

# Syllabus for the Post of Assistant Professor in History

## Module 1: Historiography

- ⊞ Greco- Roman Historiography
- ⊞ Medieval Historiography- St Augustine and Ibn Khaldun
- ⊞ Rene Descartes- Anti- Cartesians- Giambattista Vico
- ⊞ Enlightenment Historiography- Romanticist Historiography
- ⊞ Positivism
- ⊞ Marxist Approaches- Classical Marxists- Frankfurt School- History From Below- Structural Marxism
- ⊞ Annales School- Origins- Generations- History of Mentalities
- ⊞ Post Modern Approaches
- ⊞ Subaltern Historiography
- ⊞ Historical Consciousness in Early India- Itihas- Purana Traditions- Kavya Traditions- Charitas-
- ⊞ Historical Consciousness in Medieval India- Sultanate- Mughal Historiography- Mangalkabya
- ⊞ Modern Indian Historiography- Colonial Historiography- Nationalist Historiography- Marxist Approaches - Subaltern Studies- Gender Approaches

## Module 2: Research Methodology

- ⊞ Identification of a Research problem- Making a Research Plan- Working hypothesis- Collection of data-Primary and Secondary
- ⊞ Methods of Documentation- Arrangement of data- Analysis of sources- – Internal and External Criticism- Generalization- Formulation of final argument
- ⊞ Synthesis- Writing of research Report
- ⊞ Analytical writing- Chapterisation- Citations- Styles (MLA, APA)- Bibliography- Index, Appendix- Plagiarism
- Writing of Thesis and Research papers – Editing

## Module 3: World History

- ⊞ Paleolithic Age- Mesolithic Age- Neolithic Age- Chalcolithic Age
- ⊞ Neolithic Revolution
- ⊞ Urbanization Features- Bronze Age Civilizations- Mesopotamia, Egypt and China
- ⊞ Greco- Roman Civilizations
- ⊞ Decline of the Ancient
- ⊞ Feudal Society- Features
- ⊞ Church in the History of Europe
- ⊞ Chinese and Arab Civilizations
- ⊞ Decline of Feudalism and Transitions into the Modern Age
- ⊞ Renaissance, Reformation
- ⊞ Geographical explorations and Establishment of Colonies
- ⊞ Scientific Revolution
- ⊞ Agricultural and Industrial Revolutions
- ⊞ Political Revolutions- Glorious Revolution, American Revolution, French Revolution, Russian Revolution and Chinese Revolution
- ⊞ Rise of Nation States

- ⊞ First World War and League of Nations
- ⊞ Rise of Fascism and Nazism
- ⊞ Second World War and UNO
- ⊞ Cold War- NAM- Decline of Soviet Union and Emergence of New World Order
- ⊞ West Asian Crises
- ⊞ Globalization

#### **Module 4: Early India**

- ⊞ Indus Valley Civilization- Origins- Mature Phase and Decline
- ⊞ Vedic and Later Vedic Ages
- ⊞ Age of Mahajanapadas
- ⊞ Sramanic Sects and the role they played in India
- ⊞ Rise of Magadha- Mauryan Rule
- ⊞ Developments in North West India
- ⊞ Indian Feudalism
- ⊞ Guptas in Indian History- The Golden Age Debate
- ⊞ Feudalism Debate

#### **Module 5: Medieval India**

- ⊞ Rajputs
- ⊞ Establishment of Sultanate in Delhi
- ⊞ Growth of Delhi – Expansion of influence of Delhi Sultanate
- ⊞ Nature of administration under Sultanate – Turkan-i- Chihalghani- Iltutmish- Ala- ud- din Khalji, Muhammed bin Tughlak
- ⊞ The Mughals- Sulh- i- kul- Revenue and Military administration- Mughal Architecture and Painting
- ⊞ The Marathas
- ⊞ Sufism and Bhakti Movement

#### **Module 6: Modern India**

- ⊞ Establishment of British Rule- Mode of Conquests
- ⊞ Early Resistance Movements – Rebellions by Peasants, Polygars, Adivasis, Artisans etc
- ⊞ Nature of Colonial State- Revenue Settlements- Forms of Knowledge- Colonial Archives
- ⊞ Revolt of 1857- Nature and Impact
- ⊞ Revolt of Indigo Cultivators
- ⊞ Socio- Religious Movements
- ⊞ Rise of Nationalism in India- Features
- ⊞ Romantic Nationalism, Cultural Nationalism and Tagore's take on Nationalism
- ⊞ INC – Safety Valve Theory
- ⊞ Moderate and Extremist Phases
- ⊞ Influence of Theosophical Society in Indian Politics
- ⊞ Home Rule Movement
- ⊞ Hind Swaraj and Gandhian Ideology
- ⊞ Gandhian Phase- Political Movements- Early interventions, Non Cooperation Movement, Civil Disobedience Movement, Quit India Movement
- ⊞ Khadi Movement
- ⊞ Interventions of Bhagat Singh, Ambedkar, Periyar and Subhas Chandra Bose in Indian Politics
- ⊞ Emergence of Left Movements
- ⊞ Peasant Movements
- ⊞ Women Movements

- ⊞ Communalism
- ⊞ Two Nation Theory and Muslim League
- ⊞ Mount Batten Plan and Division of British India
- ⊞ Transfer of Power

### **Module 7: Contemporary India**

- ⊞ Nehruvian Era
- ⊞ Ambedkar and the Making of Constitution
- ⊞ Integration of Princely States- Problems with Kashmir, Hyderabad and Travancore
- ⊞ Indian Constitution- Salient Features
- ⊞ Five Year Plans
- ⊞ Mixed Economy
- ⊞ NAM
- ⊞ Linguistic Reorganization and Formation of States
- ⊞ Green, White and Blue Revolutions and its impacts
- ⊞ Nationalization of Banks
- ⊞ National Emergency
- ⊞ V. P. Singh and Mandal Commission Report- Anti Mandal Agitation
- ⊞ Ramjanmabhumi Movement
- ⊞ Big Dams, Evictions and People's Resistance Movements- NBA
- ⊞ Development paradigms and social issues -Chipko movement
- ⊞ Dalit, Adivasi struggles
- ⊞ Caste Violence in India
- ⊞ Secessionist Movements and Threat to National Integration
- ⊞ Communal Riots and Indian Society- Delhi Riots, Bombay Riots, Gujarat Riots
- ⊞ Narasimha Rao– Manmohan Singh – Liberalisation, Privatisation, Globalisation (LPG)
- ⊞ Anti-globalisation movements

### **Module 8- South India**

- ⊞ Sangam Age
- ⊞ Megalithic- Iron Age Archaeology
- ⊞ Socio- Political and Cultural Life in Early Tamilakam
- ⊞ *Muventas*
- ⊞ Roman Trade
- ⊞ Emergence of Kingdoms- Pandya, Chalukya, Pallava
- ⊞ Alwar and Nayanar Movements
- ⊞ Evolution of Regional Linguistic Identities
- ⊞ Chola State - Features
- ⊞ Hoysala and Kakatiya Dynasties
- ⊞ Vijayanagara and Bhamani Kingdoms
- ⊞ South Indian Architecture- Religious: Pallava, Chola, Hoysala and Vijayanagara Features Secular: Bhamani and Vijayanagara

### **Module 9- Pre-Modern Kerala**

- ⊞ Antecedents
- ⊞ Perumals of Mahadayapuram - Features of administration
- ⊞ Brahmin Migration and Settlements in Kerala
- ⊞ Trade guilds and land grants
- ⊞ Structural temples
- ⊞ Devadasi system
- ⊞ Disintegration of Perumal kingdom

- ⊞ Cultural Symbiosis
- ⊞ Formation of Nadus and Swarupams
- ⊞ Venad, Kochi, Kozhikkod and Kolathunad
- ⊞ Village Communities and Sankethams
- ⊞ Manipravalam and Bhakti Literature
- ⊞ Chinese trade- Arab trade- Medieval Angadies
- ⊞ Portuguese and Dutch
- ⊞ Mysorean Interlude

### **Module 10- Modern Kerala**

- ⊞ Treaty of Seringapatam and British Malabar
- ⊞ Subsidiary Alliance with Cochin and Travancore
- ⊞ Early Resistance Movements
- ⊞ Colonel Munroe as Resident- Diwan in Travancore and Cochin
- ⊞ Reforms of H. V. Canolly in Malabar
- ⊞ Socio Religious Movements and Reforms in Kerala Society- Nature and Spread- Education- Family Structure- Reforms in Marriages, Inheritance, Social Mobility- Transformation of Matriliny - Demand for Rights- Major Reformers and Movements
- ⊞ Political conferences- Ottapalam, Manjeri, Palakkad and Vadakara
- ⊞ Gandhian Interventions- Khilafat- Malabar Rebellion- Vaikom Satyagraha- Non-co-operation movement- Salt Satyagraha- Guruvayur Satyagraha- Quit India Movement
- ⊞ Temple Entry Proclamation
- ⊞ Aikya Kerala Movement- Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar's American Model
- ⊞ Formation of the Kerala State-
- ⊞ EMS ministry- Land and Educational Reforms- Coalition politics- Vimochanasamaram
- ⊞ Migration- Internal and External
- ⊞ Kerala Development model- Advantages and disadvantages

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