

# DSC (Discipline Specific Course)

Syllabi and S.O.E. for Multidisciplinary with Hons. for U.G. w.e.f. 2024-25 session

## Syllabi for Under Graduate Programme Multidisciplinary with Hons. in One Major Discipline in History

Semester: 1st Semester

Session: 2024-25

Name of the Program	Under Graduate Multidisciplinary with Hons. in One Major Discipline	Program Code	
Name of the Course	<u>Ancient History of India</u>	Course Code	24HISM401DS01
Hours per week	4	Course Credits	4
Max. Marks	100 {External (term-end exam) – 70} (Internal – 30)	Time of Examination	3 Hours
<b>Note:</b> Examiner will set nine questions and the candidates will be required to attempt five questions in all. Question number one will be compulsory containing short answer type questions from all units. Further, examiner will set two questions from each unit and the candidates will be required to attempt one question from each Unit. All questions will carry equal marks.			
<b>Course Learning Outcomes (CLO):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Students will be able to get the basic knowledge of ancient India.</li><li>2. Students will be able to understand the growth and impacts of tool technology in India.</li><li>3. Students will be able to get basic knowledge of different culture changes over the time period.</li><li>4. Students will be able to effectively understand the relevance of religious revolt for Society.</li></ol>			
<b>Unit - I</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Sources of Ancient India: Types and Uses</li><li>2. Stone Age: Food gathering hunting stage; Food producing stage</li><li>3. Harappan Civilization: Origin, Extent and Town Planning; Economy and Religion; Problem of Decay</li><li>4. The Vedic Age: Society, Economy, Polity and Religion</li></ol>			
<b>Unit - II</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Second Urbanization and the rise of Territorial States</li><li>2. New Religious Movements: Jainism &amp; Buddhism</li><li>3. Mauryan Empire: Formation and Consolidation, Ashoka's Dhamma, Social and Economic conditions, Decline of Empire</li></ol>			
<b>Unit - III</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Post Mauryan Age: The Kushanas, Sangam Age: Satavahanas, Cholas and Pandyas.</li><li>2. Gupta Empire: Formation and Consolidation, Contribution to Indian Culture</li><li>3. Pushabhutis: Harshvardhan, Tripartite Struggle, Historical Background to the Establishment of Delhi Sultanate.</li></ol>			
<b>Unit - IV</b>			
<b>Maps:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Important sites of Harappan Civilization</li><li>2. Extent of Ashoka's Empire and Pillars Edicts</li><li>3. Ports, Trade routes of Ancient India</li><li>4. Extent of Kushana's Empire</li><li>5. Extent of Harshavardhana Empire</li></ol>			

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**Note: In addition, students are advised to consult the current Research Journal of History.**