



GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Degree Syllabus: MA in Hindu Studies

Subject Code :1440104

Subject Name : Elements of Indian History

W.e.f. Academic Year :	2023-2024
Semester :	IV
Category of the Course :	MA in Hindu Studies

Prerequisite : Any Graduate

Rationale : The need of focusing on Bharatiya History is not much heeded by Indian intellectuals. In fact, no country can survive without enough knowledge of history. A nation can learn from the mistakes in past and may not repeat them for better future. But Indians have neglected their history. Many outsiders, travelers and foreigners have written our history. Here the purpose is to expose the truths of Indian history which have somehow remained hidden.

Course Scheme :

Teaching Scheme			Total Credits	Assessment Pattern and Marks				Total Marks
L	T	PR	C	Theory		Practical		
				ESE (E)	PA(M)	ESE (V)	PA (I)	
4	0	0	4	70	30	30	20	150

Course Content:

Sr. No.	Course Content	No. of Hours	% of Weightage
1	Unit-I - Problematization of Indian History 1. Need of Rewriting Indian History 2. History/Accounts written by Travelers 3. Misrepresentations in the History Books 4. Negligence of History by Indians	4	25
2	Unit –II Hindu Resistance to Invaders 1. Arab Failure in Sindh and Kabul 2. National Perspective on Indian History 3. Myths about Gazanavids 4. Myths about Aryan Invasion.	4	25



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3	Unit III Ancient Indian Civilization 1. Indus and Saraswati Civilization- Rigveda – Purana as Sources of History 2. Hidden Chapters of Indian History 3. Cause of Indian Inferiority Complex – Wrong Narratives of Indian Freedom Fighting.	4	25
4	UNIT-IV Forgotten Indian Reigns, Dynasties and Real Heroes and Heroines 1. Ahom Samrajya in Assam 2. Vijatnagar Samrajya 3. Gupta and Maurya Period 4. Solanki Dynasty of Gujarat 5. Nayika Devi, Hemu, Chatrasaal, Bappa Rawal, Pruthu of Kamrupa, Kurma Devi, Hamirsingh Sisodiya, Rampyari Gurjar, Maharana Kumbha, Rani, Karna vati, Rani Abakka, Lachit Borfukan,	4	25

Reference Books:

1. Shukla D. N, Vāstu-sāstra Hindu Science of Architecture, Muraliram Manoharlal Publishers, New Delhi, 1993.
2. M. M. Gosh, Bharata, the Nāṭyaśāstra (Six and Seventh Chapter), Asiatic Society, Kolkata, 1950.
3. Agrawal, P.K, Gupta Temple Architecture. Prithavi Prakashan, Varanasi, 1968

Course Outcome:

After Completion of the Course, Student will able to:

No	Course Outcomes
1	Develop the ability to critically examine and analyze the various aspects of Bharatiya (Indian) history.
2	Recognize the significance of studying history for a nation's survival, learning from past mistakes, and building a better future.
3	Strengthen the cultural and historical identity of the nation by reclaiming and understanding the truths of Indian history.
4	Contribute to the preservation of the national heritage by exposing and acknowledging the truths of Indian history that have been overlooked or misrepresented.
