

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (GENERAL PROGRAMME) 2nd SEMESTER
CORE COURSE**

IS220C: ISLAMIC STUDIES: ISLAMIC CIVILIZATION UNDER THE ABBASIDS AND THE MUSLIM SPAIN

CREDITS: THEORY: 4, TUTORIAL: 2

Objectives / Expected Learning Outcomes:

The course aims at the study of Islamic civilization in terms of polity, society, education and sciences under the Abbasids and in Muslim Spain. It will also acquaint the students with the rich intellectual, scientific and architectural heritage of Islam that had an impact on the West as well.

THEORY (4 CREDITS) 60 HOURS

MAX. MARKS; 60,

MIN. MARKS: 24

Unit I: Rise of the Abbasids

- 1) Establishment of the Abbasid Dynasty
- 2) The Golden Age of the Abbasids: Al-Mansur and Al-Mamun
- 3) Abbasid Administration: Central and Judiciary

Unit II: Intellectual Developments under the Abbasids

- 1) Development of Education and Literature
- 2) *Bayt ul Hikmah* and Translation Movement
- 3) Intellectual Contribution to the Development of:
 - (a) Science and Medicine
 - (b) History, Geography and Philosophy

Unit III: Islam in Spain

- 1) Socio-Political Conditions of Spain on the eve of Muslim Rule: An Overview
- 2) Establishment of Muslim Rule in Spain
- 3) Contribution of Abd al-Rahman-I and Abd al-Rahman-III

Unit IV: Intellectual and Cultural Developments in Muslim Spain

- 1) Natural Sciences (Astronomy and Medicine)
- 2) Social Sciences (History and Philosophy)
- 3) Contribution to the Development of Arts and Architecture

TUTORIALS (2 CREDITS): 30 HOURS

MAX. MARKS; 30

MIN. MARKS: 12

- 1) Development of Religious Sciences during the Abbasid Period
- 2) Trade and Commerce during the Abbasid Period
- 3) Main features of Hispano-Arab Society
- 4) Decline of the Umayyad Rule in Spain

BOOKS RECOMMENDED:

- 1) Hassan, Masadul, *History of Islam*, Adam Publishers & Distributors, New Delhi.
- 2) Sawlat, Sarwat, *Millat-i-Islami Ki Mukhtasar Trikh*, Markazi Maktaba Islami, Delhi.
- 3) Nadwi, Muin ud Din Ahmad, *Tarikh-i-Islam*, Darul Musanifin, Azamgarh.
- 4) Hussain, Athar, *The Arab Administration*, Academy of Islamic Research, Lucknow.
- 5) Najeeabadi, Akbar Shah, *Tarikh Islam*, Adam Publishers & Distributors, New Delhi.
- 6) Hitti, P. K., *History of the Arabs*, Macmillan Publications, UK.
- 7) Nadvi, Riyasal Ali, *Tarikh Andalus*, Darul Musanifeen, Azamgarh.
- 8) Shah, Naseem Ahmad, *Islamic Technology: An Illustrated History*, UNESCO Project, Sahil Publications Srinagar
- 9) Muhammad Ishaque, *Andalus aur Sicily ki Muslim Tareekh o Saqafat*, al Balagh Publication, New Delhi
- 10) Arnold, Thomas, *The Preaching of Islam*, Adam Publishers & Distributors, New Delhi.
- 11) Relevant Articles in *Encyclopedia of Islam*.
- 12) Relevant Articles in *Encyclopedia of Modern Muslim World*.
- 13) Relevant Articles in *Insight Islamicus* (Vol. 1-18), ISSN: 0975-6590, Shah-i-Hamadan Institute of Islamic Studies, University of Kashmir (Indexed in *Index Islamicus*, London).