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Certificate Course on Indian Chronology (CCIC)



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Introduction of the Course:

The ancient, cultural and historical traditions of India have been very rich and glorious. In the history of ancient India, many eras like Vedic-civilization, epic period, Indus and Saraswati civilization, Mohenjo Daro, Harappa civilization, Jain tradition, Buddha tradition, Maurya Empire, Gupta Empire and Harsha are included. All these civilizations, traditions and dynasties had their own uniqueness. Historical consciousness existed in Indians since ancient times. The history of India is believed to be several thousand years old. But how many thousand years old? From the Vedic period to the Ramayana, the Mahabharata period and the early medieval period, the history of India has been very grand. But when we talk about the chronology of our glorious India, many contradictions are found in it. Taking advantage of this, western historians have limited the history of India to a thousand years before Buddha. They believe our Vedic period, Ramayana and Mahabharata are Mythology (fictional). Today, for this reason, twisted historical chronology is taught in the universities and schools of our country. It is our biggest challenge today to give a proper form to the chronology of Indian history with a scientific basis. By presenting it as the correct chronology, we can bring back the glory to the wonderful history of India.

This course is designed to enhance the understanding of India's chronology in a scientific manner. This 6-month certificate course provides a comprehensive understanding of Indian chronology and events of Indian history. It will introduce you to various ancient Indian chronicles - Manu to Mahabharata period, medieval history, regional and global history. This course helps to understand and analyze ancient Indian chronology in a rational way.

Eligibility Criteria: 12th pass or equivalent

Duration: 6 Months/ 40 Hrs

Evaluation Pattern: Continuous Evaluation during the semester & end term project

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Course Outline

SEMESTER I

Credit -2

Paper	Name of the Paper
CCIC 201	Ancient Indian Eras
CCIC 202	Magadha Empire, Buddhism and Jainism
CCIC 203	Uttarapatha and Dakshinapatha Kingdoms
CCIC 204	Regional History
CCIC 205	World History



CCIC 201: Ancient Indian Eras

Unit No.	Description	Hours
1.	Saka Era and Sakanta Era	8 Hrs
2.	The Epoch of Buddha Nirvana	
3.	Mahavira Nirvana and Vikrama Era	
4.	Gupta Era and Valabhi Era	
5.	Sri Harsha Era and Kalachuri-Chedi Era	
6.	Other Indian Eras	

Recommended Reading Texts/Articles:

CCIC 202: Magadha Empire, Buddhism and Jainism

Unit No.	Description	Hours
1.	Chronology of Magadha Empire	8 Hrs
2.	Indo-Greeks, Yavana Era and Azes Era	
3.	History of Buddhism	
4.	History of Jainism	
5.	Date of Adi Sankaracharya	



Recommended Reading Texts/Articles:

CCIC 203: Uttarapatha and Dakshinapatha Kingdoms

Unit No.	Description	Hours
1	Uttarakatha Kingdoms	8 Hrs
2.	Dakshinapatha Kingdoms	
3.	Chronology of Muslim Rulers in India	
4.	Vijayanagara Empire	

Recommended Reading Texts/Articles:

CCIC 204: Regional History

Unit No.	Description	Hours
1	History of Jammu and Kashmir	8 Hrs
2.	Chronology of Tamilnadu	
3.	Chronology of Kalinga	
4.	Chronology of Sri Lanka, Burma and Tibet	

Recommended Reading Texts/Articles:



CCIC 205: World History

Unit No.	Description	Hours
1	The Epoch of Christian Era	8 Hrs
2.	Chronology of Persia	
3.	Chronology of Egypt	
4.	Chronology of Sumer, Babylon, Assyria	
5.	Chronology of Greece and Roman Empire	
6.	Chronology of China Methods to study reference material	

Recommended Reading Texts/Articles: