

SEMESTER-IV HISDSM251

HISTORY OF INDIA FROM 1206 TO 1707 CE

Contact Hours: 45 Full Marks = 100 [ESE (70) CCA (30)]

Objective:

The course, History of India from 1206 to 1707 CE, aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the political and social dynamics of the period and their impact on society and politics. It identifies how political power was exercised and contested in medieval India. It analyses the key historical events, including invasions and resistance that shaped the political landscape of medieval India.

Unit I

 Sources of Medieval Indian History: Literary & Archaeological Sources Foundation, Expansion & consolidation of the Delhi Sultanate: a. Qutubuddin Aibak-conquests & achievements b. Iltutmish-consolidation of Sultanate c. Ghiasuddin Balban-His theory of Kingship 	(10 Lectures)
Unit II	
1. Alauddin Khalji-Economic policy	
2. Muhammad-bin-Tughluq: Various schemes of Muhammad-bin-Tughluq	
3. Administration of Delhi Sultanate	$(0 \mathbf{I} + 1)$
4. Causes of the downfall of Delhi Sultanate	(8 Lectures)
Unit III	
1. Vijaynagar Empire: Achievements of Krishnadevaraya.	
2. Bahamani Empire: Rise and Growth	
3. Bhakti Movement: Kabir, Nanak, Chaitanya	
4. Sufism and its impact on Indian culture	(9 Lectures)
Unit IV	
1. Foundation of Mughal Empire by Babur,	
2. Administration of Sher Shah	
3. Akbar-Religious policy with special reference to Din-i-Ilahi	
4. Mughal Administrative System	(9 Lectures)
Unit V	
1. Aurangzeb: His Religious Policy	
2. Rise of Maratha power under Shivaji	
3. Shivaji's Administration	
4. Downfall of the Mughal Empire.	(9 Lectures)

Expected learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the students will be able to understand about the political and social dynamics of the period and their impact on society and politics of that period and will understand about the historical events, including invasions and resistance that shaped the political landscape of medieval India.

Suggested Readings:

- 1. A.L Srivastava: Delhi Sultanate, Shiv Lal Agarwal & Co., Agra, Reprint, 2017
- 2. A.L. Srivastva : The Mughal Empire, Shiv Lal Agarwar & Co, 2017
- 3. G. N Sharma: Mewar and the Mughal Emperors, Shiv Lal Agarwal, Agra, 1962



- 4. Herman Kulke (ed.) The State in India (1000-1700), OUP, 1995
- 5. Irfan Habib: The Agrarian System of Mughal India 1556-1707, Oxford University Press, 2014
- 6. Ishwari Prasad: A Short History of Muslim Rule in India, Surjeet Publications, 2018
- 7. J. N. Sarkar, History of Aurangzib: Reign of Shah Jahan, Palala Press, 2015
- 8. J. N. Sarkar, Studies in Mughal India, Alpha Edition, 2020
- 9. J. N. Sarkar, The Mughal Administration Six Lectures, Hard Press, 2012
- 10. J. N. Sarkar: Life and Times of Shivaji, Orient Blackswan Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 2010
- 11. Mohammad Habib and K.A. Nizami, ed.: Comprehensive History of India, Vol. V, The Delhi Sultanate, PPH, 1992
- 12. R. C. Majumdar, The Mughul Empire: The History and Culture of the Indian People (Volume 7), Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan, 2007
- 13. R.P Tripathi: Rise and fall of the Mughal Empire (English or Hindi), Surjeet Publications, 2012
- S.R. Sharma: The Crescent in India: A Study in Medieval History, Bhartiya Kala Prakashan, 2005