

TELANGANA STATE
B.A. (HISTORY) SYLLABUS
Semester - I
History of India (From Earliest Times to c.700 CE)
Discipline Specific Course - Paper - I

- Module-I: Definitions - Nature and Scope of History - History and Its Relationship with other Social Sciences - Geographical Features of India – Sources of Indian History: Pre-History – Paleolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic, Chalcolithic and Megalithic Cultures.
- Module-II: Indus Valley Civilization - Its Features & Decline; Early Vedic and Later Vedic Civilizations – Vedic Literature – Society – Economy - Polity – Religion.
- Module-III: Rise of New Religious Movements – Charvakas, Lokayathas, Jainism and Buddhism; Mahajanapadas - Rise of Magadha; Alexander's Invasion and Its Impact.
- Module-IV: Foundation of the Mauryan Dynasty; Ashoka and His Dharma -- Polity – Administration - Society – Economy – Religion – Literature - Art and Architecture; Disintegration of the Mauryan Empire; Post-Mauryan Kingdoms - Indo-Greeks - Kushanas and Kanishka - Society – Economy – Literature – Art and Architecture; The Śatavahanas; Sangam Age – Literary Development.
- Module-V: Gupta Empire: A Brief Political Survey - Polity and Administration, Social and Economic Conditions. Agriculture and Land Grants - Feudalism, Caste System, Position of Women. Education, Literature, Science and Technology, Art and Architecture - Harshavardana and His Achievements.

Recommended Books:

- A.L. Basham, *The Wonder that was India*, Rupa & Co., New Delhi, 2001.
- Allchin, Bridget & Raymond, *The Rise of Civilization in India and Pakistan*, CUP, New Delhi, 1996.
- E.H. Carr, *What is History?* Penguin Books, England, 1990.
- Majumdar, R.C., *History and Culture of the Indian People*, Vols. I, II & III.
- Romila Thapar, *Asoka and the Decline of the Mauryas*, OUP, New Delhi, 1995.
- Romila Thapar, *Early India (From the earliest to AD 1300)*.
- Romila Thapar, *A History of India*, Vol. I, Penguin Books, New Delhi, 1990.
- Upinder Singh, *A History of Ancient and Medieval India*.

TELANGANA STATE
B.A. (HISTORY) SYLLABUS
Semester - II
History of India (c.700-1526 CE)
Discipline Specific Course - Paper - II

- Module-I: Rise of Regional States: Pallavas, Chalukyas of Badami, Rashtrakutas, Cholas; Local Self Government under Cholas; Society, Economy, Literature, Art and Architecture; Bhakti Movement in South India: Shaiva Nayanars and Vaishnava Alwars.
- Module-II: Arab Conquest of Sind, Ghaznavids and Ghoris; Foundation of Delhi Sultanate: Slave, Khaljis, Tughlaqs, Sayyids and Lodis – Polity, Administration, Society and Economy - Art and Architecture - Growth of Education and Literature - Religious Conditions.
- Module-III: Bhakti and Sufi Movements and their Impact on Society and Culture - Emergence of Composite Culture.
- Module-IV: Kakatiyas – Polity – Administration - Society and Economy - Literature and Religion – Art and Architecture – Yadavas – Hoysalas and Pandyas – Brief History.
- Module-V: Vijayanagara – Polity – Administration - Society and Economy – Religion – Art and Architecture – Language and Literature – Bahamanis and their Contribution to the Deccan Culture.

Recommended Books:

- A.L. Basham, *The Wonder that was India*, Rupa & Co., New Delhi, 2001.
 Irfan Habib, *Medieval India-I*, OUP, Delhi, 1999.
 K.A. Nilakanta Sastri, *A History of South India*.
 Majumdar, R.C., *History and Culture of the Indian People*, Vols. I, II & III.
 Romila Thapar, *Early India (From the earliest to AD 1300)*.
 Satish Chandra, *Medieval India (From Sultanate to the Mughals)*, Part-I, Har-Anand Publications, New Delhi, 1997.
 Upinder Singh, *A History of Ancient and Medieval India*.
 Vipul Singh, *Interpreting Early and Medieval India*.

Telugu:

- A. Bobbili and others, *Bharatha Desha Charitra upto A.D. 1526*, Telugu Academy, Hyderabad, 2003.
 D.D. Kosambi, *Bharatha Desha Charitra Parichaya Vyasalu*, Hyderabad Book Trust, Hyderabad, 1996.