

**BACHELOR OF ARTS 2nd SEMESTER
DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC COURSE (CORE)
HS220C: HISTORY: MEDIEVAL INDIA / MEDIEVAL KASHMIR**

**Credits: Theory-4, Tutorial: 02
Hours: 60+30=90**

Theory: (4 Credits: 60 hours; Maximum Marks: 60; Minimum Marks: 24)

Objectives/ Expected Learning Outcomes:

- A) To acquaint students with the rich Indo-Islamic heritage of Indian Sub-continent.
- B) An appreciation of Functioning of administrative apparatus of state in Medieval India
- C) Evaluation in lounge duree the evolution, change and continuities in political and economic structures of Medieval India

The course discusses the establishment of Delhi Sultanate; its polity and administration besides, the causes and consequences of its decline. The unification of Indian sub-continent under Mughal rule fostered a uniform pattern of governance that the paper highlights. The paper offers insights into the functioning of state institutions and policies. The fall of Mughal Empire is surrounded by a highly informed scholarly debate that the paper discusses at length. The socio-cultural afflorences of Kashmir under Sultan Zain-ul-Abidin will be highlighted. The changes in polity and economy under Mughals in Kashmir; the tyrannies of Afghan rule and changes in economy under Lahore Darbar are addressed. In short, the paper offers the holistic view of rich history of medieval India.

After pursuing the course students are expected to:

- A) Identify and appreciate the prominent sources of medieval Indian History
- B) Analyse nature of state and politics in medieval India
- C) Understand socio-political developments and evolution of composite culture in Medieval India.

Unit-I (Sultanate Period)

- I. Introduction to Prominent Primary Sources
- II. Foundation of Delhi Sultanate, Significance
- III. Polity: A Brief Survey
- IV. Administration: Central and Provincial

Unit –II (Mughal India)

- I. Introduction to Prominent Sources
- II. Foundation of Mughal Rule
- III. Consolidation under Akbar- Manasabdari System and Religious policy
- IV. Aurangzeb: Religious policy.
- V. Decline of Mughal Empire-Debate

Unit –III (Medieval Kashmir-I)

- I. Emergence of Sultanate
- II. Contribution of Zain-ul- Abidin to Economy and Culture
- III. Chak Rule: Main Developments

Unit-IV (Medieval Kashmir-II)

- I. Mughals and Kashmir-Changes in Polity and Economy.
- II. Kashmir under Afghans – An Assessment
- III. Lahore Darbar -Changes in Economy.

TUTORIALS (2 CREDITS; 30 MARKS)

Tutorials-I: Site visit and Report writing on any Medieval monument of Kashmir.

Tutorials-II: Reviewing excerpts on any Primary source of Medieval India/ Medieval Kashmir.

SUGGESTED READINGS:

- Chandra Satish, 2003, Medieval India, Orient Blackswan, New Delhi.
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- Habib and Nizami, Comprehensive History of India Vol. V., Indian History Congress.
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