



BROCHURE FOR ADD-ON COURSE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

ACADEMIC SESSION-2022-23

**TITLE OF THE ADD ON COURSE- INDIAN HISTORY AND FREEDOM
STRUGGLE**

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A) Context:

The primary goal of higher education, particularly in general streams, has suffered a setback in recent times. Jobs in the academic sector have dried up in West Bengal and administrative jobs in PSUs are getting limited day by day due to various reasons. The pandemic has worsened the situation. As a result of these the prospect of entry in services is going to be more challenging. A mere graduation certificate appears to be a useless piece of paper due to massive unemployment.

B) Objective:

To deal with this emerging crisis, the Department has devised an Add-On Course on *Indian History and Freedom Struggle* to instill among our students a sense of awareness and urgency to meet up the requirement of competitive examinations. A graduate degree enables a student to appear in job oriented examinations that includes inter alia, UPSC and PSC Civil Services, Railway Recruitment Board, Bank Probationary Officers, LIC and other examinations of equal nature. It will be unjust to claim that this Course can provide a comprehensive and extensive preparatory model due to the constraints of time and human resources. The initial objective of this project is to make the students acquainted with the initial and basic parameters of the requirements in *Indian History and Freedom Struggle* of the aforesaid examinations.

C) Modus Operandi

The under graduate students with or without history as a subject in the curriculum has to encounter diversified Multiple Choice Questions from Indian History as well as Indian Freedom struggle. The internal faculties of the Department will clear the basic concepts about the fundamentals of Indian History and Indian Freedom Struggle. 30 hours of coursework will have the following components -a) instructional hours =20, b) workouts =9 hours, c) examination =1 hour. After successful completion of the course, a certificate will be issued to the students.

D) Target Group and Schedule

The courses will initially be offered to the immediate pass outs of the year 2020, 2021 and 2022 as well as the existing students of 2nd year. In a busy academic schedule it is quite difficult to accommodate such courses, but the primary target will be slack sessions during the even semester examinations. Schedules of classes will be communicated through notices. The Department will observe the issues regarding the schedule and modus operandi in the first year and necessary changes will be implemented in due course of time.

Moreover, the institution is also targeting the gradually increasing number of girl students in our college most of whom are first generation learners. Most of them are compelled, against their will, to get married due to family and social obligations and lost their opportunity to achieve financial self-sufficiency. This course will enable them to think otherwise by exploring the chances to get a job by cracking the competitive exams.

The course will be completely free of cost for our students as it will be managed by the human and physical resources available internally.

E) Project Outcome

The enrolled students will acquire knowledge on basic concepts of Indian History and Culture and that of the world's most elongated freedom struggle movement. This Add-on courses will enable them to deal with the Multiple Choice Questions by providing a holistic approach to the History syllabus within the General Studies framework of UPSC/PSC/Bank P.O/ etc. examinations. The course will introduce them in the difficult terrains of job oriented market demands. We can judge ourselves as fortunate if a good number of students of our college can achieve success in the competitive examinations in near future.

F) MODULAR BREAK UP OF SYLLABUS			
SL. NO.	THEMATIC UNITS	TIME ALLOTTED IN HRS	ASSIGNMENT
1	Ancient India - Harappan Civilization, Vedic Age, Magadhan and Mauryan Imperialism, The Kushanas and the Guptas, Early Medieval developments	5+2	GS AND RG
2	The medieval times – The Delhi Sultanate, India under the Mughals, Coming of the Europeans	5+2	PRS AND RG
3	The Colonial period – The British Paramountcy, The Reform Movements and the Renaissance; Uprisings against the British Rule; The Colonial Economy.	5+2	GS AND PRS
4	The Freedom Movement - The First War of Independence, Birth of Indian National Congress, The Moderates and the Extremists, Partition of Bengal, Communal Politics, Home rule movement, The Gandhian movements (1917-1942), Cabinet Mission, Azad Hind, Naval Revolt, Mountbatten Plan, The Govt. of India Acts, Freedom with Partition.	5+2	GS AND RG
5	Examination and necessary mentoring	2	PRS, GS AND RG
G) References			
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