# HISTORY (Code No. 027) Class XII, Syllabus (2016-17)

Paper One 100 Marks

Periods	Marks	
55	25	
65	25	
80	25	
10	05	
10	20	
220	100	
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# Class XII: Themes in Indian History

	Themes	Objectives			
	PART - I				
1.	The Story of the First Cities: Harappan Archaeology. (13)	<ul> <li>Familiarize the learner with early urban centres as economic and social institutions.</li> </ul>			
	road overview: Early urban centres. tory of discovery: Harappan civilization xcerpt: Archaeological report on a major	<ul> <li>Introduce the ways in which new data can le to a revision of existing notions of history.</li> <li>Illustrate how archaeological reports</li> </ul>			
	site. <b>Discussion:</b> How it has been utilized by archaeologists/historians.				
2.	Political and Economic History: How Inscriptions tell a story.  Broad overview: Political and economic history from the Mauryan to the Gupta period.  Story of discovery: Inscriptions and the decipherment of the script. Shifts in the understanding of political and economic history.	<ul> <li>Familiarize the learner with major trends in the political and economic history of the subcontinent.</li> <li>Introduce inscriptional analysis and the ways in which these have shaped the understanding of political and economic processes.</li> </ul>			
	Excerpt: Asokan inscription and Gupta period land grant.				
	<b>Discussion:</b> Interpretation of inscriptions by historians.	<ul> <li>Familiarize the learner with issues in social history.</li> </ul>			
3.	Social Histories: Using the Mahabharata (14)	Introduce strategies of textual analysis and			

**Broad overview:** Issues in social history, including caste, class, kinship and gender.

**Story of discovery:** Transmission and publications of the Mahabharata.

**Excerpt:** from the Mahabharata, illustrating how it has been used by historians.

**Discussion:** Other sources for reconstructing social history.

- 4. A History of Buddhism: Sanchi Stupa (14)
  Broad overview:
  - (a) A brief review of religious histories of Vedic religion, Jainism, Vaisnavism, Saivism.
  - (b) Focus on Buddhism.

Story of discovery: Sanchi stupa

**Excerpt:** Reproduction of sculptures from Sanchi.

**Discussion:** Ways in which sculpture has been interpreted by historians, other sources for reconstructing the history of Buddhism.

#### **PART-II**

- 5. Agrarian Relations: The Ain-i- Akbari (13)
  Broad overview:
  - (a) Structure of agrarian relations in the 16th and 17th centuries.
  - (b) Patterns of change over the period.

**Story of Discovery:** Account of the compilation and translation of Ain-i-Akbari.

**Excerpt:** from the Ain-i-Akbari

**Discussion:** Ways in which historians have used the text to reconstruct history.

6. The Mughal Court: Reconstructing (13) Histories through Chronicles

# **Broad overview:**

- (a) Outline of political history 15th-17th centuries.
- (b) Discussion of the Mughal court and politics.

**Story of Discovery:** Account of the production of court chronicles, and their subsequent translation and transmission.

**Excerpts:** from the Akbarnama and Padshahnama.

Discussion: Ways in which historians have used

their use in reconstructing social history.

- Discuss the major religious developments in early India.
- Introduce strategies of visual analysis and their use in reconstructing histories of religion.

- Discuss developments in agrarian relations.
- Discuss how to supplement official documents with other sources.

- Familiarize the learner with the major landmarks in political history.
- Show how chronicles and other sources are used to reconstruct the histories of political institutions.

the texts to reconstruct political histories.

# 7. New Architecture: Hampi Broad overview:

(13)

- (a) Outline of new buildings during Vijayanagar period-temples, forts, irrigation facilities.
- (b) Relationship between architecture and the political system.

**Story of Discovery:** Account of how Hampi was found.

Excerpt: Visuals of buildings at Hampi

**Discussion:** Ways in which historians have analyzed and interpreted these structures.

8. Religious Histories: The Bhakti-Sufi Tradition (13)

## **Broad overview:**

- (a) Outline of religious developments during this period.
- (b) Ideas and practices of the Bhakti-Sufi saints.

**Story of Transmission:** How Bhakti-Sufi compositions have been preserved.

**Excerpt:** Extracts from selected Bhakti-Sufi works.

**Discussion:** Ways in which these have been interpreted by historians.

9. Medieval Society through Travelers' (13)
Accounts

# **Broad overview:**

Outline of social and cultural life as they appear in travelers' accounts.

**Story of their writings:** A discussion of where they travelled, why they travelled, what they wrote, and for whom they wrote.

Excerpts: from Alberuni, Ibn Batuta, Bernier.

**Discussion:** What these travel accounts can tell us and how they have been interpreted by historians.

PART - III (Periods 80)

10. Colonialism and Rural Society: Evidence from Official Reports (13)

#### **Broad overview:**

(a) Life of zamindars, peasants and artisans in the late 18th century

- Familiarize the learner with the new buildings that were built during the time.
- Discuss the ways in which architecture can be analyzed to reconstruct history.

- Familiarize the learner with religious developments.
- Discuss ways of analyzing devotional literature as sources of history.

- Familiarize the learner with the salient features of social histories described by the travelers.
- Discuss how travelers' accounts can be used as sources of social history.

- Discuss how colonialism affected zamindars, peasants and artisans.
- Understand the problems and limits of using official sources for understanding the lives of people.

- (b) East India Company, revenue settlements and surveys.
- (c) Changes over the nineteenth century.

**Story of official records:** An account of why official investigations into rural societies were undertaken and the types of records and reports produced.

**Excerpts:** From Firminger's Fifth Report, Accounts of Frances Buchanan-Hamilton, and Deccan Riots Report.

**Discussion:** What the official records tell and do not tell, and how they have been used by historians.

## 11. Representations of 1857

(13)

#### Broad overview:

- (a) The events of 1857-58.
- (b) How these events were recorded and narrated.

Focus: Lucknow.

**Excerpts:** Pictures of 1857. Extracts from contemporary accounts.

**Discussion:** How the pictures of 1857 shaped British opinion of what had happened.

# 12. Colonialism and Indian Towns: (13) Town Plans and Municipal Reports

**Broad overview:** The growth of Mumbai, Chennai, hill stations and cantonments in the 18th and 19th centuries.

**Excerpts:** Photographs and paintings. Plans of cities. Extract from town plan reports. Focus on Kolkata town planning.

**Discussion:** How the above sources can be used to reconstruct the history of towns. What these sources do not reveal.

# 13. Mahatma Gandhi through Contemporary (13) Eyes

# **Broad overview:**

- (a) The Nationalist Movement 1918 48.
- (b) The nature of Gandhian politics and leadership.

Focus: Mahatma Gandhi in 1931.

**Excerpts:** Reports from English and Indian language newspapers and other contemporary writings.

Discussion: How newspapers can be a source

- Discuss how the events of 1857 are being reinterpreted.
- Discuss how visual material can be used by historians.
- Familiarize the learner with the history of modern urban centres. Discuss how urban histories can be written by drawing on different types of sources.

- Familiarize the learner with significant elements of the Nationalist Movement and the nature of Gandhian leadership.
- Discuss how Gandhi was perceived by different groups.
- Discuss how historians need to read and interpret newspapers, diaries and letters as historical source.
- Discuss the last decade of the national movement, the growth of communalism and the story of partition.
- Understand the events through the experience of those who lived through these years of communal violence.
- Show the possibilities and limits of oral sources.

of history.

# 14. Partition through Oral Sources

(14)

#### **Broad overview:**

- (a) The history of the 1940s.
- (b) Nationalism, Communalism and Partition. Focus: Punjab and Bengal.

**Excerpts:** Oral testimonies of those who experienced partition.

**Discussion:** Ways in which these have been analyzed to reconstruct the history of the event.

# 15. The Making of the Constitution

(14)

#### **Broad overview:**

- (a) Independence and the new nation state.
- (b) The making of the Constitution.

Focus: The Constitutional Assembly debates.

Excerpts: from the debates.

**Discussion:** What such debates reveal and how they can be analyzed.

16. Map Work on Units 1-15

(10)

• Familiarize students with the history of the early years after independence.

- Discuss how the founding ideals of the new nation state were debated and formulated.
- Understand how such debates and discussions can be read by historians.

17. Project Work (10 periods)

# Please refer Circular for project work guidelines.

Project work will help students:

- To develop skill to gather data from a variety of sources, investigate diverse viewpoints and arrive at logical deductions.
- To develop skill to comprehend, analyze, interpret, evaluate historical evidence and understand the limitation of historical evidence.
- To develop 21st century managerial skills of co-ordination, self-direction and time management.
- To learn to work on diverse cultures, races, religions and lifestyles.
- To learn through constructivism-a theory based on observation and scientific study.
- To inculcate a spirit of inquiry and research.
- To communicate data in the most appropriate form using a variety of techniques.
- To provide greater opportunity for interaction and exploration.
- To understand contemporary issues in context to our past.
- To develop a global perspective and an international outlook.
- To grow into caring, sensitive individuals capable of making informed, intelligent and independent choices.
- To develop lasting interest in history discipline.

# HISTORY (027) CLASS XII (2016-17) Design of the Question Paper

Paper One 100 Marks

Units	Periods	Marks
Themes in Indian History Part-I Units 1 - 4	55	25
Themes in Indian History Part-II Units 5 - 9	65	25
Themes in Indian History Part-III Units 10 - 15	80	25
Unit 16: Map Work	10	5
Project Work	10	20
	220	100

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		QUESTI	ON PAPE	R DESIG	N (2016	5-17)			
	TORY		Code I	No. 027					Class- XII
S. No	e: 3 Hours  Typology of Questions	Learning outcomes and Testing Compete- ncies	V. Short Answer (2 Marks)	Short Answer (4 Marks)	Source Based (7 Marks)	Long Answer (8 Marks)	Map Skill (5 Marks)	Max. Marks	% Weightag e
1	Remembering- (Knowledge based simple recall questions, to know specific facts, terms, concepts, principles, or theories; Identify, define, or recite, information)	incies	1	1	-	1	-	14	18%
2	Understanding- (Comprehension -to be familiar with meaning and to understand conceptually, interpret, compare, contrast, explain, paraphrase information)		1	1	1	1	-	21	26%
3	Application- (Use abstract information in concrete situation, to apply knowledge to new situations; Use given content to interpret a situation, provide an example, or solve a problem) (Map skill based questions-Identification, location, significance.)	<ul> <li>Reasoning</li> <li>Analytical Skills</li> <li>Map identification skills, etc.</li> </ul>	-	1 (value based) +1	1	-	1	20	25%
4	High Order Thinking Skills- (Analysis & Synthesis- Classify, compare, contrast, or differentiate between different pieces of information; Organize and/or integrate unique pieces of information from a variety of sources)		1	1	1	1	-	21	26%
5	Evaluation- (Appraise, judge, and/or justify the value or worth of a decision or outcome, or to predict outcomes based on values)		-	1	-	-	-	4	5%
			One from each book	Two from each book	Each theme on question	Each theme one question			
	Total		3x2=6	6x4=24	3x7= 21	3x8=24	1x5 =5	80	100%

Note: Each source based question will have three questions with marks ranging from 1 - 4.

## I. Weightage to content

Themes in Indian History (Part I)	25 Marks			
Themes in Indian History (Part II)	25 Marks			
Themes in Indian History (Part III)	25 Marks			
Map Work	5 Marks			
Project work	20 marks			
Note:- Value Based Question can be taken from any of the above theme I,II,or III04 Marks				
Total	100 Marks			

## II. Weightage to Difficulty level

Estimated Difficulty Level				
(i) Easy (E)	30%			
(ii) Average (AV)	50%			
(iii) Difficult (D)	20%			
Scheme of Option: No internal choice except for blind students.				

# III. Division of Question Paper

The Question paper will be divided into A, B, C, D and E.

- Part A will carry 3 very short answer questions of 2 marks each.
- Part B 'Section-I' will carry 6 short answer questions of 4 marks each, out of which one is a value based compulsory question. (Part-B' Section-II', Value based)

(No change in the syllabus)

- Part C will carry 3 long answer questions of 8 marks each (word limit '350').
- Part D will carry three source -based questions. The number of questions will be three, carrying 7 marks each (no internal choice). The sources will be taken from the textbooks as directed therein.
- Part E will have 1 map question of 5 marks. Items covered are identification and significance.

## IV. Scheme of Option

Part A will have no choice.

Part B will be divided into 2 sections (3 books) +1 value based section.

- **Section I** will have 6 questions from all the three books, out of which the student will attempt any 5 questions.
- Section-II -One question will be a value based question which is a compulsory question.

**Part C** will carry three long answer questions. The number of questions will be 4, carrying 8 marks each. (Each question from three themes). Student will have to answer any three questions.

**Part D** will be source-based questions. There will be THREE sources, ONE from each book followed by questions. There will have "no internal choice".

In Part E, there will be one map question -Test items will be 'identification' and 'significance'.

There is no change in the list of Maps.

## V. Weightage of Marks Book-wise

	VSA 2 marks	SA 4 marks	Source based 7 marks	Marks	Long answer 8 marks	Total
Book I (Ancient India)	2(1)	4+4	7(1)		8(1)	25
Book II (Medieval India)	2(1)	4+4	7(1)		8(1)	25
Book III (Modern India)	2(1)	4+4	7(1)		8(1)	25
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Project work -						20
	2x3=6	4x6=24	7x3=21	5	8x3=24	100

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# LIST OF MAPS

#### Book 1

- 1. P-2. Mature Harappan sites: Harappa, Banawali, Kalibangan, Balakot, Rakhigarhi, Dholavira, Nageshwar, Lothal, Mohenjodaro, Chanhudaro, Kot Diji.
- 2. P-30. Mahajanapada and cities:

Vajji, Magadha, Kosala, Kuru, Panchala, Gandhara, Avanti, Rajgir, Ujjain, Taxila, Varanasi.

- 3. P-33. Distribution of Ashokan inscriptions:
  - (i) Kushanas, Shakas, Satavahanas, Vakatakas, Guptas
  - (ii) Cities/towns: Mathura, Kannauj, Puhar, Braghukachchha
  - (iii) Pillar inscriptions Sanchi, Topra, Meerut Pillar and Kaushambi.
  - (iv) Kingdom of Cholas, Cheras and Pandyas.
- 4. P-43. Important kingdoms and towns:
  - (i) Kushanas, Shakas, Satavahanas, Vakatakas, Guptas
  - (ii) Cities/towns: Mathura, Kanauj, Puhar, Braghukachchha, Shravasti, Rajgir, Vaishali, Varanasi, Vidisha
- 5. P-95. Major Buddhist Sites:

Nagarjunakonda, Sanchi, Amaravati, Lumbini, Nasik, Bharhut, BodhGaya, Shravasti, Ajanta.

# Book 2

- 1. P-174. Bidar, Golconda, Bijapur, Vijayanagar, Chandragiri, Kanchipuram, Mysore, Thanjavur, Kolar, Tirunelveli, Quilon
- 2. P-214. Territories under Babur, Akbar and Aurangzeb: Delhi, Agra, Panipat, Amber, Ajmer, Lahore, Goa.

## Book 3

- P-297. Territories/cities under British Control in 1857:
   Punjab, Sindh, Bombay, Madras Fort St. David, Masulipatam, Berar, Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Avadh, Surat, Calcutta, Dacca, Chitagong, Patna, Benaras, Allahabad and Lucknow.
- P-305. Main centres of the Revolt:
   Delhi, Meerut, Jhansi, Lucknow, Kanpur, Azamgarh, Calcutta, Benaras, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Agra, Avadh.
- P-305. Important centres of the National Movement:
   Champaran, Kheda, Ahmedabad, Benaras, Amritsar, Chauri Chaura, Lahore, Bardoli, Dandi, Bombay (Quit India Resolution), Karachi.

## **Prescribed Books:**

- 1. Themes in World History, Class XI, Published by NCERT
- 2. Themes in Indian History, Part I, Class XII, Published by NCERT
- 3. Themes in Indian History Part-II, Class XII, Published by NCERT
- 4. Themes in Indian History Part-III, Class XII, Published by NCERT

Note: The above textbooks are also available in Hindi medium.