B.A. History: Semester II

BAHIH 201: ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY (From Gupta's to 1206 A.D.)

Sub Code: BAHIH 201	No. of Lecture Hours per week: 04
Total Credit =04	Internal Marks: 30 and Exam Marks: 70 = 100

Objectives:

- This Paper highlights the contributions of Gupta Empire and Vardhana Dynasty and major South Indian Kingdoms.
- This Paper also deals with the Political achievements and cultural contributions of Chalukyas of Badami and Cholas of Tanjore and further enables students to know the impacts of Arab Invasions.

Module I:	The Gupta Empire-Vardhana Dynasty	12 Hours	
	Life and Achievements of Samudra Gupta and Chandragupta-II – Debate on the		
	Golden age of the Guptas Decline of Gupta Empire- Vardhana	Dynasty –	
	Harshavardhana, career & achievements.		
Module II:	South Indian Kingdoms	14 Hours	
	Sangam age - Literature, society and culture - Pallavas		
	Mahendravarma-I and Narasimhavaraman – I and their achievements, pallavas		
	contributions to literature, religion, art and Chalukyas of Badami- The		
	Cholas of Tanjore arechitecture.		
Module III:	Chalukyas of Badami: The Cholas of Tanjore	12 Hours	
	Chalukyas of Badami: Early Rulers - Pulakesi-II and his achievements,		
	cultural contributions of the chalukya's - The Cholas of Tanjore -Raja Raja		
	Chola and Rajendra Chola I - Their Military achievements Cholas		
	Administration with special reference to local self Government.		
Module IV:	Conquest of India by the Arabs and Its effects	12 Hours	
	Invasion of Mohammad Ghori - Causes and effects. Mhammad -Bin- Kasim - Mohammad Ghajni- invasions, causes and results.		
Module V:	Map Work.	10 Hours	
	Conquest of Samudragupta - The Chalukyan Empire under Pulakeshi II.		

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- 4. Chakrabarti, D. K. 1997. Colonial Indology, Socio-politics of the Ancient Indian Past. Munshiram Manoharlal: Delhi.
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- 7. Roy, Kumkum, 1994. Emergence of Monarchy in North India. OUP: New Delhi.
- 8. Sharma, R.S. 1991. Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India. Motilal Banarasidass: Delhi.

Suggested Reading:

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- 03 Ramesh.K.V 1984, Chalukyas of Vatapi, Delhi.
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- 06 Epigrapia Carnatica, Volumes.
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- 08 Rayachaudhri, Tapan & Irfan Habib. Cambridge Economic History of India. Vol. I-X, 550c.- 1750A.D.. S. Chand: New Delhi. 1984.
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Select E-resources:

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- 2. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ancient Indian History
- 3. http://www.brown.edu/Facilities/Haffenreffer/documents/DigItteacherpacket--Final.pdf