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PROGRAMME DETAILS

TEST TYPE	TEST TIMING	DAY OF TEST
SECTIONAL	01:00 PM to 04:00 PM	Tuesday
TESTS	04:30 PM to 07:30 PM	Wednesday to Friday
FULL SYLLABUS	Morning & Evening Sessions	As Per Test Schedule

This is Not just a Test Series Programme, it is a Comprehensive Package for History Optional Preparation.

HISTORY OPT. TEST SERIES SCHEDULE

DETAILS	TEST SYLLABUS		
Test - 1 O2 July'24 WORLD HISTORY - I	 Enlightenment and Modern ideas: (a) Major ideas of Enlightenment; Kant, Rousseau (b) Spread of Enlightenment in the colonies (c) Rise of socialist ideas (up to Marx); spread of Marxian Socialism. 	Nation – State System: (a) Rise of Nationalism in 19 th century (b) Nationalism; state – building in Germany and Italy (c) Disintegration of Empires in the face of the emergence of nationalities across the world	
	Origins of Modern Politics: (a) European States System (b) American Revolution and the Constitution (c) French revolution and aftermath, 1789–1815 (d) American Civil War with reference to Abraham Lincoln and the abolition of slavery (e) British Democratic politics (1815 – 1850) —Parliamentary Reformers, Free Traders, Chartists Industrialization: (a) English Industrial Revolution; causes and impact on Society (b) Industrialization in other countries; USA, Germany, Russia, Japan (c) Industrialization and Globalization	Revolution and Counter – Revolution: (a) 19 th Century European revolutions (b) The Russian Revolution of 1917 – 1921 (c) Fascist Counter – Revolution, Italy and Germany. (d) The Chinese Revolution of 1949 World Wars: (a) 1 st and 2 nd World Wars as Total Wars: Societal implications (b) World War I: Causes and consequences (c) World War II: Causes and consequence	
Test - 2 16 July'24 WORLD HISTORY - II	The World after World War II: (a) Emergence of two power blocs (b) Emergence of Third World and non—alignment (c) UNO and the global disputes Imperialism and Colonialism: (a) South and South—east Asia (b) Latin America and South Africa (c) Australia (d) Imperialism and free trade; Rise of neo—imperialism. Liberation from Colonial Rule: (a) Latin America—Bolivar (b) Arab world—Egypt (c) Africa—Apartheid to Democracy (d) South—East Asia—Vietnam (e) Decolonization and Underdevelopment (f) Factors constraining development: Latin America, Africa	Unification of Europe: (a) Post War Foundations: NATO and European Community (b) Consolidation and Expansion of European Community (c) European Union Disintegration of Soviet Union and the Rise of the Unipolar World (a) Factors leading to the collapse of Soviet communism and the Soviet Union, 1985 – 1991 (b) Political Changes in Eastern Europe 1989 – 2001 (c) End of the cold war and US ascendancy in the world as the lone superpower.	

DETAILS

TEST SYLLABUS

Test - 3

06 Aug'24

MODERN INDIA - I

European Penetration into India:

- (a) The Early European Settlements
- (b) The Portuguese and the Dutch
- (c) The English and the French East India Companies
- (d) Their struggle for supremacy: Carnatic Wars;
- (e) Bengal the conflict between the English and the Nawabs of Bengal; Siraj and the English; The Battle of Plassey, Significance of Plassey.

British Expansion in India:

- (a) Bengal Mir Zafar and Mir Kasim
- (b) The Battle of Buxar
- (c) Mysore
- (d) The Marathas
- (e) The three Anglo Maratha Wars
- (f) The Punjab

Early Structure of the British Raj:

- (a) The early administrative structure From diarchy to direct control
- (b) the Regulating Act (1773)
- (c) The Pitt's India Act (1784)
- (d) The Charter Act (1833)
- (e) The voice of free trade and the changing character of British colonial rule
- (f) The English Utilitarian and India.

Economic Impact of British Colonial Rule:

- (a) Land revenue settlements in British India -The Permanent Settlement, Ryotwari Settlement, Mahalwari Settlement,
- (b) Economic impact of the revenue arrangements
- (c) Commercialization of agriculture
- (d) Rise of landless agrarian labourers
- (e) Impoverishment of the rural society.
- (f) Dislocation of traditional trade and commerce
- (g) De-industrialization
- (h) Decline of traditional crafts
- (i) Drain of wealth
- (j) Economic transformation of India
- (k) Railroad and communication network including telegraph and postal services
- (I) Famine and poverty in the rural interior
- (m) European business enterprise and its limitations.

Social and Cultural Developments:

- (a) The state of indigenous education and its dislocation
- (b) Orientalists-Anglicists controversy
- (c) The introduction of western education in India
- (d) The rise of press, literature and public opinion
- (e) The rise of modern vernacular literature
- (f) Progress of science
- (g) Christian missionary activities in India.

Social and Religious Reform movements in Bengal and Other areas:

- (a) Ram Mohan Roy
- (b) The Brahmo Movement
- (c) Devendranath Tagore
- (d) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
- (e) The Young Bengal Movement
- (f) Dayananda Saraswati
- **(g)** The social reform movements in India including Sati, widow remarriage, child marriage etc.
- **(h)** The contribution of Indian renaissance to the growth of modern India
- (i) Islamic revivalism the Faraizi and Wahabi Movements.

Indian Response to British Rule:

- (a) Peasant movements and tribal uprisings in the 18th and 19th centuries including—
 - the Rangpur Dhing (1783)
 - the Kol Rebellion (1832)
 - the Mopla Rebellion in Malabar (1832 1920)
 - the Santhal Hul (1855)
 - indigo rebellion (1859 60)
 - Deccan Uprising (1875)
 - the Munda Ulgulan (1899 1900)
- **(b)** The Great Revolt of 1857 Origin, character, causes of failure, the consequences
- (c) The shift in the character of peasant uprisings in the post 1857 period
- (d) The peasant movements of the 1920s and 1930s.

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Nourishing Success... **DETAILS TEST SYLLABUS** Test - 4 First Phase of Indian Nationalism: (r) Cripps Mission (a) Factors leading to the birth of Indian Nationalism (s) the Wavell Plan 20 Aug'24 (b) Politics of Association (t) The Cabinet Mission. **MODERN** (c) The Foundation of the Indian National Constitutional Developments in the Colonial India INDIA - II Congress between 1858 and 1935 Other strands in the National Movement: (d) the Safety – valve thesis relating to the birth of the Congress (a) The Revolutionaries of Bengal, the Punjab, Maharashtra, U.P, the Madras Presidency and (e) Programme and objectives of Early Congress outside India. (f) the social composition of early Congress (b) The Left within the Congress; Jawaharlal Nehru, leadership Subhas Chandra Bose. (g) the Moderates and Extremists (c) The Congress Socialist Party (h) The Partition of Bengal (1905) (d) The Communist Party of India and other left (i) The Swadeshi Movement in Bengal (j) the economic and political aspects of Swadeshi Separatist strands in the National Movement: Movement (a) Politics of Separatism (k) The beginning of revolutionary extremism in (b) the Muslim League India. (c) the Hindu Mahasabha Second Phase of Indian Nationalism: (d) Communalism and the politics of partition (a) Rise of Gandhi (e) Transfer of power (b) Character of Gandhian nationalism (f) Independence. (c) Gandhi's popular appeal Consolidation as a Nation (d) Rowlatt Satyagraha (a) Nehru's Foreign Policy (e) the Khilafat Movement (b) India and her neighbours (1947 - 1964) (f) the Non-cooperation Movement (c) The linguistic reorganization of States (1935 -(g) National politics from the end of the Non -1947) cooperation movement to the beginning of the (d) Regionalism and Regional Inequality; Civil Disobedience movement (e) Integration of Princely States (h) the two phases of the Civil Disobedience Movement (f) Princes in electoral politics (i) Simon Commission (g) The question of National Language. (j) The Nehru Report Caste and Ethnicity after 1947 (k) The Round Table Conferences (a) Backward castes and tribes in post - colonial electoral politics (I) Nationalism and the Peasant Movements (b) Dalit movements. (m) Nationalism and Working class movements **Economic development and political change** (n) Women and Indian youth and students in Indian politics (1885 - 1947) (a) Land reforms

colonial India

(b) the politics of planning and rural reconstruction

(c) Ecology and environmental policy in post-

(o) the election of 1937 and the formation of

ministries

(p) Cripps Mission

(q) the Quit India Movement

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DETAILS	TEST SYLLABUS		
Test - 5	Sources:	(c) Extent	
10.0	(a) Archaeological sources: Exploration, Excavation,	(d) Characteristics	
10 Sept'24	Epigraphy, Numismatics, Monuments	(e) Decline	
ANCIENT	(b) Literary sources : Indigenous: Primary and	(f) Survival	
INDIA - I	secondary: poetry, scientific literature, literature	(g) Significance	
	in regional languages, religious literature	(h) Art and architecture	
	(c) Foreign accounts : Greek, Chinese and Arab writers	Aryans and Vedic Period:	
	Pre – History and Proto – History:	(a) Expansions of Aryans in India	
	(a) Geographical factors	(b) Religious and philosophic literature	
	(b) Hunting and gathering (Palaeolithic and	(c) Transformation from Rig Vedic period to the later	
	Mesolithic)	Vedic period	
	(c) Beginning of agriculture (Neolithic and	(d) Political (e) Social	
	Chalcolithic)	(f) Economical life	
	(d) Megalithic Cultures	(g) Significance of the Vedic Age	
	(e) Distribution of pastoral and farming cultures	(h) Evolution of Monarchy and Varna system	
	outside the Indus	Period of Mahajanapadas or post Vedic age:	
	(f) Development of Community life	(a) Formation of States (Mahajanapada) - Republics	
	(g) Settlements	and Monarchies	
	(h) Development of agriculture	(b) Rise of urban centres	
	(i) Development of Crafts	(c) Trade routes	
	(j) Development of Pottery	(d) Economic growth	
	(k) Development of Iron industry	(e) Introduction of coinage	
	Indus Valley Civilization:	(f) Spread of Jainism and Buddhism	
	(a) Origin	(g) Rise of Magadha and Nandas	
	(b) Date	Iranian and Macedonian invasions and their impact	
Test - 6	Mauryan Empire:	(f) Coinage	
04 Santi04	(a) Foundation of the Mauryan Empire,	(g) Development of religions	
24 Sept'24	Chandragupta, Kautilya and Arthashastra	(h) Mahayana	
ANCIENT	(b) Ashoka's concept of Dharma	(i) Society & Culture	
INDIA - II	(c) Ashokan Edicts (d) Polity	(j) Art & Architecture	
	(e) Administration	(k) Culture	
	(f) Economy	(I) Literature (m) Science.	
	(g) Art, architecture and sculpture	Early State and society in Eastern India, Deccan and	
	(h) External contacts	South India:	
	(i) Religion	(a) Kharavela	
	(j) Spread of religion	(b) The Satavahanas and Tamil States of the Sangam	
	(k) Literature(l) Disintegration of the empire	Age – their Administration and Economic life	
	Post – Mauryan Period:	(c) Land grants	
	(a) Sungas and Kanvas	(d) Coinage	
	(b) Indo – Greeks, Sakas, Kushanas, Western	(e) Trade guilds	
	Kshatrapas	(f) Urban centres	
	(c) Contact with outside world	(g) Buddhist centres	
	(d) Growth of urban centres	(h) Sangam literature and culture (i) Art and architecture.	
	(e) Economy	(i) Artanu architecture.	

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	Guptas, Vakatakas and Vardhans Age: (a) Polity and administration (b) Economic conditions (c) Coinage of the Guptas (d) Land grants (e) Decline of urban centres (f) Indian feudalism (g) Caste system (h) Position of women (i) Education (j) Education institutions - Nalanda, Vikramashila and Vallabhi (k) Literature including scientific literature (l) Art and Architecture Regional States during Gupta Era: (a) The Kadambas (b) Pallavas - Polity and administration (c) Chalukyas of Badami and Kalyani - Polity and administration (d) Trade guilds (e) Literature (f) Institutions of temple and temple architecture (g) Palas, Senas, Rashtrakutas, Paramaras, Polity and administration (h) Cultural aspects. (i) Arab conquest of Sind (j) Alberuni (k) Hoysalas, Pandyas - Polity and Administration (l) Growth of art and architecture (m) Religious sects (n) Institution of temple and Mathas (o) Agraharas (p) Education and Literature (q) Economy and Society.	Early Medieval India, 750 – 1200: (a) Major political developments in Northern India and the Peninsula (b) Origin and the rise of Rajputs (c) The Cholas: administration, Village Economy and Society (d) Indian Feudalism (e) Agrarian economy and urban settlements (f) Trade and Commerce (g) Society: • the status of the Brahman and the new social order • Condition of women (h) Indian science and technology (i) Philosophy: • Shakaracharya and Vedanta • Ramanuja and Vishistadwaita • Madhava and Brahma – Mimamsa (j) Religion: • Forms and features of religion • Tamil Bhakti movement - Growth of Vaishnava and Shaiva religions • Islam and its arrival in India • Sufism (k) Literature: • Literature in Sanskrit • Growth of Tamil literature • Literature in the newly developing languages • Kalhana's Rajatarangini • Alberuni's India • Art and Architecture: Temple architecture, Sculpture, Painting Themes in Early Indian cultural History: (a) Languages and texts (b) Major stages in the evolution of art and
Test - 7 15 Oct'24 MEDIEVAL INDIA - I	DELHI SULTANATE: (a) The Ghaurian invasions – factors behind Ghaurian success (b) Economic, social and cultural consequences establishment of the Delhi Sultanate (c) Foundation of Delhi Sultanate (d) Consolidation: • The rule of Iltutmish and Balban (e) The Khalji revolution (f) Alauddin Khalji: • Conquests and territorial expansion • Agrarian and Economic measures	 (g) Muhammad Tughluq: Major projects Agrarian measure Bureaucracy of Muhammad Tughluq (h) Firuz Tughluq: Agrarian measures Achievements in civil engineering and public works (i) Decline of the Sultanate (j) Foreign contacts; Ibn Battuta's account

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DETAILS	TEST SYLLABUS	
	Political developments and Economy during 15th and early 16th Century: (a) Rise of Provincial Dynasties: Bengal, Kashmir (Zainul Abidin), Gujarat, Malwa, Bahmanis (b) The Vijayanagar Empire (c) Lodhis (d) The Sur Empire: Sher Shah's administration (e) Portuguese Colonial enterprise (f) Bhakti and Sufi Movements Thirteenth and Fourteenth Centuries: (a) Society:	(b) Culture: Persian literature Literature in the regional languages of North India Literature in the languages of south India, Sultanate architecture and new structural forms Painting evolution of a composite culture (c) Economy: Agricultural production Rise of urban economy and non—agricultural production Trade and commerce The Fifteenth and early sixteenth Century — Society and Culture: (a) Regional cultural specificities (b) Literary traditions (c) Provincial architecture (d) Society, culture, literature and the arts in Vijayanagara Empire
Test - 8 29 Oct'24	MUGHAL PERIOD: (a) Nature of the Mughal State	Economy and society in the 16th and 17th Centuries: (a) Population, agricultural production, craft production
MEDIEVAL INDIA - II	 (b) First phase: Babur and Humayun (c) Akbar: Conquests and consolidation of the Empire 	 (b) Towns, commerce with Europe through Dutch, English and French companies - a trade revolution (c) Indian mercantile classes, banking, insurance and
	 Establishment of jagir and Mansab systems Rajput policy Evolution of religious and social outlook, Theory of Sulh –i – Kul Religious policy Court patronage of art and technology (d) Major administrative policies of Jahangir, Shahjahan and Aurangzeb (e) The Empire and the Zamindars (f) Religious policies of Jahangir, Shahjahan and Aurangzeb (g) Late Seventeenth century crisis and the revolts (h) The Ahom Kingdom (i) Shivaji and the early Maratha Kingdom 	credit systems (d) Condition of peasants, condition of women (e) Evolution of the Sikh community and the Khalsa Panth (f) Culture in the Mughal Empire (g) Persian histories and the other literature (h) Hindi and the other religious literature (i) Mughal architecture (j) Mughal painting (k) Provincial architecture and painting (l) Classical music (m) Science and technology The Eighteenth Century: (a) Factors for the decline of the Mughal Empire (b) The regional principalities: Nizam's Deccan, Bengal, Awadh
Test - 9	19 Nov'24 FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - I	Syllabus same as mentioned under T - 5 to T - 8
Test - 10	03 Dec'24 FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - II	Syllabus same as mentioned under T - 1 to T - 4
Test - 11	31 Dec'24 FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - I	Syllabus same as mentioned under T - 5 to T - 8
Test -12	07 Jan'25 FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - II	Syllabus same as mentioned under T - 1 to T - 4

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