

M.A. HISTORY PART I

SEMESTER I

Socio-Cultural History of India till 8th Century

(Core Courses-3)

Code No. 108503 Credits: 4 Lectures: 60 Marks: 100

Objectives:

- To understand the forces and factors behind social stratification and the processes involved in the formation of varna and jati in India.
- To be acquainted with developments in religion and philosophy of the period.
- To study the system of education and rise and growth of languages and literature therein.
- To get knowledge of the origin, evolution and spread of art and architecture in north and south in early India.

Course Content: Credit Lectures Marks

I : Ancient Indian Social order: 1 15 25

- a) Family
- b) Gender
- c) Varna/Jati

II : Ancient Indian Education and Literature: 1 15 25

- a) Education: Elementary and Higher
- b) Literary languages- Sanskrit, Pali, Prakrit, Apabhransha, Regional Languages.
- C) Literature: Canonical- Brahmanical, Buddhist and Jaina
- D) Secular-Kavya, Dramas, Biographies, Popular genre(Stories, folk tales)

III : Ancient Indian Religion and Philosophy: 1 15 25

- a) Concept of Brahmana Dharma
- b) Brahmanical Philosophy- Philosophy of Bhagavadgeeta
- c) Buddhism as a Religion And Philosophy
- d) Jainism as a Religion And Philosophy

IV Ancient Indian Art and Architecture:	1	15	25
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- a) Fine Arts
- b) Performing Arts
- c) Cave Architecture
- d) Temple Architecture and Fortifications

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