



## HISDSC202T

# HISTORY OF INDIA FROM 1707 TO 1857 CE

Contact Hours: 60  
Full Marks = 100 [ESE (70) CCA (30)]

### **Objectives:**

*It will help the reader to explore and understand the disintegration of the Mughal Empire after the death of Aurangzeb and the rise of Maratha power. It will enable an understanding of the European political interests in India, the reasons behind their conflicts, the expansion of the Company's power, their expansionist policy and about the great resistance from the Indians.*

### Unit I

1. Disintegration of Mughal Empire: Nadir Shah invasion.
2. Expansion of the Maratha Kingdom under Peshwas and Maratha Confederacy
3. Administration under the Peshwas
4. 3<sup>rd</sup> Battle of Panipat: Causes and its significance. (13 Lectures)

### Unit II

1. Ascendancy of European Companies: Anglo-French conflict, Causes of the French Failure.
2. Battle of Plassey: Causes and Results
3. Battle of Buxar: Causes and Significance
4. Dual system of Administration in Bengal. (13 Lectures)

### Unit III

1. Anglo-Maratha relations
2. Downfall of the Maratha Empire.
3. Anglo-Mysore Relations
4. Rise of the Punjab under Ranjit Singh: conquests and administration. (12 Lectures)

### Unit IV

1. British Expansionist Policy: Subsidiary Alliance, Doctrine of Lapse
2. Tribal Resistance: Kol and Santhal (12 Lectures)

### Unit V

1. The First War of Independence: Causes, Nature, Course and Consequences. (10 Lectures)

### *Expected learning outcomes:*

*After completing this course, the students will be able to understand about the disintegration of the Mughal Empire after Aurangzeb and about the history of the rise of Maratha power. Also, the students will be able to have a clear idea about the expansion of colonial powers, about their policies and about the resistance made by the Indians.*

### Suggested Readings:

1. A.C Banerjee, The New History of Modern India (1707-1947)
2. A.R. Desai, Social Background of Indian Nationalism
3. B.D. Basu: Rise and Fall of British Power in India, Vol. II
4. B.R Grover, A new look on Modern Indian History
5. C.A. Bayly: An Illustrated History of Modern India 1600-1947
6. D. Kumar: The Cambridge Economic History of India
7. Dodwell: A Sketch of the History of India
8. G.S Chabra: Advance History of Modern India
9. I. Prasad & Subedar: History of Modern India



10. J. N. Sarkar, Nadir Shah in India, Naya Prokash, 1973
11. K. K Dutta: Social History of Modern India
12. R. C Majumdar: History Of Bengal, Vol. 2
13. R. C Majumdar, An Advanced History of India, MacMillan India, 1974
14. R.C Majumdar: British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance (Part I)
15. R.E Freedenberg: Land Control and Social Structure in India
16. Stewart Gordon: The Marathas 1600-1818
17. Sumit Sarkar: Modern India 1885-1947
18. Thomas Metealf: Ideologies of the Raj
19. Thompson & Garret: Rise and Fulfilment of British Rule in India