

BA Islamic History

2005 Admission

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BA DEGREE IN ISLAMIC HISTORY

Scheme of Examination with effect from 2005 Admissions

Paper No	Name of Paper	Duration of Examination	Marks Maximum
Paper I	Emergence of Islamic Culture	3 Hrs	100
Paper II	Umayyads and Abbasids	3 Hrs	100
Paper III	Succession States and Islam in Europe	3 Hrs	100
Paper IV	Islam in Medieval India	3 Hrs	100
Paper V	Indian Muslims in Freedom Movement	3 Hrs	100
Paper VI	Islam in the Modern world	3 Hrs	100

Paper I

Emergence of Islamic Culture

Module I: Pre-prophetic Arabia

Geographical features of Jazirah al Arab – Social and Religious conditions of Asr al Jahiliyyah – the position of women – Ayyamul Arab – Sab'al Muallaqat.

Module II: Pre-prophetic Arabian History

Arabians as Semites - History of the Arabian Prophets – South Arabian and North Arabian kingdoms – Economic and Political conditions – Makkah and its Holy Sanctuary – Ibrahim, Hajarah, Ismail and the Quraysh

Module III: Muhammad in Makkah

Early life – Muhammad as Al-Amin – Muhammad as family man – the Revelation of Qur'an – Muhammad as the Last Prophet of Allah – the Meetings of Aqaba – the Hijra.

Module IV: Muhammad in Madinah

The Prophet at Madinah – Covenant of Madinah as the First Citizen's chart - Ansars and Muhajirs – Campaigns of Badr, Uhud, Khandaq and Khaybar – Treaty of Hdaybiyyah – Fath Makkah – Hajjatul Wida' – Last Sermon, the First Human Rights Declaration – Transformation brought about by Islam.

Module V: Basics of Islam

Fundamentals of Islam	:	Tawhid, Risalah and Akhirah
Five pillars of Islam	:	Shahadah, Salat, Zakat, Sawm and Hajj
Articles of faith	:	In Allah, Angels, Books, Prophets, Day of Judgement and Qadr.

Basic Islamic Terms of Contemporary Relevance : Hijrah, Jihad, Ijtihad, Shariah, Da'wah, Riba, Nikah and Talaq

Module VI Life in Islam

Institutions of Islam : the family, Masjid, Madrasah, Waqf, Ukhuwwah and Harah.

Social and Economic Teachings of Islam – Human and Women's Right in Islam
– Environment and its importance in Islam – Islamic teachings against Female Infanticide – Health and Hygiene in Islam.

Module VII: Abubakr and Umar : The Pious Caliphs

Abubakr – Riddah Wars – Khalid's victorious March – Umar – Qadisiyyah war
– the capture of Jerusalem and Egypt – Administration of Umar

Module VIII : Uthman and Ali

Uthman – His policies and measures – his family connections – Compilation of Qur'an – Popular uprisings – Ali – shifting of the capital – Jamal war – conflict between Ali and Mu'awiyah – Siffin war – Characteristic features of Khilafat

Map Study

1. Geographical features of Arabia
2. South Arabian and North Arabian Kingdoms
3. Arabia at the time of Prophet Muhammad
4. Caliphate under Umar

Books Recommended

Haykal, M.H	–	Life of Muhammad
Ameer Ali	–	1. Spirit of Islam 2. A short History of Saracens
Athar Husain	–	1. Prophet Muhammad and his Mission 2. The Glorious Caliphate
Ahmed, A.S	–	1. Discovering Islam 2. Living Islam
Hitti, P.K.	–	History of the Arabs

Paper II

Umayyads and Abbasids

Module I: Establishment of the Umayyah Dynasty

Mu'awiyah and consolidation of the empire – Transformation from Khilafat to Mulukiyat – Yazid I and battle of Karbala – Rival Khilafat of Abdullah Ibn Zubayr

Module II Abdul Malik and Walid I

Expansion of the empire during Abdul Malik – Administrative changes and Arabicisation – Khariji insurrections during Walid I – Expansion of the empire into Central Asia, Sind and Spain.

Module III Reforms in the Dynasty

Umar Ibn Abdul Aziz – his character and policy – Administrative reforms – Marwan II and decline of the empire

Module IV Some aspects of Umayyah rule

Social life and Intellectual development – The Mawalis and Dhimmis – Development of Education, Science and Architecture

Module V Establishment of Abbasiyah Dynasty

The famous banquet and Abul Abbas al Saffah – Abu Ja'far al Mansur: the real founder of Abbasiyah Dynasty – The city of Baghdad as the hub of universe.

Module VI The splendour that was Baghdad

Al – Mahdi – Rise and fall of Barmakids – splendour of Harun al Rashid's reign – Al – Amin and Al – Ma'mun – Baitul Hikmah – Ma'mun's heterodox views – the Mu'tazila.

Module VII Life under Abbasids

Persianisation of Abbasiyah court – Elegance and luxury – Status of women – Slavery – Social, Economic and Intellectual Life – Age of Translation – Indian, Persian and Greek influence.

Module VIII Scientific and Literary Progress

Development in Medicine – Astronomy – Mathematics – Historiography – *Sihah al Sittah* – Fiqh – Four Schools of Thought – development of Education – Literature.

Map Study

1. Umayyah empire at its height
2. Abbasiyah empire under Harun al Rashid
3. The Abbasiyah empire in 1258

Books Recommended

Hitti, P.K.	-	Histoty of tle Arabs
Ameer Ali	-	1. Short Histoty of the Saracens 2. Spirit of Islam
Khuda Bakhsh	-	Arab Civilization
P.M Holt & others	-	The Cambridge History of Islam
S.F. Mahmud	-	A Short History of Islam

Paper III

Succession States and Islam in Europe

Module I: Umayyah Rule in Spain

Spain on the eve of Arab conquest - Tariq Ibn Ziyad and Musa Ibn Nusayr - Abd al Rahman I - Abd al Rahman III - Al Hakam II - Banu Nasr of Granada - Murabits - Muwahhids - Socio - Economic conditions - causes for the fall of Muslims in Spain.

Module II Contribution of Muslim Spain to Europe

Health and Hygiene - Literature and Education - Arts and Architecture - Botany and Medicine - Astronomy and Mathematics - Philosophy - Music

Module III Islam in Sicily

Conquest of Sicily by Aghlabis - The Fatimis in Sicily - Efflorescence of Arab - Norman Culture

Module IV The Ottoman Turks

Origin and growth of Ottoman power - Age of Ghazis - Muhammad II and conquest of Constantinople - Salim I and assumption of Caliphate - Sulayman the Magnificent.

Module V Decline of the Ottoman Empire

Political and Military factors - Social and Economic factors - Administration : Sublime Porte, Yenecheri, Millat System.

Module VI Fatimids of Egypt

Ismailism - Al Aziz and Al-Muizz - Al Hakim - Al Azhar - Scientific and Literary progress under Fatimids

Module VII The Petty dynasties

The Saljuqs - Mamluks - Buwayhids - Safawids - Safarids - Ghaznawids - Ayyubids -

Module VIII The Crusades

The causes – the Zangis – Salah al Din Ayyubi – The Battle of Hittin – Siege of Akka – Results of the Crusades.

Map Study

1. The Eastern Sultanate in the 10th and 11th centuries
2. The Ottoman empire under Salim I
3. Egypt and Ifrikiya under the Fatimis
4. Spain under Abd al Rahman III

Books Recommended

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| Hitti, P.K. | – | History of the Arabs |
| Shaw, Stanford J. | – | History of Ottoman Empire and modern Turkey
(Vol. I) |
| Lane Poole, Stanley | – | Moors in Spain |
| Glubb, John Begot | – | 1. Empire of Arabs
2. Course of the Empire |
| Aziz Ahmed | – | History of Islamic Society |
| Rafi Ahmed Fidai | – | Concise History of Muslim World (Vol. 3) |
| Fisher, S.N. | – | The Middle East – A History |
| Price, Philip M | – | History of Turkey |
| Ameer Ali | – | 1. Spirit of Islam
2. A short History of Saracens |
| Spuler, Bertold | – | The Muslim World (Part II and III) |

Paper IV

Islam in Medieval India

Module I Advent of Islam in India

Indo – Arab links through Trade – Survey of Socio – Political and Religious conditions of India – Muhammad Ibn Qasim – The Ghaznavis and Ghuris

Module II The Delhi Sultanate

Balban – Alauddin Khilji – Muhammad Ibn Tughluq and Firuz Shah Tughluq – causes for decline.

Module III Some Aspects of Sultanates

Administration and society – Bhakti movement and Sufi orders – Education and Historiography – Amir Khusrau and Ziauddin Barani

Module IV The Mughal Empire

Babar – Shersha Sur – Akbar – Shah Jahan – Aurangzib – The down fall

Module V Petty dynasties

Bahmini Kingdom and Mahmud Ghawan – Hyderabad : Nizamul Mulk and Nizam Ali – Bengal : Siraj al Dawlah and Mir Qasim – Oudh : Sadat Khan and Shuja al Dawlah

Module VI Administration and Society

Mansabdari System – Cultural Symbiosis between Hinduism and Islam – Indo Saracenic Architecture

Module VII Cultural Development

Education – Historiography : Babar, Abdul Fazal and Khafikhan - Calligraphy, Miniature Painting, Literature

Module VIII Islam in Kerala

Origin and spread – Mappilas of Malabar – Mappilas against Portuguese imperialism – Zamorins and Kunjali Marakkars – Ali Rajas of Kannur – Socio – cultural change among Mappilas.

Map Study

1. North India on the eve of the Turkish Invasion
2. The Delhi Sultanate under Alauddin Khilji
3. The extent of Delhi Sultanate under Muhammad Ibn Tughluq
4. Mughal empire under Akbar
5. Mughal empire at its zenith

Books Recommended

Jaffar, S.M.	–	Medieval India under Muslim Rule
Banarji, A.C	–	A new History of Medieval India
Ishwari Prasad	–	History of Medieval India
Satish Candra	–	Medieval India from Sultanate to the Mughals
Ashraf, K.M	–	Life and Conditions of the People of Hindustan
Tarachand	–	Freedom Movement
Ibrahim Kunju, A.P	–	Mappila Muslims of Kerala
Miller, R.E	–	Mappila Muslims of Kerala
Muhammad Ali, K.T	–	The Development of Education among the Mappilas of Malabar
Shah, S.M	–	Islam in Kerala
Seyd Muhammad, P.A	–	Kerala Muslim Charithram (Mal)
Muhammad Kunji, P.K	–	Muslimkalum Kerala Samskaravum (Mal)
Bahavuddin, K.M.	–	Kerala Muslimkal Porattathinte Charithram (Mal)

Paper V

Indian Muslims in Freedom Movement

Module I: The Early Phase

Muslim Opposition to British Ascendancy – War of Plassey, 1757- Banaras conspiracy- the Fara'idi Movement – the Wahhabi Movement of Sayyid Ahmad Barelawi- The Revolt of 1857.

Module II Aligarh Movement

Sir. Sayyid Ahmed Khan – His educational contributions- Political ideas - Social and Religious views – Reconciliation of British – Muslim Relations.

Module III Political Involvement

All India Muslim League – Aims and objectives – Demand for Separate Electorate – Partition of Bengal – Hindu – Muslim Unity – Lucknow Pact – Khilafat – Non co-operation Movements – Ali Brothers – Allama Muhammad Iqbal – Muhammad Ali Jinnah – Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan.

Module IV Roots of Separatism

Nehru Report and fourteen points of Jinnah – Presidential Address of Iqbal – Pakistan Project of Chaudhari Rahmat Ali – Provincial elections of 1936 – Congress – League rivalry – Deoband Ulamas and Two Nations Theory – Mawlana Mahmud Hasan and Mawlana Abul Kalam Azad.

Module V Towards Freedom

Lahore session of League and Demand for Pakistan – Hindu Mahasabha and Rashtriya Swayam Sevak Sangh – Cripps Mission – Quit India Movement – Cabinet Mission plan – Direct Action – Mount Batten Plan – Partition of India – Analysis of causes

Module VI Role of Kerala Muslims

Mappila peasants against British imperialism – The Great revolt of 1921: Nature, causes, course and effects – Nationalist Muslims under Muhammad Abdul Rahman – E. Moidu Mawlawi – Vakkom Khader – Role of Muslim League in post independent politics.

Module VII Haydar Ali and Tipu Sultan

Against British imperialism – The Mysore Wars – Anti British Alliances of Tipu Sultan – Tipu's Martyrdom.

Module VIII Reformist Trends in Kerala

The Islahi movement – Vakkom Mawlawi – The Kerala Muslim Aikya Sangham – Madrasah movement.

Map Study

1. Major centres of 1857 Revolt
2. Revolt of 1921 : Important Places
3. Chaudhari Rahmat Ali's map of Pakistan
4. The state of Mysore under Tipu Sultan

Books Recommended

Ram Gopal	-	Indian Muslims : A Political History
Col. Graham	-	Life and Works of Sir Sayyid Ahmad
Aziz, K.K	-	Britain and Muslim India
Mujeeb, M	-	Indian Muslims
Shakir, Moin	-	Khilafat to partition
Chopra, P.N.	-	Indian Muslims in freedom struggle
Ibrahim Kunju, A.P	-	Mappila Muslims of Kerala
Gangadharan, M	-	Mappila Rebellion
Abdul Samad, M	-	Islam in Kerala
Azad, Abul Kalam	-	India Wins Freedom
Rajendra Prasad, Dr	-	India Divided

Paper VI

Islam in the Modern World

Module I Turkey : The Era of Reforms

The Tanzimat – Constitutional Movement under Abdul Hamid II – the Young Turk Revolution and counter revolution

Module II Turkey and First World War

Causes for joining central powers – Treaty of Sevres and Lausanne – Mustafa Kemal and Turkish Republic – Kemalism – Post Kemalist Turkey.

Module III Turkish Nationalism

Pan Islamism – Pan Turkism – Balkan wars – Zia Gokalp and Jamaluddin Afghani

Module IV Egypt

Napoleon's invasion of Egypt – Muhammad Ali and Khedive Ismail – Construction of Suez Canal – British occupation of Egypt – Egyptian nationalism – Arabi Pasha's revolt – Sa'd Zaghlul – Military coup of 1952 and formation of Republic – Nationalism of Suez Canal – Egypt – Israel war – Camp David Accord.

Module V Palestine

Zionism – First World War and Balfour declaration – Palestine under mandate – British policy in Palestine – Establishment of Israel – Arab – Israeli conflict.

Module VI Iran

Establishment Pahlavi dynasty – Muhammad Riza Shah Pahlavi – Dr. Muhammad Musaddiq – Islamic Revolution under Ayatullah Qumayni – Post Revolutionary Iran – Relations with Iraq.

Module VII The Arab World

Arab World after World War I – Fertile Crescent under Mandate – Formation of Syria and Lebanon – Emergence of Saudi Arabia – Independence of Iraq and Trans Jordan.

Module VIII Arab Nationalism

Abdul Rahman al Kawakibi – Arab Revolt – Arab League -- PLO – Hamas

Map Study

1. Turkey under Abdul Hamid II
2. Fertile Crescent under Mandate System
3. Israel between 1948 and 1973

Books Recommended

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| Peretz, Don | – | The Middle East Today |
| Kirk, G.E | – | A short History of the Middle East |
| Fisher, S.N | – | The Middle East A History |
| Shaw, Stanford J | – | History of Ottoman Empire and Modern Turkey
(Vol. 2) |
| Holt , P.M | – | Cambridge History of Islam |
| Lewis, Bernard | – | Emergence of Turkey |
| Smith, W.C | – | Islam in Modern History |
| Haledah Edib Hanam | – | Conflict of East and West Turkey |
| Davison, Roderik. H. | – | Modern Turkey |
| Roy, Atul Chandra | – | International Relations since 1919 |