

BA HISTORY HONOURS
SEMESTER VI

Paper 16: Contemporary History of India 1947-2000

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COURSE ID: BHS

UNIT I

1. Nation in the making: national government; Partition legacies; emergence of the Republic; making and adoption of the Constitution-salient features; Provisional Parliament.
2. First general elections and the formation of central and provincial governments.
3. Secularism, structure of democratic institutions.

UNIT II

4. Nation-building process: *zamindari* abolition; mixed economy, Five year Plans; national integration, unity in diversity.
5. Development of education, science and technology; Panchayati Raj and community development projects.
6. Concerns for tribals and scheduled castes.

UNIT III

7. Political parties: the Congress, the Left, communal and regional parties, the Naxalites.
8. The problem of linguistic identity and the issue of official language, the reorganization of states.
9. Foreign policy- the initial years.

UNIT IV

10. The era of Lal Bahadur Shastri and Indira Gandhi, 1964-77; conflicts with Pakistan, 1965 and 1971; origin of coalition politics and governments in states; Congress split 1969; J.P Movement; the Janta experiment and re-emergence of Indira Gandhi.
11. The Rajiv Gandhi years; the idea of New Millennium; experiment with coalition governments at the centre 1989-2000.
12. Growth of caste politics; Mandal Commission; dalit resurgence; revival of Communalism, Ram Mandir Movements and the issue of Babri Masjid.

Reading List

1. Bipan Chandra, Mridula Mukherjee and Aditya Mukherjee, *India Since Independence*, New Delhi, 2008.
2. Bipan Chandra, *Essays on Contemporary India*, New Delhi, 1999.

3. Shashi Tharoor, *India from Midnight to the Millennium*, New Delhi, 1997.
4. Francis R. Frankel, *India's Political economy 1947-77*, New Delhi, 1978.
5. Paul R Brass, *The Politics of India Since Independence*, New Delhi, 1992.
6. Ram Chandra Guha, *India After Gandhi: The History of the World's Largest Democracy*, New Delhi, 2008.
7. Mushirul Hasan, *In Search of Identity: Indian Muslims Since Independence*, New Delhi, 1999.
8. Christopher Jafferlot, *The Hindu Nationalist Movement in Indian Politics, 1925 to the 1990s*, London, 1996.

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Paper 17: History of Russia and the U. S. S. R.: 1861-1991 CE

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UNIT I

1. The “Great reforms”.
2. Modernization and industrialization in Tsarist Russia, 1861 -1914.
3. Revolutionary movements and Reaction.
4. The Revolution of 1905; Stolypin Reforms.

UNIT II

5. The first World War and the collapse of Tsarist Russia.
6. The Bolshevik Revolution and the formation of the U. S. S. R.; the role of Lenin.
7. The Civil War and War Communism; the peasant and nationality questions.
8. The New Economic policy, 1921- 28.

UNIT III

9. The Great Debate
10. Economic reconstruction –Collectivization, industrialization and Five year Plans.
11. Soviet foreign Policy , 1917- 1945.
12. Life and culture in early Soviet Union.

UNIT IV

13. Political and economic developments during the Khrushchev and Brezhnev eras.
14. Cold War and the Soviet foreign policy (1945- 1990).
15. The Gorbachev reforms.
16. Crisis and disintegration, the collapse of the U. S. S. R.

Reading List

1. H. Seton Watson, *The Russian Empire*.
2. L. Kochan, *The Making of Modern Russia*, Penguin 1973
3. N. V. Riasanovsky, *A History of Russia*, Oxford University Press, 1984
4. John Keep, *The Russian Revolution: A Study in Mass Mobilization*, 1976
5. John Keep, *The Last of the Empires; A History of the Soviet Union, 1945- 1991*
6. Alec Nove, *An Economic History of the U. S. S. R*, 1993
7. Richard Pipes, *Russia of the Old Regime*
8. Issac Deutrcher , *Stalin*, 1949
9. E. H. Carr, *A History of Soviet Russia*, 4 vols. 1952

10. Maurice Dobb, *Soviet Economic Development since 1917- 1948*
11. Christopher Hill, *Lenin and the Russian Revolution*
12. E. J. Hobsbawm, *The Age of Extremes: The Short Twentieth century, 1914- 1991*
(Relevant Chapters)

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Paper 18: US History from Pre-Columbian times to the Cold War

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UNIT I

1. Pre-Columbian era
2. The Colonial period (1600-1750)

UNIT II

3. Formation of the United States of America (1750–1789)
4. Early national era and westward expansion (1789–1849)

UNIT III

5. Slavery and the Civil War era (1849–1865)
6. Reconstruction and Transformation (1865–1914)

UNIT IV

7. War, the Roaring Twenties and the Great Depression (1914-1930)
8. The New Deal and World War II (1930–1945)

Reading List:

1. John Keep, *The Russian Revolution: A Study in Mass Mobilization*, 1976.
2. Hamby, Alonzo L. (2005). *Outline of U.S. History*.
3. <http://www.america.gov/publications/books/history-outline.html>
4. Zinn, Howard (2003). *A People's History of the United States*. New York.
5. Carnes, Mark C., and John A. Garraty (2011), *The American Nation: A History of the United States*.
6. Tindall, George Brown, and David E. Shi (2009) *America: A Narrative History*.

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**Paper 19: Colonialism, Imperialism and anti-Imperialist Movements in Asia,
Africa and Latin America**

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UNIT-I

APPROACHES TO THE STUDY OF IMPERIALISM

1. Marxist Theories; J.A. Hobson, Hilferding, R. Luxemburg, V.I. Lenin.
2. Non-Marxist Theories: J.A. Schumpeter, David Landes, J.Gallagher, R. Robinson

UNIT II

THE MAKING OF COLONIAL EMPIRES

3. Stages of Colonialism in India and Indonesia.
4. British Colonialism in Malaya, Burma and Ceylon.
5. French Colonialism in Indo-China.
6. Opium Wars and Imperialist Intrusion in China.

UNIT III

IMPERIALISM IN AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA

7. British colonialism in Egypt and Ghana; French Colonialism in Algeria.
8. Colonial Policies in South Africa.
9. Nature of US Imperial domination in Latin America (Haiti, St. Domingo and Mexico) and South-East Asia (Philippines, Taiwan, Cambodia, Korea).

UNIT IV

ANTI-IMPERIALIST STRUGGLES

10. Early anti-colonial protests and movements.
11. Constitutionalism, Middle class and beginning of nationalism.
12. Organized Political Resistance to Colonialism.

Reading List:

1. William N. Parker: Europe, America and the Wider World, Vol. II, New York, 1991.
2. Immanuel Wallerstein, the Modern World system, New York, 1976.
3. Tom Kemp, Theory of Imperialism.
4. J.A. Schumpeter, Capitalism and Social Classes.
5. _____ .Sociology of Imperialism.