin, Development and Main features of Śākta Sect

Unit-IV. Minor Cult & Folk Religion

9. Brahmā
10. Sūrya
11. Skanda-Kārttikeya
12. Gaṇeśa
13. Devī
14. Yakṣas & Nāgas

Unit-V. Smārta – Paurāṇika religion

15. Pañcādevopāsanā
16. Tīrtha
17. Vrata and dāna

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