

Kolhan University, Chaibasa
Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP)
History, Code: MDC-1, Credits: 3, Sem-I

Multidisciplinary Course-1

History

Unit I: Discovering the Past: Sources, nature, scope and importance of History
(5 lectures/contact hours)

Unit II: Early Human Beings: Old Stone Age, Middle Stone Age, New Stone Age; The early villages and settled life; Beginnings of city life; The Indus Valley Civilization (10 lectures)

Unit III: A Land called Jambudvipa: Names of our country; the landscape, mountains and rivers (5 lectures)

Unit IV: Some Great Personalities of Indian History: Asoka, Samudragupta, Krishnadev Rai, Akbar, Raja Rammohan Roy, Pandita Ramabai, Jyotiba Phule, Dadabhai Naoroji, Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, APJ Abdul Kalam (10 lectures)

Unit V: Living in British Times: Indian National Movement (1857-1947): A brief survey (10 lectures)

Unit VI: Applications of History: Archives, museums, libraries, tourism, academic institutions (5 lectures)

Suggested readings

NCERT books (classes 10-12)

A. L. Basham, *A Wonder that was India*, Rupa, New Delhi, 1994

Amartya Sen, *The Argumentative Indian: Writings on Indian History, Culture and Identity*, Penguin 2006

Andrew Robinson, *India: A Short History*, Thames and Hudson, 2014

Bipan Chandra, *Aadhunik Bharat*, Orient Blackswan, 2005

Craig Jeffrey, *Modern India: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford, 2018

Herman Kulke and Deitmar Rothermund, *A History of India*, Taylor and Francis, 2016

R.S. Sharma, *Prarambhik Bharat ka Parichay*, Orient Blackswan, 2004

Satish Chandra, *Madhyakaleen Bharat: Rajnit, Samaj aur Sanskriti*, Orient Blackswan, 2020

Sue Hamilton, *Indian Philosophy: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford, 2001

Tony Joseph, *Early Indians: The story of our ancestors and where we came from*, Juggernaut, 2021