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Minutes of Board of Studies Meeting Held On 24/05/2021

The meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of History was held online on 24th May, 2021 at 11: 00 A. M. The following members were present in this meeting:

1. Prof Kuldip Singh (Chairperson), Department of History, CUPB
2. Prof Renu Thakur, (External Expert) Professor, Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology, Panjab University, Chandigarh
3. Prof. Balwinder Kaur Bhatti, (External Expert) Professor, Department of Punjab Historical Studies, Punjabi University, Patiala
4. Dr. Vikas Rathee (Member), Assistant Professor, Department of History, CUPB
5. Dr. Ashwani Kumar (Member), Assistant Professor, Department of History, CUPB
6. Dr. Sudheer Singh Verma (Member), Assistant Professor, Department of SCAS, CUPB
7. Dr. Ajayvir Singh (Member), Assistant Director, Haryana Academy of History and Culture, Kurukshetra.

Prof. Satish Kapoor, (External Expert) Professor, Registrar (Retd.) DAV University, Jalandhar. He could not be present in the meeting due to some technical reasons but he had sent his inputs and suggestions through email.

Prof. P. K. Mishra, Dean, School of Social Sciences could not attend the meeting due to academic reasons.

Dr. Rajinder Kumar, (Member) Associate Professor, Department of Hindi, CUPB could not attend the meeting due to her prescheduled assignments.

Dr. Rajni Sahota (Member) could not attend the meeting due to her prescheduled assignments.

Dr. Aditya Ranjan Kapoor (Member) could not attend the meeting due to her prescheduled assignments.

Mr. Ashwani Kumar, Deputy Registrar, (Programme Development Section), CUPB could not attend the meeting due to her prescheduled assignments.

The agenda items of the meeting were as follows:

1. To discuss, finalize the course structure and contents of the syllabi of M.A. History according to NEP 2020 guidelines for the year 2021-2023 -84 Credits (Annexure1)
2. To discuss, finalize the syllabus of Ph. D. coursework -14 Credits (Annexure-II)

The committee discussed the above agenda items and made the following suggestions:

Suggestions for M. A. History Programme

| Sl. No. | Course Code | Suggestions |
|---------------------|--------------------|--|
| Semester-I | | |
| 1 | HIS 506 | Unit-1: The term Indus-Saraswati civilization (instead of Indus-civilization) to be included in view of latest research in the field. |
| 2 | HIS 507 | Unit-3: Indian Renaissance of 19th century to be included. |
| 4 | HIS 513 | Arthashastra of Kautilya/ Vidura niti/ Shukra niti; The Web of Indian Life (1904) by Sister Nivedita (Margaret E. Noble) to be added if possible. It was however, discussed that a separate paper could be introduced. |
| 8 | HIS 516 | The Title of the paper may be substituted Ethical Philosophies of India instead of the existing Title Ethics of War and Violence in Indian History & Culture |
| 6 | HIS 527 | The Lessons of History by Will Durant, or The Soul of India by Amaury Reincourt may be added. |
| 9 | HIS 529 | The Title of the paper may be substituted Global Ethics of Peace instead of the existing Title Global Ethics of War & Violence |
| 10 | HIS 555 | Thinkers like Swami Vivekananda, Sri Aurobindo, Jiddu Krishnamurti, Lala Hardayal, M.N. Roy, S. Radhakrishnan, etc. may be included in the course content. |
| Semester- II | | |
| 3 | HIS 510 | Unit-2: Early history and development of Yoga and Ayurveda to be included in the course content. |
| 5 | HIS 525 | Unit-4: Impact of Adi Shankaracharya's philosophy ; Hindu influence on Sufi thought; Vedantic leanings of Dara Shukoh; Ganapatya, Subrahmanya and Saura cults to be included in the course content. |
| 7 | HIS 528 | Contribution of India to World thought and culture to be included in the course content. |

Semester-III

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| 11 | HIS 571 | Unit-4: Ecological perspectives in Indian tradition to be included in the course content. |
| 12 | HIS 575 | Shad darshana, upa-veda, loka-samgraha, agnihotra, rita, yama, niyama, dvaita, vishishtadvaita, advaita, varkari, Raja yoga, Jnana yoga, Tantra, sarvodaya to be added as concepts and terms |

Suggestions for Ph.D Coursework Programme

| Sr. No | Courses | Suggestions |
|--------|---------|--|
| 1 | HIS 701 | Unit I of the proposed paper can be retained with some modifications. Unit II Methods of research: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed methods of research ; Research Ethics. Unit III Choosing a subject of research ; Collection of data ; types of data and Methods of note taking Unit IV Data analysis; Footnoting, bibliography and preparation of final draft of the thesis. |
| 2 | HIS 704 | Unit-1: Concepts of Dharma, Rita, Varna, sarva dharma sambhavato be added |
| 3 | HIS 705 | Vaishnavism, Shaivism and Shaktism |
| 4 | HIS 706 | British indologists of 18th and 19th centuries; India's impact on American Transcendentalists, German idealists, romanticists; and others |

- The suggestions/ recommendations given by the Board of Studies Members have been incorporated in the syllabus of M.A. History for the session of 2021-2023 (Annexures I).
- The suggestions/ recommendations given by the Board of Studies Members have been incorporated in the syllabus of Ph.D. Coursework for the session of 2021-2023 (Annexure II).

Further Recommendations:

- A course on Indian Iconography in addition to the already existing course, including other deities may be introduced as Discipline Elective Course.

- A course on South Indian History in addition to the already existing course, by diving the papers in temporal contexts may be introduced as Discipline Elective Course.
- A paper on Reading Indian Historical Texts comprising the texts of Ancient India may be introduced as Discipline Elective Course.

The Board of Studies recommends the enclosed syllabi of M.A. History and Ph.D. Coursework in History for further consideration in the School Board, School of Social Sciences.

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