

# SYLLABUS

## **General Instructions**

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 10 short questions spread over the whole syllabus to be answered in about 25 to 30 words each. The candidates are required to attempt any 5 short answer type questions carrying 5 marks i.e. 1 mark for each. Rest of the paper shall contain 4 Units. Each Unit shall have two essay type questions and the candidates shall be given internal choice of attempting one question from each Unit-IV in all. Each question will carry 10 marks. 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 : 06 marks

Explanatory Note : 04 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 6 places on map of 1 mark each and write explanatory note on any two of 2 marks each.

## **Unit-I**

1. Ancient Punjab : Physical Features; Impact on History
2. Historical Sources : Literary; Archaeological.
3. Harappan Culture : Extent and Town Planning.

## **Unit-II**

4. Harappan Culture : Social, Economic and Religious Life; Causes of Disappearance.
5. Rig Vedic Age : The rise of Indo-Aryans; Main Features of the Life in Early Vedic Age.
6. Later Vedic Age : Political, Social, Economic and Religious Life of Later Vedic Aryans.

## **Unit-III**

7. Caste System : Origin and Evolution.
8. The Epics : Historical Importance of Ramayan and Mahabharat.
9. Political Condition on the eve of Alexander's Invasion.

## **Unit-IV**

10. Impact of Alexander's invasion on Social and Cultural Life.
11. Position of Women : Harappan, Early Vedic and Later Vedic Age.
12. Important Historical Places of Punjab : Mohenjodaro, Harappa, Kotla Nihang Khan, Sanghol, Banawali, Taxila, Indraprastha, Hastinapur, Kurukshetra, Srinagar, Purusapura, Sakala.