

**JYOTI NIVAS COLLEGE AUTONOMOUS
SYLLABUS FOR 2018 BATCH AND THEREAFTER**

Programme: B.A.

Semester: I

**HISTORY PAPER I
HISTORY OF INDIA-I**

Course Code: 18IHS1

No. of Hours: 75

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- This course detailed below is intended to give the student a broad idea of the main currents of socio-economic, political and cultural history of Ancient India.
- It also familiarizes the students with the evolution of man in the Pre-Historic Age. In doing so, the teacher will acquaint the students with the rich Indian heritage invaluable for present and future.

LEARNING OUTCOME:

- After this course, students will be able to appreciate the rich Indian heritage invaluable for present and future.
- Analyze the developments of the Vedic period.
- Examine the contributions of the Guptas and the people of the Sangam age.

UNIT 1

16 HRS

Introduction: Definition of History- Scope- Importance of the study of History. Survey of Sources – Influence of Geography on History- Pre-Historic Age- Indus Valley Civilization – Recent Excavations- Urban Planning – Economic Life – Social Life – Religion – Script- Decline- Significance of the Indus Civilization- S.R. Rao.

UNIT 2

13 HRS

(A) Vedic Period– Early Vedic Period – Economy- Society –Political institutions.
Later Vedic Period – Varnashrama Dharma - Position of Women – Religion –Vedic Literature.
(B) Movements of Dissent and Protest – Contributions of Jainism and Buddhism to Indian Culture.

UNIT 3

10 HRS

The Mauryan Age: Foundation of the Mauryan Empire –Asoka and his Dhamma- State and Economy- Contributions of Mauryans to Indian Culture- Chanakya

UNIT 4

16 HRS

A) Gupta Age: Foundation and Consolidation of the Gupta Empire -Administrative Structure – Economic Development – Society – Culture- Urbanization- Aryabhata
B) Post Gupta Period- Harshavardhana of Kanauj – Nalanda University-Hieun Tsang.

UNIT 5

15 HRS

The South: The Sangam Age – Sources-Polity -Economy – Society – Culture. Pallava Art and Architecture Cholas–Local Administration–Art and Architecture Role of Alvars and Nayanmars-Tiruvalluvar

PLACES HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE OF:

05 HRS

1. Arikamedu 2.Amaravathi 3.Harappa 4.Mohenjodaro 5. Dolavira 6.Bodhgaya 7.Pataliputra 8.Taxila
9. Shravanabelagola 10. Sanchi 11. Maski 12. Nagarajunakonda 13. Nalanda 14. Madurai
15.Kancheepuram 16. Mahabalipuram 17. Thanjavur 18. Uttaramerur 19. Ajanta 20.Ellora.

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