



Bihar HG Syllabus HISTORY



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Unit-I : Pre-history, Proto-history and History.

- Meaning, scope and relevance, Importance of chronology, sources, periodisation.
- **Prehistoric cultures –**
- Sites
- Tools and equipments

Unit-II : The Pre-historic world.

- Origin of human being and stages of prehistoric evolution.
- **Harappan Civilization**
- Urban traits
- Material Life
- Socio religious life

Unit-III : Ancient Civilizations.

- Mesopotamia, Rome, China, Greece.
- Emphasis on efforts to regulate the order (law codes), science, technology and philosophy.
- Empire building endeavours
- Slavery and position of women.
- **Early Indian Religions**
- Vedic
- Buddhism – Buddhist sites of Bihar
- Jainism
- Vaishnavism
- Shaivism

Unit-IV : The Medieval Order.

- Feudalism, States and Church.
- The Arabian Experience.
- Constructive aspects of feudalism.
- Inner contradictions and decay of feudalism.
- **Political And economic History of the Mauryan**
- Rise of Magadh
- Growth of Patliputra
- Mauryan stone pillars

Unit-V : Vehicles of modernization.

- Ideas institutions and events.
- Geographical discoveries.
- Renaissance
- Reformation
- Inventions in science and technology
- **Culture and economy from Post Mauryan to Gupta Period**
- Foreign influx
- Language and Literature
- Trade and Industries



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Unit-VI : Modernisation affirmed.

- The British experience
- (a) Revolution of 1688.
- (b) Industrial Revolution.
- The American war of Independence.
- The French Revolution
- **Economy Society and culture during early medieval period**
- Varna and caste system
- Evolution of regional cultural identities
- Agrarian relations.

Unit-VII : Spread of Modernisation.

- (i) Europe – Greece, Italy, Germany, Turkey.
- (ii) Asia – China, Japan, Iran, India.
- **Political Changes under sultanate**
- A brief survey of the ruling dynasties and important rulers thereof.

Unit-VIII : Ills of Modernity.

- Colonialism and neo-colonialism in Africa, Asia and western world.
- The First World War.
- **Indo-Islamic culture (1500-1700)**
- Language and Literature
- Art and Architecture
- Dress and life style

Unit-IX : Three Ideologies and their mutual conflicts.

- Capitalism
- Socialism / communism
- Fascism / Nazism
- The second world war.
- **Urban economy in Medieval age**
- Crafts
- Trade
- Urban centres (emphasis on towns of Bihar)

Unit-X : Sanity Vs Motivated politics.

- League of Nations
- UNO
- Non-aligned movement
- Cold War
- Decolonisation
- **Bhakti and Sufi Movements –**
- Leading saints and their sayings
- Characteristic features
- Contributions to Indian culture



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Unit-XI : Further changes / post-modernisation

- The Chinese Experience
- Breakup of the USSR
- Globalisation

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- **The rule of the East India Company**
 - Revenue settlements
 - Economic Impact
 - Policies of expansion

Unit-XII : The revolt of 1857

- Causes
- Nature
- Effects and Role of Kunwar Singh in Bihar

Unit-XIII : The Indian awakening in 19th century

- Important personalities and organization
- Points of self introspection
- Dimensions of international consciousness development

Unit-XIV : The Nationalist movements (1918 – 1947)

- Non-cooperation movement
- Civil disobedience movement
- Quit India Movement
- The naval Mutiny
- **NB-** Activites in Bihar must be mentioned.

Unit-XV : Partition and Independence

- Muslim League and the Two nation theory
- Wavel Plan
- Mountbatten Plan
- India Independence Act
- Pangs of Partition

Unit-XVI: Visions of the new state

- Making of the constitution
- Recorganisation of States
- Five year Plans & missed economy
- Non-alignment