

**DEPARTMENT OF ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY AND  
ARCHAEOLOGY,  
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B.A. PART - I**

**Paper I : Political History of Ancient India  
[B.C. 600-A.D. 606]**

**UNIT I**

- 1- Sources of Ancient Indian History .
- 2- Political condition of Northern Indian During 6<sup>th</sup> Cent. B.C.
  - a- Sixteen Mahajanapadas
  - b- Ten Republics
- 3- Persian and Alexander's invasion on India and Its effects .
- 4- Rise of Magadhan Empire
  - a- Haryanka dynasty [ Bimbisara, Ajatashatru and his successors].
  - b- Saisunga dynasty [ Sisunaga, Kalasoka].
  - c- Nanda dynasty [ Origin, Mahapadanaanda, successors and causes of downfall ].

**UNIT II**

- 1- The Mauryas [ Origin, Early life & conquests of Chandragupta Maurya, Bindusara, Sources for the history of Asoka, Conquests, Extent of Empire, Dhamma Policy, Successors & Causes of Downfall ] .
- 2- The Sungas, the Kanvas, the Satavahanas .
- 3- King Kharvela of Kalinga .

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### UNIT III

- 1- The Indo-Greeks
- 2- The Indo-Sythians & the Indo-Parthians
- 3- The Kushanas [ Kuzul & Vima Kadphysis, Kanishka, his successors].

### UNIT IV

- 1- The Guptas [Chandraputa, I Samudragupta, Historicity of Ramagupta, Chandragupta II, Kamaragupta, Skandagupta, Successors and causes of Downfall ].
- 2- Brief History of the following .
  - a- The Vakatakas .
  - b- The Maukharis .
  - c- The Later Guptas.
- 3- Huna Invasions of India .

#### Books Recommended:-

- 1- Pandey, V.C. प्राचीन भारत का राजनैतिक और सांस्कृतिक इतिहास.  
(भाग 1 एवं भाग 2)
- 2- Raichaudhuri, H.C. : प्राचीन भारत का राजनैतिक इतिहास
- 3- Goyal Sriram. : प्राचीन भारत का इतिहास (भाग 1 भाग 2 एवं भाग 3) ।
- 4- Raichaudhuri H.C. : Political History of Ancient India .
- 5- Pandey, V.C. & A. Pandey : A New History of Ancient India .

**Paper II State and Social , Economic & Religious Life in Ancient India.**

**UNIT I**

- 1- General Survey of the origin and development of Varna and Jati.
- 2- Scheme of Ashramas .
- 3- Purusharthas.
- 4- Samskar .
- 5- Marriage.

**UNIT II**

- 1- Position of women .
- 2- Education system in Ancient India.
- 3- Position of Slave .
- 4- Origin of State and Its types monarchy & Republic .

**UNIT III**

- 1- Agriculture with special reference to the Vedic Age.
- 2- Ownership of Land .
- 3- Guild Organisation .
- 4- Trade and Commerce with special reference to the 6<sup>th</sup> century B.C., Saka-Satavahana period and Gupta period .

**UNIT IV**

- 1- Indus religion .
- 2- Vedic religion .
- 3- Life and Teachings of Mahavira .

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- 4- Life and Teachings of Buddha .
- 5- Vaishnavism upto Gupta period .
- 6- Saivism upto the Gupta period.

**Books Recommended :-**

- 1- Prabhu, P.H. : Hindu Social Organisation .
- 2- Mishra, Hayashanker : प्राचीन भारत का सामाजिक इतिहास.
- 3- Altekar, A.S. : Education in Ancient India.
- 4- Adya, G.L. : Early Indian Economics.
- 5- Maity S.K. : Economic Life in Northern India in the Gupta. period.
- 6- Saletore, R.N. : Early Indian Economic History .
- 7- Goyal , S.R. : Religious History of Ancient India.
- 8- Bhandarkar, R.G. : Vaishnavism, Saivism, and other minor religious sects .

9- Dunley, Hari Narain Dasgupta : भारतीय संस्कृति

**B.A. Part-II**

**Paper :1 Political History of Northern India  
[Form A.D. 606 upto A.D. 1206]**

**UNIT I**

- 1- Harsha and his contemporaries
  - a- Shashanka
  - b- Bhaskarvarman.
- 2- Yashovarmam of Kanauj.
- 3- Lalita Ditya, Muktaped of Kashmir .

**UNIT II**

- 1- Origin of Rajputs.
- 2- The Gurjara Pratiharas- Origin, Nagabhatta I, Vatsaraja, Nagabhatta II, Mihirabhoja, Mahendrapala I, Mahinpala I .
- 3- The Palas – Dharmapala, Devapala.
- 4- The Senas- Vijayasena, Lakshmanasena .

**UNIT III**

- 1- The Chandellas – Yashovarman, Dhanga, Vidyadhara and Kirttivarman.
- 2- The Paramaras [ Munja, Bhoja]
- 3- The Ghahamanas [ Arnoraja, Vighararaja IV, Prithviraja III].
- 4- The Gahadawalas [Govindachandra, Jayachandra]

## UNIT IV

- 1- The Kalachuris [Gangeyandeva, Lakshmikarna] .
- 2- The Western Chalukyas [ Hayasimha, Siddharaja, Bhima II].
- 3- Muslim Invasions –
  - a- Arab Invasion on Sindh.
  - b- Excursions of Mahmud of Ghazni.
  - c- Invasions Mohammad Ghuri.
  - d- Causes of the Defeat of the Indians.

### Books Recommended:-

- 1- Pathank, Vishuddhananda : उत्तर भारत का राजनैतिक इतिहास ।
- 2- Rao, R . & Pradeep Rao : गुप्तोत्तर युगीन भारत का राजनैतिक इतिहास ।
- 3- Pandey, V.C. & A. Pandey : A New Hisotry of Ancient India.
- 4- Ray H.C. : Dynastic History of Northern India.
- 5- Majumdar, R.C. : History of Bengal .
- 6- Puri, B.N. : Hisotry of Gurjara Pratiharas .
- 7- Dixit, R.K. : Chandellas of Jejakabhukti .
- 8- Gangoly , D.C. " Hisotry of Paramaras.
- 9- Niyogi, Roma: History of Gahadawalas.
- 10- Srivastava, B.N. : Harsha and His Times.
- 11- Majumdar, A.K. Chaulukyias of Gujarat .
- 12- Sharma , D: Early Chauhan Dynasty .

**Paper II : Elements of Archaeology, Paleography, Epigraphy &  
Numismatics**

**UNIT - 1 :** 1. Archaeology its definition, Scope its relation with other sciences.

2. Method of finding Ancient sites
3. Horizontal and Vertical excavation.
4. Carbon dating.
5. Main features of Pottery.

**UNIT - 2 :** 1. Origin and Antiquity of writing in India.

2. Writing material in Ancient India.
3. Origin and growth of Brahmi script.
4. Origin of kharosthi script.
5. Early stage of the script and background of the Alphabets.

**UNIT - 3 :** 1. Main feature of the History of Indian epigraphy.

2. Epigraphy as the source to study Ancient History.
3. Documents and types of records.
4. Ashoka's Rummindei Pillar inscription.

## UNIT IV

- 1- Numismatics :-
  - a- Origin and antiquity of coinage in India.
  - b- Authority for issuing coins in Ancient India.
  - c- Techniques of manufacture of coins in Ancient India.
  - d- Coins as a source of Ancient India History .
  - e- General Features of :-
    - i- Punch -- Marked Coins .
    - ii- Gupta Gold Coins .

### Books Recommended:-

- 1- Agarwal D.P. Archeology of India
- 2- पाण्डेय, जयनारायणः पुरात्त्व विमर्श ।
- 3- वर्मा आर० के०ः प्रागैतिहासिक संस्कृतियों एवं क्षेत्रीय पुरात्त्व ।
- 4- Atkinson : Field Archaeology .
- 5- Raman, K.V. : Principles and methods of Archaeology.
- 6- Kenyon, K: Beginning in Archaeology .
- 7- Pari, B.N. : पुरात्त्व विज्ञान ।
- 8- Thaplyal, K.K. : पुरात्त्व प्रवेशिका ।
- 9- Sircar, D.C. : Indian Epigraphy . .
- 10- Pandey , R.B.: Indian Palaeography .
- 11- Ojha, G.S. : प्राचीन लिपिमाला ।
- 12- Chakraborty, S.K. : Ancient Indian Numismatics .
- 13- Altekar , A.S. : The coinage of Gupta Coins . गुप्तकालीन मुद्राएं ।
- 14- Thaplyal, A.K. : Ancient Indian Coins .



### B.A. PART – III

**Paper I: Political History of South India  
[ 600 A.D. to 1320 A.D. ]**

#### UNIT I

- 1- Sources of South Indian History.
- 2- Chalukyas of Vatapi- Pulkeoen II, Vikramaditya I, Vikramaditya II.
- 3- A brief History of each dynasty :
  - a- Gangas
  - b- Kadambas
  - c- Kakatiyas .

#### UNIT II

- 1- Origin of the Pallavas .
- 2- The Pallavas : Mahendravarman I, Nandivarman II, Pallavamal .
- 3- Yadavas of Devagiri : Bhillam V, Ram Chandra
- 4- Hoyasalas .

#### UNIT III

- 1- Origin of Rashtrakutas
- 2- The Rashtrakutas : Dhruva, Govinda III, Amoghavarsha I, and Indra III.
- 3- Rashtrakuta Administration .

#### UNIT IV

- 1- The Cholas : Rajarajal, Rajendra I, Kullotunga I,

- 2- Chola administration .
- 3- First Pandyan Empire .
- 4- Second Pandyan Empire .

**Books Recommended :-**

- 1- Sartri, K.A. N. History of South India
- 2- Yazdani, G : History of Deccan .
- 3- Altekar, A.S. : Rashtrakutas and their times.
- 4- Aiyangar, S.K. : The Beginnings of South Indian History :
- 5- Srivastava, Balrama : दक्षिण भारत का इतिहास ।
- 6- Mishra : दक्षिण भारत का राजनैतिक इतिहास ।
- 7- Pathak, Vishuddhananda: दक्षिण भारत का इतिहास ।
- 8 - Debroy, Harri Narain, दक्षिण भारत का बृहद इतिहास

**Paper II, Ancient Indian Art & Architecture:-**

**UNIT I**

- 1- Art and architecture of Harappan Civilisation .
- 2- Mauryan Art.
- 3- Art of Bharhut, Sanchi, and Amaravati.

**UNIT II**

- 1- Mathura School of Art.
- 2- Gandhara School of Art.
- 3- Gupta sculptural Art.
- 4- Ajanta Paintings .

**UNIT III**

- 1- Stupa Architecture with special reference to –
  - a- Sanchi Mahastupa
  - b- Amaravati stupa
- 2- Rock Cut Architecture with special reference to –
  - a- Bhaja
  - b- Karle

**UNIT IV**

- 1- Architectural features of the following .
  - a- Gupta Temples
  - b- Khajuraho Temples - Kandariya Mahadeva .
  - c- Orissa Temples – Lingaraja Temple & Konark Sun Temple.

- d- Pallava Temples – Rock Cut Rathas .
- e- Rashtrakuta Temples – Kailasa Temple of Ellora.

**Books Recommended :-**

- 1- Agarwal , Prithvi Kumar : प्राचीन भारतीय कला एवं वास्तु
- 2- Sahai, Shiv Swaroop : भारतीय कला ।
- 3- Bajapi , K.D. : भारतीय वास्तुकला का इतिहास ।
- 4- Shastri, Ajai Mitra : Ajanta .
- 5- Agarwal, V.S.: Studies in Indian Art.
- 6- Khosa, Sunit : Handbook of Indian Art.
- 7- Deva, Krishna : Temples of North Indian.
- 8- Srinivasan, K.R. : Temples of South India
- 9- Sivaramamurti, C: Indian Painting .

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**Paper III : Ancient World Civilizations :-**

**UNIT I**

- 1- Egypt – Social , Economic, Religious Life and Art.  
2- Sumeria – Social, Economic, Religious life and Art.

**UNIT II**

- 1- Babylonia- Social , Economic, Religious life and Art.  
2- Assyria – Social, Economic, Religious life and Art.

**UNIT III**

- 1- Persia – Social , Economic, Religious life [Zoroaster ] and Art.  
2- China – Social , Economic, Religious Life [ Confucius, Lao-tes, Buddhism] and Art.

**UNIT IV**

- 1- Egean Civilization : Salient Features .  
2- Greek Civilization : Social, Economic, Religious life and Art.

**Books Recommended :-**

- 1- Will Durant : The Story of civilization Part I.  
2- Sykes, P: A History of Persia .  
3- Goodrich : A Short History of the Chinese People .  
4- Tripathi , R.P. : विश्व इतिहास  
5- Goyal , S.R. : विश्व की प्राचीन सभ्यताएं  
6- Pathak, S.M. विश्व की प्राचीन सभ्यताओं का इतिहास ।

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## **PAPPER-III Ancient World Civilization**

### **UNIT I**

1. Egypt – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.
2. Babylonia – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.
3. Summeria – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.

### **UNIT II**

1. Assyria – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.
2. Chaldian – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.

### **UNIT III**

1. Persia – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.
2. China – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.

### **UNIT IV**

1. Egean Civilization – Silent Features.
2. Greek Civilization – Social, Economic, Religious Life & Art.

### **BOOKS RECOMMENDED**

1. Will Durant : The story of Civilization Part I
2. Sykes. P : A History of Persia.
3. Goodrich : A short History of Chinese People.
4. Tripathi R.P. : Vishwa Itihas.
5. Goyal, S.R. : Vishwa Ki Prachin Sabhtayien
6. Pathak, S.M. : Vishwa Ki Prachin Sabhtayaon Ka Itihas