

MAHATAMA GANDHI KASHI VIDYAPITH, VARANASI
Minor Elective Subject-IV, Subject: Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology
Graduation Part-I (Semester - I & II)

(From Beginning to 1300 A D.)

Credit- 4

Max Marks- 100 (75+25)

Min Marks-33

Unit-1.

Sources : Literary and Archaeological and Foreign Travelogue.

Indus Civilization : Origin - Expansion, Major feature - Social and religious nature, Global connectivity, Trade & Commerce, Decline.

Vedic Culture : Nature of Vedic Culture, Social organization of Aryans, Religious and Economic life.

Development of river valley civilizations in the world.

Unit-2.

Development of Mahajanapadas and Republic. Rise of Magadha Empire – Haryank dynasty, Shishunaga dynasty, Nanda dynasty.

Mauryan Empire : Major rulers – Chandragupta Maurya, Asoka's Dhamma Policy.

Kushan Empire- Achivements of Kanishka-I.

Unit-3.

Gupta Empire : Chandragupta-I, Samudragupta, Chandragupta-II, and Skandagupta.

Vardhan Empire : Achievements of Harshvardhan, Visit of Hiuen- Tsang.

Unit-4.

Political condition of North India at Rajput period, Origin of Rajputas.

Gurjara-Pratihara Empire : Mihirbhoj –I, Pal Empire : Dharmpal, and Tripartite Conflict.

The invasion of the Arabs on Sindh.

Unit-5.

Famous City- Kashi, Ayodhya, Patliputra, Nalanda, Prayagraj.

An Introduction to major religions of Ancient India : Bramanism, Jainism and Buddhism.

Suggested Continuos Internal Evaluation Mothods	(25 Marks)
Seminar on any topic of the above syllabus	(5Marks)
short and long answer questions	(5 Marks)
Research Orientation of the student	(5 Marks)
Quiz	(5 Marks)
Attendance and Behaviour	(5 Marks)

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Min Marks-33

Unit-1

Varna and Caste System in Ancient India: Concept and Development of Ashram System, Purushartha and Samskar, Marriage system, The condition of women in Ancient India.

Unit-2

Education System in Ancient India , Main Universities - Takshashila, Nalanda, Vikramashila, Origin of State, Types of State, Gana (Republic State) , Saptanga Theory of Kautilya. Guild Organization, Trades Routes.

Unit-3

Definition of Archaeology and its relation to other sciences, History of Development of Indian Archaeology.

Unit-4

Vedic Religion, Jainism: Mahavira's life and teachings, Buddhism: Buddha's life and teachings. Vaishnavism Dharma, Shaivism Dharma, Introduction of Six Schools of Philosophy of India.

Unit-5

Characteristic Features of Ancient Indian Art, Stupa – Sanchi, Bharahut, Rock Painting: Ajanta, Sun Temple of Konarka, Rathas of Mahabalipurama, Brihadishwar Temple of Tanjavur.

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