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# HISTORY Q&A

COMPLETE SYLLABUS *through*  
CONCEPT CLASSES & ANSWER WRITING



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JUNE, 2023

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PROGRAMME  
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20,000  
(including GST)

- ✓ 40+ Classes for Concept Building
- ✓ 3 Level of Test for Gradual Improvement
  - 16 Topical Tests (10 Questions)
  - 4 Sectional Tests (20 Questions)
  - 4 Full Mock Tests (As per UPSC Pattern)
- ✓ 14 PYQs Discussion Sessions
- ✓ Test Discussion after each Topical Test
- ✓ Doubt Clearing Session after Copy Evaluation for Marks improvement.



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# PROGRAMME FEATURES

01

EXCLUSIVE PROGRAMME TO COVER COMPLETE SYLLABUS OF HISTORY OPTIONAL THROUGH CONCEPT BUILDING CLASSES, ANSWER WRITING PRACTICE SESSIONS & DISCUSSIONS AS PER THE UPSC PATTERN.

02

EVERY TOPIC IN THE SYLLABUS WILL BE COVERED THROUGH CLASSES, TOPIC-WISE TESTS AND NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE & COMPREHENSIVE DISCUSSIONS.

03

CLASSES WILL FOCUS ON CONCEPTUAL CLARITY APPLICATION OF DIFFERENT APPROACHES, AND DIFFERENT VIEW OF HISTORIAN MENTIONED IN THE SYLLABUS

04

TOPIC WISE PYQS DISCUSSIONS WILL BE PROVIDED AFTER COMPLETION OF A TOPIC

05

SECTIONAL TEST TO BE CONDUCTED AFTER COMPLETION OF A SECTION OF SYLLABUS AND MOCK TEST WILL BE CONDUCTED AFTER PRELIMS

06

SECTIONAL & MOCK TESTS WILL BE BASED ON UPSC PREVIOUS YEAR QUESTION PATTERN; EVALUATION WILL BE DONE BY EXPERTS AND FACULTY ONLY.

07

REGULAR ONE-ON-ONE DOUBT CLEARING SESSIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED FOR PERSONALIZED MENTORING & PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT.

## SESSION PLAN

SESSION	TOPIC	SUB TOPIC
<b>SESSION: 01</b> <b>10 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>Approach to History Optional (PAPER-1)</b>	
<b>SESSION: 02</b> <b>11 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>Approach to History Optional (PAPER-2)</b>	
<b>ANCIENT HISTORY</b>		
<b>SESSION: 03</b> <b>12 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>Sources of History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Archaeological sources: Exploration, excavation, epigraphy, numismatics, monuments</li> <li>◦ Literary sources: Indigenous: Primary and secondary; poetry, scientific literature, literature, literature in regional languages, religious literature.</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 04</b> <b>13 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>Indus Valley Civilization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Theories related Origin of IVC</li> <li>◦ Characteristics of IVC</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 05</b> <b>14 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>Indus Valley Civilization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Theories related to decline</li> <li>◦ Survival and Significance of IVC</li> <li>◦ Art and Architecture</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 06</b> <b>16 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 01</b>	
<b>SESSION: 07</b> <b>18 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 01</b>	
<b>SESSION: 08</b> <b>19 JUNE, 2023</b>	<b>Vedic Period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Expansions of Aryans in India</li> <li>◦ Vedic literature</li> </ul>

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SESSION: 09 20 JUNE, 2023	Vedic Period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evolution of Monarchy and Varna system</li> <li>Transformation from Rig Vedic period to the later Vedic period</li> <li>Significance of the Vedic Age</li> </ul>
SESSION: 10 21 JUNE, 2023	Period of Mahajanapadas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formation of States (Mahajanapada): Republics and monarchies</li> <li>Rise of urban centers; Trade routes; Economic growth; Introduction of coinage</li> </ul>
SESSION: 11 23 JUNE, 2023	PYQ Discussion: 02	
SESSION: 12 25 JUNE, 2023	Topical Test: 02	
SESSION: 13 26 JUNE, 2023	Period of Mahajanapadas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spread of Jainism and Buddhism</li> <li>Iranian and Macedonian invasions and their impact</li> </ul>
SESSION: 14 27 JUNE, 2023	Mauryan Empire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Foundation of the Mauryan Empire</li> <li>Mauryan period Literature</li> <li>Ashoka; Concept of Dharma; Edicts</li> <li>Religion; Spread of religion</li> </ul>
SESSION: 15 28 JUNE, 2023	Mauryan Empire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Polity, Administration; Economy</li> <li>Art, architecture, and sculpture</li> <li>External contacts</li> <li>Theories related disintegration of the empire</li> </ul>
SESSION: 16 30 JUNE, 2023	PYQ Discussion: 03	
SESSION: 17 02 JULY, 2023	Topical Test: 03	

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<b>SESSION: 18</b> <b>03 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Post - Mauryan Period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Growth of urban centers, economy, coinage</li> <li>◦ Development of religions, Mahayana</li> <li>◦ Social conditions</li> <li>◦ Development of Art, architecture, culture, literature, and science</li> <li>◦ Early State and Society in Eastern India, Deccan, and South India</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 19</b> <b>04 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Gupta Period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Polity and administration</li> <li>◦ Economic conditions, Coinage of the Guptas, Land grants, Decline of urban centers</li> <li>◦ Indian feudalism</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 20</b> <b>05 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Gupta Period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Caste system and Position of women</li> <li>◦ Literature, scientific literature, art, and architecture</li> <li>◦ Bhakti movement</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 21</b> <b>07 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 04</b>	
<b>SESSION: 22</b> <b>09 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 04</b>	
<b>16 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Sectional Test: 1 (Ancient History)</b>	
<b>MEDIEVAL HISTORY</b>		
<b>SESSION: 23</b> <b>17 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Early Medieval India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Themes in Early Indian Cultural History</li> <li>◦ origin and the rise of Rajputs</li> <li>◦ The Cholas: administration, village economy and society</li> <li>◦ Debate on "Indian Feudalism"</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 24</b> <b>18 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Thirteenth Century</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Establishment of the Delhi Sultanate</li> <li>◦ The Ghurian invasions – factors behind Ghurian success</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Economic, social and cultural consequences</li> <li>◦ Consolidation: The rule of Iltutmish and Balban</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 25</b> <b>23 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 05</b>	
<b>SESSION: 26</b> <b>24 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Fourteenth Century</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ The Khalji Revolution”</li> <li>◦ Alauddin Khalji: Conquests and territorial expansion, agrarian and economic measures</li> <li>◦ Muhammad Tughluq: Major projects, agrarian measures, the bureaucracy of Muhammad Tughluq</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 27</b> <b>25 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Fourteenth Century</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Firuz Tughluq: Agrarian measures, achievements in civil engineering and public works,</li> <li>◦ theories related decline of the Sultanate</li> <li>◦ Society, Culture, and Economy in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Centuries</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 28</b> <b>28 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 05</b>	
<b>SESSION: 29</b> <b>30 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 06</b>	
<b>SESSION: 30</b> <b>31 JULY, 2023</b>	<b>Fifteenth and Sixteenth Century</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Political Developments and Economy</li> <li>◦ The Vijayanagara Empire</li> <li>◦ Mughal Empire, First phase: Babur and Humayun</li> <li>◦ The Sur Empire: Sher Shah’s administration</li> <li>◦ Bhakti and Sufi Movements</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 31</b> <b>01 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Fifteenth and Sixteenth Century</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Conquests and consolidation of the Empire by Akbar</li> <li>◦ Establishment of Jagir and Mansab systems</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Akbar's Rajput policy</li> <li>◦ Evolution of religious and social outlook</li> <li>◦ Court patronage of art and technology</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 32</b> <b>06 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 07</b>	
<b>SESSION: 33</b> <b>07 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Seventeenth Century</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Major administrative policies of Jahangir, Shahjahan, and Aurangzeb</li> <li>◦ Religious policies of Jahangir, Shahjahan, and Aurangzeb</li> <li>◦ Nature of the Mughal State</li> <li>◦ Late Seventeenth century crisis and the revolts</li> <li>◦ Ahom Kingdom; Shivaji and the early Maratha Kingdom</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 34</b> <b>08 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Eighteenth Century</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Factors for the decline of the Mughal Empire</li> <li>◦ Regional principalities: Nizam's Deccan, Bengal, Awadh</li> <li>◦ Maratha ascendancy under the Peshwas: Battle of Panipat: 1761</li> <li>◦ Maratha fiscal and financial system</li> <li>◦ Emergence of Afghan Power</li> <li>◦ State of politics, culture, and economy on the eve of the British conquest</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 35</b> <b>11 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 06</b>	
<b>SESSION: 36</b> <b>13 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 08</b>	
<b>20 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Sectional Test: 2 (Medieval History)</b>	
<b>MODERN HISTORY</b>		
<b>SESSION: 37</b> <b>21 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>European Penetration into India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ English and French East India Companies; Their struggle for supremacy; Carnatic Wars;</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Bengal: Battle of Plassey &amp; Buxar; Significance of Plassey &amp; Buxar</li> <li>◦ British Expansion in India</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 38</b> <b>22 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Economic Impact of British Colonial Rule</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Land revenue settlements in British India</li> <li>◦ Decline of traditional &amp; De-industrialisation Debate</li> <li>◦ Drain of wealth</li> <li>◦ Economic transformation of India</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 39</b> <b>23 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Social &amp; Religious Reform Movements in Bengal and Other Areas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ social reform movements in India</li> <li>◦ contribution of Indian renaissance to the growth of modern India</li> <li>◦ Reformist &amp; Revivalist</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 40</b> <b>25 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 07</b>	
<b>SESSION: 41</b> <b>27 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 09</b>	
<b>SESSION: 42</b> <b>28 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Indian Response to British Rule</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Peasant movements and tribal uprisings in the 18th and 19th centuries</li> <li>◦ Great Revolt of 1857 - Origin, character, causes of failure, the consequences</li> <li>◦ peasant movements of the 1920s and 1930s</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 43</b> <b>29 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Indian Nationalism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Factors leading to the birth of Indian Nationalism</li> <li>◦ Thesis relating to the birth of the INC</li> <li>◦ social composition of early Congress leadership</li> <li>◦ Ideology of Moderates and Extremists</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 44</b> <b>30 AUGUST, 2023</b>	<b>Indian Nationalism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Partition of Bengal (1905)</li> <li>◦ Swadeshi Movement in Bengal</li> <li>◦ beginning of revolutionary extremism in India</li> </ul>



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<b>SESSION: 45</b> <b>01 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 08</b>	
<b>SESSION: 46</b> <b>03 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 10</b>	
<b>SESSION: 47</b> <b>04 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>Gandhian Phase</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ character of Gandhian nationalism</li> <li>◦ Rowlatt Satyagraha</li> <li>◦ Non-cooperation Movement</li> <li>◦ Civil Disobedience movement</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 48</b> <b>05 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>Gandhian Phase</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Simon Commission and Nehru Report</li> <li>◦ Nationalism and the Peasant Movements</li> <li>◦ Nationalism and Working-class movements</li> <li>◦ election of 1937 and the formation of ministries</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 49</b> <b>06 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>Other strands in the National Movement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Rise of Socialism</li> <li>◦ 2nd &amp; 3rd phase Revolutionaries Movement</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 50</b> <b>08 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 09</b>	
<b>SESSION: 51</b> <b>10 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 11</b>	
<b>SESSION: 52</b> <b>11 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>Constitutional Developments in Colonial India between 1858 and 1935</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Constitutional Developments in Colonial India between 1858 and 1935</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 53</b> <b>12 SEPTEMBER, 2023</b>	<b>Transfer of Power</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ August offer 1940</li> <li>◦ Cripps Mission 1942</li> <li>◦ Quit India Movement</li> </ul>

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SESSION: 54 13 SEPTEMBER, 2023	Transfer of Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Wavell Plan 1945</li> <li>◦ Cabinet Mission</li> </ul>
SESSION: 55 15 SEPTEMBER, 2023	PYQ Discussion: 10	
SESSION: 56 17 SEPTEMBER, 2023	Topical Test: 12	
24 SEPTEMBER, 2023	Sectional Test: 3 ( Modern History)	
<b>WORLD HISTORY</b>		
SESSION: 57 25 SEPTEMBER, 2023	Enlightenment and Modern ideas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Major ideas of Enlightenment: Kant, Rousseau</li> <li>◦ Spread of Enlightenment in the colonies</li> <li>◦ Rise of socialist ideas &amp; spread of Marxian Socialism</li> </ul>
SESSION: 58 26 SEPTEMBER, 2023	Origins of Modern Politics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ European States System</li> <li>◦ American Revolution and Constitution</li> <li>◦ French revolution and aftermath</li> <li>◦ American Civil War</li> <li>◦ British Democratic Politics, 1815- 1850</li> </ul>
SESSION: 59 29 SEPTEMBER, 2023	PYQ Discussion: 11	
SESSION: 60 01 OCTOBER, 2023	Topical Test: 13	
SESSION: 61 02 OCTOBER, 2023	Industrialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Britain Industrial Revolution</li> <li>◦ Causes and Impact on Society</li> <li>◦ Industrialization in other countries</li> </ul>

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<b>SESSION: 62</b> <b>03 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>Nation-State System</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Rise of Nationalism in 19th century &amp; Disintegration of Empires</li> <li>◦ Unification of Germany and Italy</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 63</b> <b>06 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 12</b>	
<b>SESSION: 64</b> <b>08 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 14</b>	
<b>SESSION: 65</b> <b>09 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>Revolution and Counter-Revolution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 19th Century European revolutions</li> <li>◦ Russian Revolution of 1917- 1921</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 66</b> <b>10 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>Revolution and Counter-Revolution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Fascism &amp; Nazism</li> <li>◦ Chinese Revolution of 1949</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 67</b> <b>13 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 13</b>	
<b>SESSION: 68</b> <b>15 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 15</b>	
<b>SESSION: 69</b> <b>16 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>World Wars</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 1st and 2nd World Wars as Total Wars</li> <li>◦ World War I: Causes and consequences</li> <li>◦ World War II: Causes and consequences</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 70</b> <b>17 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>World after World War II</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Emergence of two power blocs: Cold War</li> <li>◦ Emergence of Third World and non-alignment</li> <li>◦ UNO and the global disputes</li> <li>◦ disintegration of the Soviet Union</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION: 71</b> <b>20 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>PYQ Discussion: 14</b>	

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<b>SESSION: 72</b> <b>22 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>Topical Test: 16</b>	
<b>29 OCTOBER, 2023</b>	<b>Sectional Test: 4 (World History)</b>	
<b>AFTER PRELIMS</b>		
MOCK - 1	<b>PAPER - 1</b>	
MOCK - 2	<b>PAPER - 2</b>	
MOCK - 3	<b>PAPER - 1</b>	
MOCK - 4	<b>PAPER - 2</b>	

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