

SYLLABUS FOR CLUSTER UNIVERSITY SRINAGAR  
HISTORY HONOURS & INTEGRATED SESSION 2018 ONWARDS

GENERIC ELECTIVES  
(PAPER IV)

HISTORY OF CONTEMPORARY INDIA

Unit I

- a) Contemporary India; Meaning and Introduction
- b) Towards Independence; Major Developments
- c) Partition and Its Aftermath: The issues of Refugees and Rehabilitation

Unit II

- a) Integration of Princely States with special reference to Hyderabad and J&K
- b) Drafting of Constitution.

Unit III

- a) Electoral Politics
- b) Questions of Caste and Religion
- c) India and the world; the Non Alignment movement

Unit IV

- a) Planned Economy
- b) Land Question
- c) The Women's Question
- d) Literature, Media and Arts.

Suggested Readings:

- Bipan Chandra, et al, *India after Independence*, New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1999
- Paul Brass, *The Politics of India Since Independence*: Cambridge University Press, 1994.
- Rudolph and Rudolph, *In Pursuit of Laxmi*.
- Granville Austin, *Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation*, New Edition, OUP, 2011
- Francine Frankel, *India's Political Economy, 1947-2004*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2006.
- Ramchandra Guha, *India after Gandhi: The History of the World's Largest Democracy*, New Delhi: Picador, 2007
- Arjun Appadurai, *Domestic Roots of India's Foreign Policy 1947-1972*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1979.
- Rajni Kothari, *Politics in India*, New Delhi: Orient Longman, 1970.
- Joya Chatterji, *The Spoils of Partition: Bengal and India, 1947-67*: Cambridge University Press, 2007.
- Sunil Khilnani, *The Idea of India*, Penguin Books, New Delhi, 2004

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