

There will be two group of questions. Question No.1 will be very short answer type in Group A consisting of five questions of 1 mark each. Question No.2 will be short answer type of 5 marks. Group B will contain descriptive type two questions of ten marks each, out of which any one to answer.

The Semester Internal Examination shall have two components. (a) One Semester Internal Assessment Test (SIA) of 20 Marks, (b) Class Attendance Score (CAS) of 5 marks. Conversion of Attendance into score may be as follows: (Attendance Upto 45%, 1mark; 45<Attd.<55, 2 marks; 55<Attd.<65, 3 marks; 65<Attd.<75, 4 marks; 75<Attd, 5 marks)

End Semester Examination (ESE 75 marks):

There will be two group of questions. Group A is compulsory which will contain three questions. Question No.1 will be very short answer type consisting of five questions of 1 mark each. Question No.2 & 3 will be short answer type of 5 marks. Group B will contain descriptive type six questions of fifteen marks each, out of which any four are to answer.

Note: There may be subdivisions in each question asked in Theory Examinations.

**EARLY INDIA (FROM EARLIEST DAYS TO 550 AD)**

Theory: 90 Lectures

Course Objectives & Learning Outcomes:

1. As a history student will learn about the historiographical trends, interpretation of the historical sources of ancient India as well.
2. They can acquire knowledge about the Vedic Period and the rise of Jainism and Buddhism culture in ancient times of India

Course Content:

**UNIT- I: Sources, Historiography and Prehistoric India**

1. Sources and Historiographical trends of ancient Indian History up to 550 C.E.
2. Survey of Prehistoric India: Paleolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic and Chalcolithic Cultures.
3. The Indus – Saraswati Civilization, Debate on the relationship of Indus, Saraswati civilization and Vedic civilization.
4. Significant features of Indus- Saraswati Civilization, its continuity, fall and survival.

**UNIT- II: Aryan Civilization**

1. Original home of Aryans, Myths of Aryan Invasion: Various theories,
2. Vedic Cultures: early Vedic and post Vedic Literature and Vedic Polity, Society and Economy
3. Vedic Religion and Philosophy.
4. Epic literature and Culture: Problem of Dating and Historicity of Epics.

**UNIT- III: India from Sixth Century BCE to Mauryan Age**

1. Sources
2. India in sixth century BC E Mahajanpada, Republic and Growth of Urban centres, Rise of Magadhan Imperialism.
3. Religious systems in 6th century BCE, Buddhism and Jainism.