



SYLLABI OF HISTORY SEC PAPERS

SEMESTER-I

HISSEC101

PART A: ARCHAEOLOGY & MUSEOLOGY

Marks = 100 [ESE (50) + Project/Field work (20) + IT (30)]

Contact Hours: 30

Course Objectives:

This course intends to introduce learners to the vibrant field of archaeology & museum studies. It will acquaint them with concepts, theories, legislation, and methodologies related to archaeology and museums. It will also make the learners aware of their role in society and their various activities.

Unit-I

1. Definition of Archaeology, Aims and Scope; Relationship of Archaeology with History; Brief overview of different types of archaeology. (6 Lectures)

Unit-II

1. Archaeology in India: Establishment of the Asiatic Society; Alexander Cunningham and the establishment of the Archaeological Survey.
2. Contributions of John Marshall and Mortimer Wheeler in Indian Archaeology (6 Lectures)

Unit-III

Contributions of R.D. Banerjee, Dayaram Sahani, Nani Gopal Majumdar and Braj Basi Lal in the field of Archaeology (7 Lectures)

Unit-IV

A study of the archaeological sites—Sun Temple of Konarak, Sanchi Stupa, Hampi, Madan Kamdev, Unokoti, Khaspur. (5 Lectures)

Unit-V

1. Definition of Museology; Scope of Museology; History of Museum in India.
2. Types of Museums—Specialized Museum & General Museum (6 Lectures)
3. A study of Indian Museum, Kolkata; National Museum, New Delhi & State Museum, Guwahati

Part B: PROJECT/FIELD WORK: 20 hours

Expected learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the students will be able to understand about the various fields of archaeology & museum studies. It will acquaint them with concepts, theories, legislation, and methodologies related to archaeology and museums.

Suggested Readings:

1. K.V.Raman, Principles & Methods of Archaeology, 1998
2. Archaeological Survey of Indian Archaeological Remains—Monuments & Museums (Part I & II),
3. D. K. Chakraborti, A History of Archaeology
4. Glyn E Daniel, 150 years of Archaeology
5. Glyn E. Daniel, A Short History of Archaeology
6. J. P. Singh et al (eds), Archaeology of Northeastern India
7. G. Clark, Archaeology and Society



8. F. Hole & R. Heizer, An Introduction to Pre-historic Archaeology
9. G. David, A Short History of Archaeology
10. K. Greene, Archaeology: An Introduction
11. M. Wheeler, Archaeology from the Earth
12. L. R. Binford, In pursuit of the past decoding the Archaeological Record.
13. L. R. Binford, An Archaeological Perspective
14. J. Hodder, Reading the Past: Current Approaches to Interpretation in Archaeology.
15. C.P. Bahn Renfrew, Archaeology: Theories and Methods and Practice
16. Grace Morley: Museum Today
17. Usha Agarwal, Directory of Museum in India, Sundeep Prakashan, New Delhi
18. N.R. Banerjee, Museum & Cultural Heritage in India, Agam Kala Prakashan, Delhi.