



COOCH BEHAR PANCHANAN BARMA UNIVERSITY

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4 Year Under Graduate Degree (Honours) in History

Course: *MDC*

Paper Title: **History of Modern Europe (1789 A.D-1945 A.D.)**

Paper Code: HIS-MDC2

Objectives:

The period between 1789 to 1945 is the most important period in the history of Europe. The French Revolution of 1789 brought about a major transformation of the society and political system in France. It marked the end of monarchical rule in Europe and signaled the beginning of the era of democracy. The industrialization of England, France, Germany and Russia had a profound effect on the politics and economy of Europe. During this period, nationalism and unification movement started in some European countries. The two devastating World wars took place which had a profound effect on every sphere of life of the people. The League of Nations and the United Nations, the two international organizations were created to maintain peace in the world.

Outcome: This paper is a mile stone on the way of transitional period towards modernization, it will help the students for growing consciousness.

Unit I: The French Revolution (1789-1814)

France on the Eve of French Revolution; Causes, Course and Results of the French Revolution; The “Reign of Terror”; Rise of Napoleon Bonaparte to power and his Reforms, Continental System, causes of downfall of Napoleon.

Unit II: Restoration and Revolution-1815 1848

The Vienna Settlement; Metternich System; Concert of Europe; July Revolution of 1830 and the February of 1848 in France; The fall of the Metternich System; Napoleon III.

Unit III: The Industrial Revolution (Phase II)

Consolidation in Britain, Industrialization in Europe special reference to France, Germany and Russia; impact of Industrial Revolution.

Unit IV: Rising Tide of Nationalism and the Unification of Nations

The Unification of Italy- The roles of Victor Emmanuel, Mazzini, Kavour and Garibaldi.

The Unification of Germany, the role of Bismark.

Unit V: The Eastern Question

Greek War of Independence, Crimean War, The Treaty of Berlin, The ‘Young Turk’ movement.



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Unit VI: World War I Causes of the World War I, formation of the Triple Alliance and the Triple Entente, the Balkan crisis, the Serajevo murder and out-break of the World War. Peace Settlement of 1919, the League of Nations and the Collective Security.

Unit VII: Reforms and Revolutions in Russia

Emancipation of serfs, the Revolution of 1905 and the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917.

Unit VIII: Rise of Fascism and Nazism: Hitler and Mussolini. The Spanish Civil War of 1936-39.

Unit IX: World War II: Causes-courses and results of the World war II, Wartime Conferences.

Unit X: The United Nations

Formation of the UNO, Aims of the UNO, Organs of the UNO, their functions and its success and failure.

Recommended Books:

1. Brandenburg: From Bismark to the World War, 1927
2. Gooch, G.P.: History of Modern Europe (1978-1919)
3. N.V. Riasanovsky: A History of Russia.
4. J.M. Robert, Europe 1880 - 1985.
5. J.J. Roth (ed.), World War I: A Turning Point in Modern History.
6. James Joll, Origins of the First World war (1989).
7. J.M. Robert, Europe 1880 - 1985.
8. J.J. Roth (ed.), World War I: A Turning Point in Modern History.
9. Mansergh, N.: The Coming of the First World War (1871-1914). 1949
10. Taylor, A. J. P.: The Struggle for Mastery in Europe (1848-1918), 1954
11. Thomas, A.M.M.: The Spanish Civil War, New York, 1963
12. Carr, E. H.: International Relations between the two World Wars 1919-1939.
13. Fraser, L.: Germany between Two Wars.
14. Jarman, T.L.: The Rise and Fall of Nazi Germany, 1956.
- Pollock, F.: The League of Nations.
15. Knudson, J.I.: A History of the League of Nations, 1938.
16. Walter, F.P.: A History of the League of Nations, 1952.



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17. King, B, Fascism in Italy, 1931.

18. Taylor, A. J. P.: The Origin of the Second World War, London, 1963.

19. Langsam, W. C.: World Since 1914

20. Hobsbawm, The Age of Extremes, 1914 – 1991, New York:

21. Vintage, 1996 Langsam, W. C.: World Since 1914

22. Sen, Asit Kumar.: International Relations since World War I.



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Course: *MDC*

Paper Title: **History of North Bengal (1200 A.D. -2005 A.D.)**

Paper Code: HIS-MDC3

Objectives:

North Bengal has a unique position in the history of India since ancient times. It has a rich history associated with the Princely State of Cooch Behar and Gauda. The different names of North Bengal in different stages were used were Pundrabardhan, Barendra, Gauda, Gaurbanga etc. At present it is known as Jalpaiguri Division consisting of eight districts, i.e., Cooch Behar, Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Darjeeling, Kalimpong, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur and Malda. It played a major role in the Indian freedom movement. North Bengal is a treasure of rich culture and history. Peoples of different races, religions, cultures and languages live here in communal harmony.

Outcome: Students will be benefitted about the regional history of North Bengal which is an important part of the history of Bengal.

Unit-1: Sultanate and Mughal rule in North Bengal:

- a) Bakhtiyar Khalji's expedition to Kamrup
- b) Invasion of Sikander Shah
- c) Barbak Shah's attack on Kamatapur
- d) Alauddin Hussain Shah's conquest of Kamatapur
- e) Expansion of the Mughal Empire in the Northeast Frontier

Unit-2: The Khen and the Koch dynasty:

- a) History of the Khen of Kamta Kingdom
- b) History of the Koch Kingdom from 1522 to 1773.

Unit-3: Emergence of Modern North Bengal

- a) Pre-colonial North Bengal; North Bengal and Sub-Himalayan Region-adjoining areas
Ethno Socio-Religious conference
- b) Colonial penetration
- c) Colonial administration: Re-organization of North Bengal

Unit-4: History of the Cooch Behar State since 1772: Society and Culture.

Unit-5: History of migration: Demographic changes: New social structure

Unit-6: Introduction of Colonial Economy

- a) Land Revenue Settlement, agriculture.
- b) Plantation economy



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- c) Trade and commerce

Unit-7: Protest movement

- a) Peasant movements
- b) Plantation worker movements

Unit-8: Stages of National Movements

Unit-9: Post-partition Re-organization of North Bengal

Unit-10: The State Reorganization Commission 1953-1955 and North Bengal

Unit-11: Some major problem

- a) Berubari Problem
- b) Chitmahal Problem

Unit-12: Some Local Movements

- a) Naxalbari peasant movement
- b) Formation of Uttarakhand Dal

Unit-13:

- a) Political scenario of the Hill North Bengal;
- b) UttarbangaTapsiliJati O AdivasiSangathan
- c) Kamatapur Peoples Party
- d) The Greater Cooch Behar Peoples Association Movement

Books Recommended:

1. Romit Bagchi, Gorkhaland: Crisis of State
2. Madhab Chandra Adhikary, Rajbanshi Samaj O Manisi Panchanan Barma
3. Subhajyoti Roy, Transformation of the Bengal Frontier: Jalpaiguri, 1765-1948
4. Ranjit Dasgupta, Economy, Society and Politics in Bengal: Jalpaiguri 1869-1947
5. Malay Shankar Bhattacharjee and Ananda Gopal Ghosh, Studies in History and Archeology.
6. Sarit Bhowmick, Class Formation in the Plantation System.
7. Chittabrata Palit, Perspectives on Agrarian Bengal.
8. S.P.Sen (ed) Modern Bengal :A Socio- Economic Survey
9. -----(ed)SocialandReligiousReformsMovementintheNineteenthandTwentieth centuries.
10. Sugata Bose, Peasant Labour and Colonial Capital: Rural Bengal Since 1770
11. Peter Custer, Women in Tebhaga Uprising.
12. Sunil Sen, Agrarian Struggles in Bengal, 1946-47



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13. N.K. Sinha (ed), History of Bengal, Vol. II
 14. Sekhar Bandopadhyay, Caste, Politics and the Raj : Bengal 1872-1937
 15. H.N. Choudhury, The Cooch Behar State and its Land Revenue Settlements 1903
 16. R.M. Lahiri (ed) Jalpaiguri Zilla Centenary Volume
 17. AKM Museum, North Bengal University, Archaeological History of North Bengal
 18. B.N. Mukherjee and P.K. Bhattacharya (ed) Historical Perspective of North Bengal
 19. B.C. Ghosh, The Development of Tea Industry in the District of Jalpaiguri
 20. Ganadhar Banerjee and Sreejeeta Banerjee, Darjeeling Tea : The Golden Brew
 21. Biswanath Das and Subhendu Majumder, Princely Cooch Behar: A Documentary Study on Letters
 22. M. Chakraborty, A Summary of the Changes in the Jurisdiction of District in Bengal, 1757-1916
 23. P. Griffiths, The History of the Indian Tea Industry.
 24. S.K. Chaube (ed) The Himalayas: Profiles of Modernization and Adaptation
 25.Hill Politics in North East India
 26. Barendra Anchaler Itihas, Rajshahi Divisional Commissioner Bangladesh
 27. Prabhat Chatterjee, The Present History of West Bengal
 28. Amalendu Guha, Planter Raj to Swaraj
 29. Upendra Nath Barman, Uttar Banger Sekal O Amar Jiban Smriti
 30. T.B. Subba, A.C. Sinha, G.S. Nepal, D R Nepal (ed), Indian Nepalies
 31. Khan Choudhury Amanatullah Khan, Cooch Behar Itihas, Vol. I
 32. S.C. Ghoshal, A History of Cooch Behar
 33. Sukhabilash Barma (ed), Socio-Political Movement in North Bengal Vol. I & Vol. II
 34. Sailen Debnath (ed), Social and Political Tensions in North Bengal (Since 1947)
 35. Dharendra Nath Das, Regional Movements Ethnicity and Politics.
 36. Dhananjoy Roy (ed), Tebhaga Andolan (Bengali)
 37. Kartik Chandra Sutradhar, Revisiting the Freedom Movement of India: A Study of the Freedom Movement of North Bengal, Abhijit Publication, New Delhi.
 38. Madhab Ch. Adhikary and et.al. Socio-Cultural Issues of the Rajbanshis of North Bengal, Kunal Books, New Delhi.
 39. Madhab Ch. Adhikary, Ananda Gopal Ghosh and Kartik Ch. Sutradhar, Exploring Sub-Himalayan Region of West Bengal and Her Neighbours: Society, Religion and Culture Since 1947, Kunal Books, New Delhi.
 40. Kartik Chandra Sutradhar, Poulami Bhawal, Minati Datta Mishra and Kalikrishna Sutradhar, Swadhinata 75 Fire Dekha, Akshar Prokashani, Kolkata, (In Bengali)