

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad

M.A. History First Year

Course Title: Ancient India: From Pre-History to the Mauryas

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Unit
I	Sources of Ancient Indian History: A Survey
	1. Archaeology, Epigraphy and Numismatics
	2. Literary Sources: Normative and Creative
	3. Pre-History
	3.1. Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Cultures
	3.2. Neolithic Cultures
	4. Proto-History
	4.1. Chalcolithic Culture
	5. Harappan Culture & Civilization
II	6. Vedic Period
	6.1. Early Vedic Age: Religion, Society, Economy & Polity
	6.2. Later Vedic Age: Change and Continuity
	6.3. The Aryans: Historical Debate
III	7. Towards Complex Society
	7.1. Urban Centres, Society and Economy
	7.2. Iron and Social Change
	8. Janapadas & Mahajanapadas
	8.1. Emergence of State System: Monarchical and Republican
	9. Iranian and Macedonian Invasions and their Impact on India
	Religious Movements
	10. Jainism
	11. Buddhism
	12. Ajivikism
IV	13. Mauryas
	13.1. India at the Time of the Mauryas
	14. Understanding the Mauryan State
	14.1. Socio-economic Foundations
	14.2. Dhamma, Art and Architecture;
	15. Decline of the Mauryan Empire

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad

M.A. History First Year

Course Title: Ancient India: Post-Mauryas to the Early Medieval Times

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Unit
I	Post-Mauryan Context
	North India
	1. Sungas and Kanvas: State and Society
	2. Central Asian Contacts:
	Greeks, Shakas (Scythians),
	Parthians and the Kushans
	3. Socio-Economic and Cultural Impact on North India
	Central India, Deccan and the Far South
	4. Satavahanas and Western Kshatrapas: State and Society;
	5. Society in Early Historical South India with reference to the Sangam Literature
	6. Agricultural Production and Land Revenue; Beginning of Land Grants;
	7. Craft Production, Trade, Urban Growth and Guilds
II	8. Situating the Age of Guptas
	8.1. Political Consolidation and Administrative Organisation
	8.2. Agrarian and Non-Agrarian Economy
	8.3. Socio-Religious Milieu
	8.4. Science and Technology;
	8.5. Art, Architecture and Literature
III	Towards the Early Medieval
	9. Vakatakas
	10. Pallavas
	11. Chalukyas
	11.1. Polity, Economy, Society, Religion & Art
	12. Harsha: State, Society and Religion
IV	Interpreting Early Medieval India
	13. Economy and Society in North India
	14. Cholas: Polity, Society, Economy and Culture
	15. Transition from Early Medieval to the Medieval Period

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad
M.A. History First Year

Course Title: Medieval India: Political and Administrative Institutions

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Unit
I	Medieval Era in Indian History
	1. Sources of the Delhi Sultanate
	2. Sources of the Mughal Empire
II	Growth and Expansion of the Delhi Sultanate
	3. India on the Eve of Turkish Conquest
	4. Nature of State
	5. Social Groups
	6. Regional Sultanates
III	The Mughal Empire
	7. Foundation
	8. Nature of the Mughal State
	9. Monarchy and Theory
	10. Mughal Nobility
	11. Administrative System
IV	Post-Mughal Period
	12. Decline of the Mughal Empire
	13. Rise of Regional Powers
	14. Eighteenth Century India: A Debate

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad

M.A. History First Year

Course Title: Medieval India: Society and Culture

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Defining Medieval India
	1. Indian Society on the eve of the Turkish Conquest
	2. Technology, Institutions and Social Change
	3. Impact of Islam on North Indian Society and Culture
II	Medieval Indian Cultural Pluralities
	4. Art and Architecture and Regional Styles
	5. Indo-Central Asian Architecture
	6. Music and Fine Arts
	7. Languages and Literature
	8. Educational System
III	Mughal India
	9. Society
	9.1. Social Stratification: Regional Settings
	9.2. Position of Women and Mughal <i>Harem</i>
	9.3. Technological Development and Social Mobility
	10. Art & Architecture
	10.1. The Mughal Architecture
	10.2. Languages and Literature
	10.3. Centres of Learning
	10.4. Composite Culture
IV	Religious Developments
	11. Bhakti Movement and the Regional Strands
	12. Sufism: Major Orders and Role
	13. Sikhism
	14. Muslim Revivalist Movements

**Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University**

M.A. History First year

Course Title: Modern India (1757-1857)

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I.	Eighteenth Century India: Plassey and After
	1. Emergence of Regional Powers
	2. European Colonial Powers: Struggle for Hegemony
	3. Foundation of the British Rule
II.	British Indian Empire
	The Imperial Ideology:
	4. Liberalism and the Empire
	5. Orientalism, Utilitarianism and Native Response
	Instruments of Expansion
	6. War and Diplomacy
	7. Apparatus of Rule: Structures and Institutions
	8. Parliament and the Empire: Constitutional Development
	9. Frontier Policy
III.	Impact of British Rule
	The Colonial Economy:
	10. Land Revenue Settlements: Permanent, Ryotwari and Mahalwari Settlements
	11. Drain of Wealth and Decline of Indigenous Industries
	12. Characterising Colonial Economy
	13. Rise and Growth of Modern Education
	14. Socio-Religious Reform Movements
IV.	Resistance to the British Rule
	15. Nature and Forms of Resistance
	15.1. Major Peasant and Tribal Uprisings
	15.2. 1857 Rebellion and Transition to the British Raj

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University

M.A. History First year
Course Title: Modern India (1858-1964)

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	The Colonial State
	1. Consolidation of the British Rule: New Administrative Apparatus
	2. Relations with the Native States
II.	Economy under the British Rule -I
	3. Railways, Transport & Communication
	4. Commercialization of Agriculture: the Making of a Colonial Economy
	5. Famine Policy
III.	Economy under the British Rule –II
	6. Indian Capitalist Development: Industry & Finance
	7. Changing Nature of External Trade
	8. Monetary Policy, Credit System and Price Movements
IV.	Socio-cultural Profile of British India
	9. Socio-legal Intervention by the Raj
	10. Revivalist & Reform Movements
	11. Educational Development
	12. Emergence of Middle Class
	13. Coming of Print & Public Spheres : English & Vernacular
	14. Women’s Organizations & Struggle for Women’s Rights

Course Title: Historiography: Ancient and Medieval World

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Ancient Historiography
	1. Greek Traditions
	2. Roman Traditions
	3. Chinese Traditions
	4. Ancient Indian Traditions with special reference to Kalhana's Rajatarangni
II	Medieval Historiography
	5. Arab Historiography
	6. Persian Traditions
III	Medieval Indian Historiography
	Traditions of the Delhi Sultanate
	7. Minhaj-us-Siraj: <i>Tabaqat-i-Nasiri</i>
	8. Hasan Nizami, Amir Khusrau and Isami
	9. Ziauddin Barani
	10. Traditions of the Regional Sultanates
IV	Mughal Historiography
	Traditions of the Mughal Empire
	11. Abul Fazl
	12. Nizamuddin Ahmad
	13. Abdul Qadir Badauni
	14. Royal Autobiographies

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad

M.A. History First Year
Course Title: Modern Historiography

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Approaches to History
	1. Renaissance and Evolution of Scientific Historiography
	2. Legacy of the Enlightenment
	3. Positivism and Ranke
	4. Marx and the Materialistic Interpretation of History
	5. Gramsci
	6. E. H. Carr on “What is History”
	7. French Annalists
	8. History of Mentalities
II	Philosophy of History
	9. Spengler and Decline of the West
	10. Toynbee and History of Civilizations
III	Post-Modernist Approach
	11. Post-Modernism
	11.1. Foucault
	11.2. Derrida
	11.3. Hayden White
IV	Indian Approaches
	12. Colonial Historiography: Orientalists and Utilitarians
	13. Nationalist Historiography
	14. Communal Historiography
	15. Marxist Historiography
	16. Subaltern History
	17. Postmodernism and Indian Historiography

1
Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University

M.A. History Second year
**Course Title: Economic History of India
(1200-1757)**

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Economy of Delhi Sultanate
	1. Indian Economy on the Eve of Turkish Conquest
	1.1. Economic Consequences of Turkish Conquest
II	Agrarian Economy
	2. Village Structure;
	2.1. Agricultural Production and Technology
	3. Agrarian Taxation and Mode of Assessment and Payment
	4. Revenue Assignments and Grants
III	Non-Agrarian Economy
	5. Crafts and Urbanization
	5.1. Major Crafts, Organization
	6. Technology and Urbanization
	7. Trade Structure and Currency
	7.1. Internal and External Trade
	7.2. Coins & Currency System
IV	Economic History of Mughal India
	Agrarian Economy
	8. Village Community
	9. Agricultural Production and Technology
	10. Agrarian Taxation and Mode of Assessment and Payment
	11. Revenue Assignments and Grants
	12. Agrarian Crisis
	13. Agrarian Economy: Regional States of
	13.1. Marathas
	13.2. Deccan &
	13.3. Kashmir
	14. Crafts and Urbanization
	14.1. Major Industries; Organization;
	15. Technology and Urbanization

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year
Course Title: Modern World-I

S. No. of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Early Modern Europe
	1. Understanding Early Modern Europe
	2. Renaissance, Reformation and Counter-reformation
	3. Geographical Discoveries and its Consequences
	4. Early Colonialism
II	Political & Technological Development
	5. Rise of Nation States
	6. Absolutism in Europe
	7. Industrial Revolution
III	Dawn of Democracy
	8. Democratic Concept & Constitutional Development
	9. The American Revolution
	10. The French Revolution
	11. Napoleonic France
IV	Nationalism in Ascendance
	12. Eastern Question
	13. The Unification of Italy
	14. The Unification of Germany
	15. Intellectual Trends: Liberalism, Nationalism and Socialism

3A
Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University

M.A. History Second year

Course Title: Ancient World

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	1. Geographical and Environmental Factors and Rise of Early Civilizations
	2. Socio-Economic Bases of Early Civilizations
	3. Culture and Other Bases for the Rise of Civilization
II	Greek Civilization
	4. Early Greek Cultures: Minoan, Mycenaean
	5. Transition from 'Dark Age' to the Classical Period
	6. Polity, Economy, Society and Culture
	7. Ideas and Writings; Plato, Aristotle and Herodotus
III	Mesopotamian Civilization
	8. Origin and Development
	9. Society and Culture
	10. Polity, Economy, Society and Religion
	11. Codes of Hammurabi and Scripts
IV	Egyptian Civilization
	12. Evolution and Expansion
	13. Society, Polity and Economy
	14. Religious Beliefs, Practices and Rituals
	15. Cultural Development: Art and Architecture; Science and Technology

Course Title: Medieval Deccan and Far South

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Political Process & the Structure of Politics
	1. Kakatiya Legacy
	2. Administrative Apparatus & Nature of State: Continuity & Change
II	Vijayanagara Empire
	3. Foundation and Expansion
	4. Society & Economy including trade
	5. Administrative Structure & Nature of State
	6. Art & Architecture
	7. Decline of Vijayanagara Empire
III	Bahmani Kingdom: Politico-administrative set up
	8. Foundation and Expansion
	9. Administrative Organisation & Nature of State
	10. Decline of Bahmani Kingdom
IV	Regional Formations in the Deccan & far South
	11. Consolidation of the Five Deccani Sultanates: Society, Polity & Economy
	12. Rise of Asaf Jahis
	13. Emergence of Kingdoms in Far South
	14. Evolution of a Deccani Culture

4A
 Directorate of Distance Education
 Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year
Course Title: Women in Modern India

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	1. Need for the Study of Women's History
	2. Approaches and Sources;
	3. Women in Pre-modern India
II	Women during the Colonial Period
	4. Colonial Perception of Indian Women
	5. Reform Movements & Women's Question
	5.1. Social Reform & Muslim Women
	6. Education & Women
	7. Discussion on Widowhood & Sati
III	Indian Politics & Women
	8. Self-Respect Movement
	9. Devadasis and Courtesans
	10. Participation of the Women in the Freedom Struggle: Their Experiences & Perceptions
	10.1. Congress, Left Parties & Muslim Women
	11. Civil and Political Rights & Women
	12. Hindu Code Bill & Women
IV	Women & Knowledge Production in the Colonial Period
	13. Intellectuals:
	13.1. Rassundari Devi
	13.2. Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain
	13.3. Sugra Humayun Mirza
	13.4. Pandita Ramabai Saraswati
	13.5. Durgabai Deshmukh
	14. Medicine
	15. Journalism: Hindi & Urdu
	16. Dalit Women

4B

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year

Course Title: Religious Traditions in India

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Conceptualising Religion
	1. What is Religion? Different Theories
	2. Material and Spiritual Bases of Religion
	3. Features of Indic and Semitic Religion
	4. Religion, Tradition and Modernity
II	Hinduism
	5. Philosophical, Scriptural and Social Foundation
	6. Bhakti Movements; Genesis and Growth; Women Saints
	7. Temple, Pilgrimage and Patronage
	8. Hindu Religious Reform Movements during the Colonial Period
	9. Contemporary Development
III	Buddhism, Jainism and Sikhism
	10. Buddhism; Emergence and Teaching
	10.1. Neo-Buddhism Movement in India
	11. Jainism; Emergence and Teaching
	12. Sikhism; Emergence and Teaching
IV	Christianity
	13. Origin, Growth and Philosophy
	14. Christianity during Colonialism
	Islam
	15. Origin, Growth and Philosophy
	16. Sufism; Philosophy and Practice

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year
Course Title: Modern World-II

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	1. Understanding the Nineteenth Century
	1.1.Capitalism and Imperialism
	1.2.Liberalism; Socialism and Nationalism
	World Order Up To 1919
	2. Origins of the First World War
	2.1.Paris Peace Settlement: An Appraisal
	3. Russian Revolution of 1917 and its Consequences
II	World between the Two Wars
	4. League of Nations and Collective Security
	5. Crisis in Capitalism & the Great Depression
	6. Nazism in Germany
	7. Fascism in Italy
III	Second World War and the New Order
	8. Causes & Effects of the Second World War
	9. Nationalist Movements & De-colonization
	10. Chinese Communist Revolution & its Impact
	Cold War and its Effects
	11. Ideological and Political Basis of Cold War
	12. Non-Aligned Movement and the Third World
	13. UNO: Achievements & Challenges
IV	14. Progressive Popular Movement
	14.1.Apartheid
	14.2.Civil Rights Movement
	14.3.Feminism
	15. Collapse of the Soviet Union & the End of Cold War
	15.1.Fall of the Socialist Experience
	15.2.New World Order
	16. Globalization: Economic & cultural Dimensions

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year
Course Title: History of Islam in India (12th to 20th Century)

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Islam in Indian Sub-Continent
	1. Pre-Islamic Arabia and the Rise of Islam
	2. Prophet Muhammad and Evolution of State in Medina; The Age of Rashidun Caliphs
	3. Expanding Frontiers of Islam in the Coastal Regions of Indian Sub-Continent
	4. Arabs and Ghaznavids in the North Western Regions of Indian Sub-Continent
II	Indo-Islamic Culture in the Upper-Gangetic Valley
	5. Migration, Settlement and the Making of Indo-Islamic Culture: Centres of Learning and Literary Traditions.
	6. Polity and Governance: Sultans, Ulama and the Nobles; Iqta, Jagirs and Waqf
	7. Conversion to Islam, Accommodation and Resistance
	8. Development of Art, Architecture and Calligraphy in Medieval India
	9. Sufism in India and its contribution to the development of composite culture
III	Indian Muslims under the British Rule
	10. Intellectual and Ideological Challenges: Christian missionaries and Muslim Response
	11. Debates within the Muslim Society: The Faraizis of Bengal and the Movement of Syed Ahmad of Rai Bareli
	12. Political Consciousness and its Reflection in Education; Firangi Mahal, Darul Uloom Deoband, Nadwatul Ulama,
	13. Sir Syed Ahmad Khan's Educational Reform Movement; Support of the British Raj; Reaction of Muslim ulama
IV	Emergence of Nationalism and Muslim Response
	14. Literary and Cultural Critique of Imperialist Dominance; <i>Munazara</i> literature during the British Raj
	15. Communalism and Politics of Separation
	16. Muslims and National Politics; Muslims and the British after 1857
	17. Partition and Indian Muslims; the post-independence Policies and Politics

7A
 Directorate of Distance Education
 Maulana Azad National Urdu University

M.A. History Second year
Course Title: Medieval World

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	1. Transition to Medieval World; Disintegration of Ancient World order
	2. New Socio-Economic Structures; Feudalism and the Rise of Clergy and Church.
	3. Rise and Expansion of the Islam in the World
II	Medieval Europe up to c. 1500
	4. Medieval State; Kingship, Nobility and Clergy
	5. Agriculture, Trade and Commerce
	6. Society and Culture
	7. Religions Mobilisation; The Recovery of Holy Land, Crusades and its Impacts on European Society
III	Medieval China
	8. The Nature of the State and Nobility upto the Early Ming Dynasty
	9. Society and Economy
	10. Religious Beliefs, Practices and Rituals
	11. Science and Technology and Cultural Development
IV	Islamic World
	12. Pre-Islamic Arabia and the Rise of Islam
	13. Prophet Muhammed and the Evolution of State System in Madina; The Age of Rashidul Caliphs
	14. Expansion, Consolidation, and State Formation during the Ummayyads and the Abbasids
	15. Making of legal system; School of Jurisprudence
	16. Scientific and Cultural Development; Greco-Hellenistic Tradition

7B

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year

Course Title: Medieval Indian Numismatics

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Beginning of a New Coinage Tradition in India
	1. Introduction of Islamic Coinage: Transition from Ancient to Medieval
	2. Medieval Indian Coinage as a Source of History
	3. Language and Script of Coins; Date, Mints & Minting Techniques
II	Coin Series of the Delhi Sultanate
	4. Pre-Sultanate Coins
	5. Bull and Horseman Type coins
	6. Introduction of Bilingual Coins
	7. Mamluk Coins; Khalji Coins
	8. Tughluq Coins; and Coins of the Saiyyids , Lodis and Suris
III	Coinage of Provincial Sultanates
	9. Bengal, Malwa, Jaunpur, Gujarat, Khandesh, Madurai and Kashmir
	10. Coins of Deccani Sultanate
	10.1. Bahamanis
	10.2. Bahamani Successors
	11. Coins of Vijaynagar
IV	Mughal Coinage and Currency System
	12. Babar and Humayun
	13. Coinage and Metrology of Akbar
	14. Coins of Jahangir, Shahjahan Aurangzeb and Later Mughals
	15. Coinage of Successor States

8A

Directorate of Distance Education
Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year

Course Title: Economic History of India, 1757-1964

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	Colonial Economy and Agrarian Settlements
	1. Conquest of Bengal “Defensive Theory of Imperialism” and Establishment of English East India Company’s Rule.
	2. The “ Drain of Wealth” and its Mechanism, Magnitude and Effects.
	3. The Permanent Settlement – Objectives, Operation & its Effects.
	4. The Ryotwari Settlement and the Mahalwari System & its Consequences.
II	Agriculture, Indigenous Industries, Trade & Commerce
	5. Commercialization of Agriculture; Factors and Impacts
	6. The Question of “De-industrialization” Process in the 19th Century
	7. De-Urbanization
	8. Changing Nature of External Trade; Charter Acts of 1813 and 1833
III	Railways, Irrigation and Growth of Modern Industries
	9. Introduction of Railways: Economic and Political Motives
	9.1.Socio-Economic Consequences of Railways
	10. Irrigation Projects and Canals, Railways vs Irrigation Controversy
	11. Famines: Causes and Consequences
	12. The Rise of Cotton Textile, Jute, Iron and Steel Industry
IV	Economic Policies in British and Independent India
	13. Monetary Policies; Fiscal System
	14. GDP and Per-Capita Income after 1858; Assumptions and Estimates.
	15. Tenancy Acts and Land Reforms
	16. Planning Commission of 1951, Five Year Plans; Aims and Objectives.

8B
 Directorate of Distance Education
 Maulana Azad National Urdu University
M.A. History Second year

**Course Title: India and Its Central Asian
 Neighbourhood**

S. No of Block	Title of the Unit and Sub-Title
I	India and Central Asia: Common Legacy
	1. Connected Histories Through Time
	2. Political Linkages
II	Interactions & Mutual Cultural Adaptations
	3. Paganism
	4. Hinduism
	5. Buddhism
	6. Islam & Sufism
	7. Mutual Diaspora; Cultural Synergy
III	Trade Dynamics
	8. Silk Route Networks
	9. Commodity Structure
	10. Trade Interdependence
	11. Merchant Community
	12. State Policy
IV	Future Continuum & Areas of Strategic Cooperation
	13. Security
	14. Energy
	15. Trade