

SYLLABUS

WORLD HISTORY

1871 - 1991

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER –SETTER AND CANDIDATES:

The syllabus has been divided into four Units.

There shall be 9 questions in all. The first question is compulsory and shall be short answer type containing 15 short questions spread over the whole syllabus to be answered in about 25 to 30 words each. The candidates are required to attempt any 9 short answer type questions carrying 18 marks i.e. 2 marks of each. Rest of the paper shall contain 4 units. Each Unit shall have two essay type questions and the candidate shall be given internal choice of attempting one question from each Unit-IV in all. Each question will carry 18 marks.

1. For private candidates, who have not been assessed earlier for internal assessment, the marks secured by them in theory paper will proportionately be increased to maximum marks of the paper in lieu of internal assessment.

The paper-setter must put note (2) in the question paper.

2. One question from Unit-IV shall be set on the map.

Explanation:

1. Each essay type question would cover about one-third or one-half of a topic detailed in the syllabus.
2. The distribution of marks for the map question would be as under:

Map : 10 Marks

Explanatory Note : 08 Marks

In case a paper setter chooses to set a question of map on important historical places, the paper setter will be required to ask the students to mark 5 places on map of 2 marks each and write explanatory note on any four of 2 marks each.

3. The paper-setter would avoid repetition between different types of question within one question paper.

Max. Marks : 100

Theory :9

Internal Assessment :10

Time: 3 Hour

Objectives : To introduce the students to the history of the Modern World in the period of European Domination.

Pedagogy : Lectures, library work and discussions.

Unit-I

1. New Imperialism 1871-1914: Main features; Partition of Africa – Causes, colonization and impact.
2. Congress of Berlin 1878: Circumstances, Provisions and Significance.
3. Diplomatic Developments in Europe: Circumstances leading to the formation of Triple Alliance of 1882 and Triple Entente.

Unit-II

4. World War I: Division of Europe into two blocks; Causes of the First World War.
5. Paris Peace Conference: Treaty of Versailles 1919; Provisions, major defects and their impact.
6. Russian Revolution 1917: Causes and consequences.

Unit-III

7. Nationalism and Communism in China: Causes for the nationalist revolution of 1911 and its results; circumstances leading to the revolution of 1949 and its results.
8. Modernization of Japan: Meiji restoration and modernization.
9. The Great Depression of 1929: Causes of the Great Depression in the USA; its spread to Germany, France and Britain; its impact; Roosevelt's New Deal.

Unit-IV

10. Fascism and Nazism and World War II: Circumstances responsible for rise of Fascism under Mussolini in Italy; Nazism in Germany under Adolf Hitler.
11. Post War Foundations and the Rise of Unipolar World: NATO, SEATO and Cold War; Factors leading to the collapse of Soviet Communism and Soviet Union, 1985-1991; End of Cold War and US Ascendancy in the World as Lone superpower.
12. Map:
 - (a) Important Historical Places - Geneva, Washington, Tokyo, Versailles, Constantinople, Peking, Beijing, Manchuria, Nanking, Frankfurt, Johannesburg, Cairo, Jerusalem, Nagasaki, Warsaw and Stalinguard.
 - (b) Europe on the eve of World War I.
 - (c) Europe on the eve of World War II.