

MANONMANIAM SUNDARANAR UNIVERESITY

M.PHIL. HISTORY (CBCS) 2009-2010 onwards

SYLLABUS

The unitized syllabus for M.Phil. degree course in History revised in accordance with the UGC guidelines shall take effect from the academic year 2009-2010. The duration of the programme shall be spread over one full academic year, in two semesters.

Eligibility: M.A. History passed

Course Content

SEMESTER I

Subject and Credit	maximum marks	passing minimum
Paper I Research Methodology in History (5 credits)	100	50
Paper II Archives Keeping Or Indian Epigraphy (5 credits)	100	50

SEMESTER II

Paper III History of Tamil Nadu upto 1336 A.D. Or History of Tamil Nadu 1336 – 1967 A.D (5 credits)	100	50
Paper IV Dissertation valuation (10 credits)	100	50
Viva-voce	100	50
Total marks	500	250

Each paper will be divided into FIVE units

Scheme of examination

- Evaluation is based on continuous Internal assessment for 50% marks and end semester examinations for 50% marks

Internal assessment method

3 tests in each paper	30	marks
1 assignment in each paper	10	marks
1 seminar in each paper	10	marks

- Passing minimum in each paper is 50% (internal 50% and External 50%)
- Class declaration will be as per PG norms
- Dissertation will be valued by an external examiner as well as the guide for 50% each
- Viva-voce

Guide	50 marks
External Examiner	50 marks
Passing minimum	50/100 marks

Question paper pattern

SECTION A (5 x 5 = 25 marks)

Answer the following questions not more than 250 words each

All questions carry equal marks

Unit	Question
1	1 or 2
2	1 or 2
3	1 Or 2
4	1 or 2
5	1 or 2

SECTION B (5 x 15 = 75 marks)

Answer the following questions not more than 1000 words each

All questions carry equal marks

1	1 or 2
2	1 or 2
3	1 or 2
4	1 or 2
5	1 or 2

Paper I - Research Methodology

- Unit I : Sources of History - Historical Evidences - Archeological Evidences - Physical Remains Traditions - Written Accounts - Legends and Ballads - Literary Evidences - Sources of Ancient History - Medieval and Modern History.
- Unit II : Historical Methods - Techniques and Methods - Forms and Types - Selection of Problems - Requirements for thesis - Hypothesis.
- Unit III: Research Design - Research proposal requisites for investigation - Bibliographic Method - Recording evidences - Card File – Criticism : External and Internal Criticism.
- Unit IV: Organisation of Research work - Fact and Synthesis - Interpretation and Reasoning - Emphasis - Exposition and Style - Quotations - Statistical Methods - Objectivity and - Subjectivity.
- Unit V: Presentation of Thesis - Order of presentation - Foot Notes - Abbreviation - Glossary - Dates and Figures - Bibliography - Appendices.

BOOKS FOR REFERENCES:

1. Floude J.A. - Scientific Method Applied to History
2. Mill J.S. - Dissertations and Discussions
3. Nilakanda Sastry K.A. - Historical Method
4. Rajannan B. - Fundamentals of Research
5. Rajayyan K. - History : Theory and Method
6. Renier G.J. - History, its Propose and Method
7. Satish K. Bajaj - Research Methodology in History
8. Sharma B.A.V. - Research Methods in Social Sciences
9. Subramanian N. - Research Methodology
10. Thompson J.W. - A History of Historical Writing

Paper II - ARCHIVES KEEPING

- Unit I History of Archives keeping - Ancient , Medieval and Modern Europe – and India.
- Unit II Creation of Archives - Establishment of Archives and Library – Organisation of Archives – Preservation of Archives : Methods of Preservation.
- Unit III Functions of Archives – Uses of Archives - Historical, Administrative and Intellectual values.
- Unit IV Administration of Archives - National Archives – Tamilnadu Archives.
- Unit V National Archives of India – Tamil Nadu Archives – Private Archives.

BOOKS FOR REFERENCE

1. Baliga, B.S. - Guide to the records preserved in the Madras Record Office.
2. Schallenberg, T.R. - Modern Archives – Principles and Techniques.
3. Salien Ghose - Archives in India.
4. Sundara Raj, M - Manual of Archives Systems and the World of Archives.
5. Thiagarajan, J. - Archives Keeping.

Paper II INDIAN EPIGRAPHY

Unit I:

Epigraphy: Scope and purpose – Importance of the study Epigraphy and Allied subject – Epigraphists: James Prinsep – Buhler – Hultsch – K.G. Subramonia Aiyar – T.A. Gopinatha Rao – Rangacharya – Natesa Sastri – Krishna Sastri - V. Venkayya – K.V. Ramesh

Unit II:

Evolution of Scripts and forms of writing: Theories: Egyptian – Sumerian – Chinese – Greek – Indian Graffiti – Cuneiform – Linear – Pictographic – Hieroglyphics Brahmi: Asokan Brahmi: Tamizhi – Grantha: - Vatteluthu:

Unit III:

Writing materials and kinds of inscriptions: Bark of Trees – wood – skin of Animals – Claylets – Potteries – Leaves Papyrus & Palm leaves, – Rocks - Seals Copper – Plates. Kinds of Inscriptions: Religious, Donative – Commemorative. Deciphering Techniques Eye-copying-Estempage – Facsimile – Photographs & Photocopying.

Unit IV

Eras and Historical values: Dating methods : Saka Era – Kali Era – Vikrama era – Kollam Era. Value of inscriptions –Historical, Political, Social, Economic, Religious, Cultural and Literary – Meykirthis – Value of the Study of Inscriptions

Unit V

Forms and contents of select inscriptions:

- 1) Kudumiyanmalai music inscriptions
- 2) Velvikudi copper plates
- 3) Pallamkovil copper plates
- 4) Parthibasekarapuram copper plates
- 5) Nibandakarar inscriptions of Raja Raja I
- 6) Uthiramerur and Manur inscriptions

Books for Reference:

1. Buhler, Indian Paleography
2. Gulumurthy,S, Deciphering the Indus Script.
3. Mahadevan, Iravatham, Early Tamil Epigraphy: From the Earliest Times to the Sixth Century A.D.
4. Mahalingam, T.V., Indian Palaeography
5. Subrahmanyam, N and Venkataraman, R. Tamil Epigraphy
6. Subramanyam, T.N. South Indian Temple Inscriptions, Vol. II, Part II,
7. –do- , Ten Pandya Copper – Plates
8. –do- , Thirty Pallava Copper – Plates, Chennai

Paper III - HISTORY OF TAMIL NADU UPTO 1336 A.D.

- Unit 1 Pre-Historic Tamilaham : Geography – its impact – prehistoric sites – Palaeolithic – Microlithic – and Megalithic cultures – pre historic Tamils and Romans.
- Unit 2 Early Tamilagam : Sangam literature – Cheras – Cholas – Pandyas – administration - society – trade and commerce – military, religion – Kalabhras.
- Unit 3 Pallavas and First Pandyan Empire : Theories about the origin of the Pallavas – Political History – Administration, Society – religion – literature – art and architecture – Bhakti movement – Alwars – Nayanmars – Bhakti literature – political history of the I Pandiyan empire, society – religion.
- Unit 4 Age of Imperialism: Imperial Cholas - political history including Chalukya Cholas – Territorial expansion – Administration - Society – religion - Art and Architecture – literature – temple administration – Pandyas – political history – society - religion - administration – Art and Architecture – Marco Polo’s observation.
- Unit 5 Political Confusion : Civil War in the Pandya Country – its impact – Muslim intervention – Dislodging of Tamil powers – economic and social decay - religious fervour - emergence of Madurai Sultanate – its rule and impact – Kumara Kampana and the Sultanate of Madurai.

BOOKS FOR REFERENCE:

1. Alasiar, J., Military System of the Early Tamils.
2. Appadurai, A., Economic condition in South India (1000-1500 A.D) Vol.I & II.
3. Chempakalakshmi, R., The State in Pre-Colonial South India.
4. Gopalan, R Pallavas of Kanchi.
5. Hanumanthan, K.R., Untouchability in Tamil Nadu.
6. Krishnaswami Aiyangar S., Some Contributions of South India to Indian Culture.
7. Kanaka Sabhai Pillai, V., The Tamils 1800 Years Ago.
8. Karashima R. Noboru ; South Indian History and Society.
9. Mahalingam, T.V., Readings in South Indian History.
10. Meenakshi, C., Administration and Social life under the Pallavas.

11. Nilakanda Sastri, K.A. The Colas.
12. do , The Pandyan Kingdom.
13. do, History of South India.
14. do, Development of Religion in South India.
15. do, Foreign Notices of South India.
16. Rajayyan : History of Tamil Nadu (part I)
17. Sadasiva Pandarathar, T.V., Pandyar Varalaru.
18. Subramanian N, Sangam Polity,
19. do , History of Tamil Nadu upto 1336.
20. Srinivasa Iyengar : The History of the Tamils.
21. Shesha Iyar, K.G., The Chera Kings of the Sangam Age

or

Paper III - HISTORY OF TAMIL NADU 1336 - 1967A.D.

- Unit 1 Vijayanagar Rule in Tamil Nadu : The Three Nayak Kingdoms – Madurai, Tanjore and Senji – administration – society – religion – Christianity – John De Britto – Beschi, Robert De Nobili, cultural growth – art and architecture.
- Unit 2 The Nawabs and the Marathas : Arcot Nawabs – political conflicts with the Nayaks – administration – society and religion – Maratha power in Tanjore – Political History – society – religion culture – education – Christianity.
- Unit 3 Tamil Nadu under the Poligars : Poligari System, Kaval System, Military System, Kattabomman – The British – repressive measures – abolition of Poligari System – introduction of Zamindari System – merits and demerits – Sethupathis of Ramanathapuram.
- Unit 4 South Indian Rebellion and British - Maruthu Brothers – Vellore Mutiny - Tamil Nadu under the British – growth of education – Christianity and education – religious movements – Ramalinga Adigal – Muthu Kutti Samigal.
- Unit 5 Modern Tamil Nadu : Freedom Movement in Tamil Nadu – Congress Party – Maniyachi incident – Non Co-operation Movement – Justice Party – Civil Disobedience Movement, Quit - India Movement – Salt Satyagraha - E.V.R. and Dravida Kalaham, V.V.S. Ayyar, V.O.C., Rajaji – Satyamurthi – Tamil Nadu after Independence, Congress Administration – welfare measures – Kamaraj – his administration.

BOOKS FOR REFERENCE

1. Alasiar, J (ed) : Christianity in South India
2. do : Aspects of South Indian History
3. Chandra Babu, B. S. : Social Protest in Tamilnadu

4. Hanumanthan, K. R : Untouchability
5. Krishna Samy : The Tamil Country under in Vijayanaga Rule
6. Pillai, K.K. : A Social History of the Tamils
7. Nagasamy (ed) : South Indian Studies
8. Narasimhan, V.K. : Kamaraj – A Study
9. Rajayyan, K. : History of Madurai (1736-1801 A.D.)
10. do : South Indian Rebellion
11. do : British Diplomacy in Tanjore
12. do : Rise and tall of the Poligars in Tamilnadu
13. do : History of Tamil Nadu (Part II)
14. do : Tamil Nadu, A Real History
15. Rajaram, R. : The Justice Party
16. Sathiyanaatha Iyyar, R : History of the Nayaks of Madurai
17. do : Tamilaham in the 17th Century
18. Subramanian, N. : History of Tamil Nadu (PartII)
19. Subramanian, P. : Social History of Tamil Nadu
20. Srinivasachari, C.S. : A History of Gingi and its Rulers
21. Sardesai, G.S. : New History of the Marathas, Vol.II.