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**SEMESTER-III**

**PAPER-I: HISTORY OF INDIA, 1707-1956**

FOR REGULAR STUDENTS OF AFFILIATED AND CONSTITUENT COLLEGES AND  
CENTRE FOR DISTANCE AND ONLINE EDUCATION STUDENTS

For Regular Students, lectures to be delivered: 9 Periods per week, 6 period's theory and 3  
periods tutorials (45 minutes each)

For Regular and Distance Education Students

Max.Marks:100  
Internal Assessment: 30 Marks  
External Assessment: 70 Marks

Credits: 5

Time allowed: 3 hours  
Pass Marks: 35  
Teaching Hours (For Regular  
Students):55

For Private Students

Maximum Marks: 100 specified

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/EXAMINER**

For Regular Students of affiliated and Constituent Colleges and Centre for Distance  
and Online Education:

The paper setter-should keep in view the topics in each paper and not the title of the  
paper. Candidates are required to attempt two questions each from the sections A, B and the  
entire Section C.

The Break-up of 30 marks for Internal Assessment (Theory  
Papers) is below:

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|---|------------|
| 1. Test                                     | : 12 Marks |
| 2. Class Attendance                         | : 06 Marks |
| 3. Project<br>Work/Assignment/Seminar/Field | : 12Marks  |

Total: 30 Marks

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to. The paper-setters should keep in  
view the topics specified in each paper.
2. The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B will  
have four questions from the respective sections of the syllabus and will carry 10  
marks each and the candidates will attempt two questions from each section.
3. Section C is compulsory. It will consist of 2 parts. The first part will have 10 short  
answer type questions from the entire syllabus and will carry 2 marks each. The  
students will have to answer each question in 20-25 words. Part 2 will consist of map  
question of 10 marks out of which 6marks will be for filling up of map and 4 for  
explanation





4. The wording of the questions should be simple and easily understandable by an average student. There should be no vagueness.
5. The number of questions based upon quotations should not exceed two in a question paper.
6. The general standard of the questions should cater to the different intellectual levels average, above average and below average.
7. Each paper is of 70 marks and of three hours' duration and 30 marks of internal assessment.

**ONLY FOR BLIND CANDIDATES:** In lieu of Map question the blind candidates will attempt the short answer type questions. The short answer type questions will be set from the entire syllabus. These questions will be based upon terms, concepts, institutions and historical sources within the purview of the syllabus. Out of four, the blind candidates will attempt any two short answer type questions. Internal choice will be given. The answer to each of these questions will be 50-60 words and will carry 5marks each. Thus the total marks of these questions will be 10.

#### **For Private Students**

The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B will have four questions each which will carry 15 marks each. Section C which is compulsory and consists of 10 short answer type questions of 40 marks from the entire syllabus. The candidates are required to attempt all short answer-type questions. The answer to each of these questions will be of 30-40 words and will carry 4 marks each.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES**

Candidates are required to attempt two questions each from the sections A, and B. The entire Section C is compulsory the candidate is required to give answer of each short answer type question in 20-25 words.


#### **SECTION - A**

1. Causes of the downfall of Mughal Empire.
2. Foundation and expansion of British Empire: Battles of Plassey and Buxar. Administrative and Social Reforms of Cornwallis and Lord William Bentinck.
3. The Uprising of 1857: Causes, nature and results.
4. Socio-Cultural Movements: Brahmo Samaj, Arya Samaj, Aligarh Movement, Singh Sabha Movement, Dr. Ambedkar's efforts for the upliftment of the Scheduled Castes.

#### **SECTION-B**

5. British Agrarian Policy in India: Agriculture Land revenue policies, rural indebtedness.
6. Rise of Political Consciousness in India: Moderates, Extremists and; Home Rule Movement.
7. Freedom Struggle (1919-1947): Jallianwala Bagh Massacre; Non-Cooperation Movement; Civil Disobedience Movement; Quit India Movement.
8. Partition of India; Salient Features of Indian Constitution; Integration of Princely States; Political Parties 1947-1965: The Congress and the Opposition.

#### **SECTION-C (COMPULSORY)**

  
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:In the first part of Section C, ten short answer type questions will be set from the entire syllabus. The candidates will attempt all 10 questions. The answer to each of these questions will be of 20-25 words and will carry 2 marks each. Thus, the total marks of these questions will be 20. In the second part of Section C, the candidates will attempt the map question. The map question of 10 marks out of which 6 marks will be for filling up of map and 4 for explanation.

**MAPS:**

- (a) British India in 1805 A.D.
- (b) British India in 1818 A.D.
- (c) British India in 1856 A.D.
- (d) Important Centres of the Revolt of 1857.


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**Essential Reading**

1.	A.C. Arora	<i>History of Modern India (Punjabi and Hindi)</i>
2.	A.C. Arora	<i>Atlas of Modern Indian History</i>
3.	Amandeep Bal	<i>Jallianwala Bagh</i>
4.	Bipin Chandra	<i>History of Modern India India's Struggle for Independence</i>
5.	Bipin Chandra	<i>India After Partition</i>
6.	Bisheswar Prasad	<i>Bondage and Freedom.</i>
7.	C.C. Davies	<i>Historical Atlas of the Indian Peninsula.</i>
8.	Ishwari Prasad & et.al.	<i>A History of Modern India</i>
9.	K.W.Jones	<i>Socio-Religious Reform Movements in British India</i>
10.	P.E. Roberts	<i>History of British India</i>
11.	Percival Spear	<i>History of Modern India</i>
12.	R.C. Dutt	<i>Economic History of India</i>
13.	R.C. Aggarwal	<i>Constitutional History of India (English and Punjabi).</i>
14.	R.C. Majumdar & et.al.	<i>British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance,</i>



15.	R.C. Majumdar & et.al.	<i>Struggle for Freedom</i>
16.	R.C. Majumdar & et.al.	<i>An Advanced History of India</i>
17.	S.K. Bajaj & J.S. Rekhi	<i>History of India, 1818-1919 (Punjabi).</i>
18.	S.K. Gupta	<i>The Scheduled Castes in Modern Indian Politics</i>
19.	S.L. Sikri	<i>Constitutional History of India</i> (English, Punjabi and Hindi).
20.	Bandhopadhyay, Shekhar	<i>From Plassey to Partition</i>
21.	Sucheta Mahajan	<i>Independence and Partition: The Erosion of Colonial Power in India</i>
22.	Sumit Sarkar	<i>Modern India</i>
23.	Tara Chand	<i>History of the Freedom Movement in India (Volume 1 &amp; 2)</i>
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#### **SECTION - A**


1. Main Sources of Punjab History.
2. Age of Guru Nanak Dev: Political, social and religious condition; His teachings
3. Evolution of Sikhism 1539-1606 (from Guru Angad to Guru Arjan)
4. Transformation of Sikhism from Guru Hargobind to Guru Tegh Bahadur.

#### **SECTION-B**

5. Guru Gobind Singh: Creation of the Khalsa and its significance; His achievements and personality.
6. Banda Singh Bahadur and the establishment of independent rule of the Sikhs; Causes of his failure.
7. Political struggle of the Sikhs against Zakariya Khan, Yahiya Khan and Mir Mannu.
8. Rise of the Sikh Misls; Their Nature and Administration.

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#### MAPS:

- Battle of Guru Hargobind
- Battles of Guru Gobind Singh.
- Military exploits of Banda Bahadur.
- Important places connected with the Sikh Gurus in the Punjab.

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3.	B.S. Nanda	<i>Sikh Sampardaya</i> (Punjabi)
4.	Bhagat Singh	<i>Sikh Misals</i>
5.	Bhagat Singh	<i>Punjab da Itihas</i> (Punjabi)
6.	D.K. Verma	<i>Guru Gobind Singh on the Canvas of History</i> (English).
7.	D.S. Dhillon	<i>Sikhism: Origin and Development.</i>
8.	D.S. Dhillon and S.S. Bhullar	<i>The Battles of Guru Gobind Singh</i>
9.	Daljit Singh	<i>Guru Tegh Bahadur</i>
10.	Ganda Singh	<i>Banda Singh Bahadur</i>
11.	Ganda Singh	<i>Contemporary Sources Of Sikh History 1469-1708</i>
12.	Gokal Chand, Narang	<i>Transformation of Sikhism</i> (English & Punjabi)
13.	Gurcharan Singh & S.S. Gandhi	<i>History of the Punjab</i> (Punjabi & Hindi)

14.	Indu Bhushan Banerjee	<i>Evolution of the Khalsa, Vol.1 &amp; II. (English and Punjab)</i>
15.	J.D. Cunningham	<i>A History of the Sikhs (English &amp; Punjabi).</i>
16.	J.S. Grewal	<i>New Cambridge History of India: The Sikhs of the Punjab.</i>
17.	Joginder Singh & Prithipal Singh Kapoor	<i>Punjab da Itihas (Punjabi)</i>
18.	Khushwant Singh	<i>History of the Sikhs, Vol.I</i>
19.	Veena Sachdeva	<i>Party and Economy of the Punjab during the Late 18<sup>th</sup> Century</i>
20.	ਨਰਿੰਦਰਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦਾ ਇਤਿਹਾਸ 1469-1839

  
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