

**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY**  
**Syllabus for Four Year B.A. Honours Course**  
**SUBJECT: ISLAMIC HISTORY AND CULTURE**  
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**SECOND YEAR**

<b>Paper Code</b>	<b>Paper Title</b>	<b>Marks</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>221601</b>	History of the Muslims in India (upto 1526)	100	4
<b>221603</b>	History of the Muslims in India (1526-1858)	100	
<b>221605</b>	History of Ancient Bengal (upto 1204)	100	4
<b>221607</b>	History of Muslim rule in Bengal (1204 -1757)	100	4
<b>222009</b>	Sociology of Bangladesh	100	4
<b>221909</b>	Political Organization and Political System of UK andUSA	100	4
	Total =	600	24
<b>221109</b>	English (Compulsory)	100	Non-credit

## Detailed Syllabus

<b>Paper Code</b>	221601	<b>Marks: 100</b>	<b>Credits: 4</b>	<b>Class Hours: 60</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b>	<b>History of the Muslims in India (upto 1526)</b>			<b>Exam Duration: 4 Hours</b>

### Outline:

Review of sources– India before Muslim Conquest–Arab conquest of Sind– Impact of Arab rule  
 Phases of Turkish conquests: Ghaznavid era–Sultan Mahmud’s invasions: motives and results–Ghorid era– Muizuddin Muhammad bin Saam–Battles of Tarain  
 Turkish subjugation of northern and eastern India–foundation of so-called Mamluk dynasty–Sultan Qutbuddin Aibak–Sultan Iltutmish–consolidation of the sultanate–successors of Sultan Iltutmish–Sultan Ghiyasuddin Balban–Mongol threat and invasions  
 The Khalji Dynasty: foundation of the Khalji dynasty–Sultan Jalaluddin Khalji–Sultan Alauddin Khalji– expansion of the empire–economic reforms–successors of Alauddin Khalji;  
 The Tughlaq Dynasty: foundation of the Tughlaq dynasty–Sultan Ghiyasuddin Tughlaq–Sultan Muhammad bin Tughlaq’s ambitious projects–foreign policy–Sultan Firuz Shah Tughlaq’s reforms–Taimur’s invasion of India–downfall of the Tughlaqs  
 Disintegration of the Delhi Sultanate– rise of petty independent kingdoms: Jaunpur–Gujrat–Kashmir– Khandesh–Bahmani kingdom–Mewar  
 The Sayyid dynasty: rise and fall  
 The Lodi Dynasty and downfall of the Delhi Sultanat

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<b>Paper Code</b>	221603	<b>Marks: 100</b>	<b>Credits: 4</b>	<b>Class Hours: 60</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b>	<b>History of The Muslims in India (1526-1858)</b>			

Mughal-Afgan contest for power – Battle of Panipath – Babur – Humayun – Struggle with SherShah – Akbar: Religious Policy, Mansabdary System etc – Jahangir - Shahjahan and Aurangzeb - territorial expansion - Later Mughals - Decline and fall of The Mughal Empire -

Advent of the Europeans – Beginning of English Ascendancy under the English East India Company – Battle of Palassey – Third Battle of Panipath – Battle of Buxar – Grant of Dewani and Dual Government Permanent Settlement 1793 – Education Policy of the English East India Company – The Indian Revolt 1857-58 – Mughal Society and Culture.

### Book Reference:

1. Prasad, Iswari : *A Short History of Muslim Rule in India*, Allahabad, 1976
2. Jaffar, S. M. : *Mughal Empire*, Delhi, 1914
3. Chowdhuri, H. C. Ray, Majumder R. C. & Datta K. K. : *An Advanced History of India*, London, 1967
4. Tripathi, R. P. : *Rise and Fall of the Mughal Empire*, Allahabad, 1976
5. Sharma, S. R. : *The Mughal Empire in India*, Agna, 1974
6. Habib, Irfan : *Agrarian System of Mughal India (1556-1707)*, Bombay, 1963,  
: *An Atlas of the Mughal Empire*, Delhi 1982
7. Mareland, WH : *Akbar to Aurangzib*, London, 1963
8. Sarker, Jadu Nath : *History of the Aurangzib*, 5 Vols, Calcutta, 1912-24
৯. আলীম. এ. কে.এম. আব্দুল : *ভারতের মুসলিম রাজত্বের ইতিহাস*, বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা।
10. Ikram, SM : *Muslim Civilization in India*, Lahore, 1961
11. Irvine, W. : *The Later Mughals*, Delhi, 1962

<b>Paper Code</b>	221605	<b>Marks: 100</b>	<b>Credits: 4</b>	<b>Class Hours: 60</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b>	<b>History of Ancient Bengal (upto 1204)</b>			<b>Exam Duration: 4 Hours</b>

### Outline:

Background–sources–geographical condition of Bengal during the period  
 Early History : Sasanka and the kingdom of Gaur  
 The Pala Dynasty : *Matsanyaya*–Gopala and the establishment of the dynasty–  
 Dharmapala: war and diplomacy with the Rastrakutas and Pratihara's–successors of  
 Dharmapala: decline of the dynasty–rise of the Kaibarta's of Varendra–Ramapala and  
 revival of Pala suzerainty–fall of the Pala's  
 The Sena Dynasty: Vijaya Sena, the first ruler of united Bengal– Vallala Sena–  
 Lakshmana Sena : events in Lakshnauti–Vishvarupa Sena and Keshava Sena in  
 Vikramapura–fall of the Sena Dynasty  
**Regional dynasties in Bengal:** The Deva dynasty– Chandra dynasty– Varma dynasty  
 political, social, economic, religious and cultural conditions in ancient Bengal

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 Haig, W. (Editor), *Cambridge History of India*, vol-II, Cambridge, 1928 Majumdar, R.C., *History of Bengal*, vol-I, Dhaka University, 1943  
 ..... *History of Ancient Bengal*, Calcutta, 1976  
 Rahim, M. Abdur., *Social And Cultural History of Bengal*,

vol- I, Karachi, 1963 Stewart, Charles., *History of Bengal*, London, 1913

সেন, দীনেশ চন্দ্র., *বৃহৎ বঙ্গ*, কলিকাতা, ১৩৪১

রায়, নীহার রঞ্জন., *বাঙ্গালীর ইতিহাস (আদিপর্ব)*, কলিকাতা, ১৯৪৯

চক্রবর্তী, রজনী কান্ত., *বঙ্গদেশের ইতিহাস*, ২য় ও ৩য় খন্ড, কলিকাতা, ১৯৬৩

মজুমদার, রমেশ চন্দ্র., *বাংলাদেশের ইতিহাস (প্রাচীন যুগ)*, কলিকাতা, ১৩৭৭ বাংলা সন

বন্দোপাধ্যায়, রাখাল দাস., *বাঙ্গলার ইতিহাস*, প্রথম খন্ড, কলিকাতা, ২য় মুদ্রণ, ১৯৭১

মুখোপাধ্যায়, সুশীল., *ভারতের প্রাচীন ইতিহাস*, ২য় খন্ড, কলিকাতা, ১৯৮৪

<b>Paper Code</b>	221607	<b>Marks: 100</b>	<b>Credits: 4</b>	<b>Class Hours: 60</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b>	<b>History of Muslim Rule in Bengal (1204-1757)</b>			<b>Exam Duration: 4 Hours</b>

#### Outline:

Background – sources– geographical features

**Ikhtiyaruddin Muhammad bin Bakhtiyar Khalji:** Conquest of Lakhnauti and its aftermath– the Khalji Maliks: Ali Mardan, Ghiyasuddin Iwaz Khalji –administration under Khaljis

Bengal during Mamluk rule at Delhi – Balbani dynasty

**Fakhruddin Mubarak Shah and his family at Sonargaon:** beginning of independence

**Ilyas Shahi Dynasty:** Shamsuddin Ilyas Shah and the rise of 'Bangalah'–relation with Delhi : the battles of Ekdala–Giasuddin Azam Shah–rise of Raja Ganesha–Sultan Jalaluddin Muhammad–Ilyas Shahi restoration–later Ilyas Shahi Sultans- Habshi rule in Bengal: the dark age

**Hussain Shahi Dynasty:** Alauddin Hussain Shah–the golden era in Bengal–rise of Vaisnavism and cultural contribution of the dynasty–decline and fall

Bengal under Afghan rule–Sur and Kararani dynasties

Mughal conquest of Bengal–rise of 'Bara Bhuiyans of Bhati' under Isa Khan and Musa Khan–Islam Khan Chisti's role in subjugation of the Bhuiyans

**Bengal under imperial Mughal rule–age of subahdars:** Rise and fall of the Portuguese in Bengal–Mir Jumla and the events in Assam and Arakan, Shaista Khan, Ibrahim Khan

**The Nawabi rule:** Murshid Quli Khan and the shifting of capital to Murshidabad–

Alivardi Khan–European trading companies in Bengal–Sirajuddaulah– Battle of Plassey: eclipse of independent Bengal.

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Dani, A.H., *Bibliography of Muslim Inscriptions of Bengal*, Dhaka, 1957

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Ray Chowdhury, H.C., *Political History of Ancient India*, Delhi (Reprint), 2001

Roy Chowdhury, Tapan. *Bengal Under Akbar and Jahangir*, Calcutta, 1953

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 Tarafdar, M.R., *Hussain Shahi Bengal A Socio-Political Study (1493-1538 A.D.)*, Revised edition, Dhaka, 1998  
 করিম, আবদুল., *বাংলার ইতিহাস (মুঘল আমল)*, ১ম খ , রাজশাহী, ১৯৯৩  
 .....*বাংলার ইতিহাস সুলতানী আমল*, বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা, ২য় সংস্করণ, ১৯৯৭  
 মুখোপাধ্যায়, সুখময়., *বাংলার ইতিহাসের দুশো বছর : স্বাধীন সুলতানদের আমল (১৩৩৮-১৫৩৮ খ্রীঃ)* , ৪র্থ সংস্করণ, কলিকাতা, ১৯৯৮  
 .....*প্রাক পলাশী বাংলার সামাজিক ও আর্থিক জীবন (১৭০০-১৭৫৭) খ্রীঃ*, কলিকাতা, ১৯৮২  
 সাকলায়েন, গোলাম., *বাংলাদেশের সুফী সাধক*, ইসলামিক ফাউন্ডেশন, ঢাকা, ১৯৮২  
 সেলিম, গোলাম হুসাইন., *রিয়াজ উস সালাতিন* (অনুবাদ: আকবর উদ্দীন), বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা, ১৯৭৪  
 মীনহাজ-ই সিরাজ., *তবকাত-ই-নাসিরী* (অনুবাদ ও সম্পাদনা আ.ক.ম যাকারিয়া), বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা, ১৯৮৩  
 বন্দ্যোপাধ্যায়, রাখাল দাস., *বঙ্গলার ইতিহাস*, দ্বিতীয় খন্ড, কলিকাতা, ২য় মুদ্রণ, ১৯৭১  
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<b>Paper Code</b>	222009	<b>Marks: 100</b>	<b>Credits: 4</b>	<b>Class Hours: 60</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b>	Sociology of Bangladesh			<b>Exam Duration: 4 Hours</b>

- The Sociology Background of Bangladesh Society:** The Ecological Background Context-The Nature of Village Society-Religion, Culture & Ethnicity-The British Colonialism and its impact-Pakistan era: the internal colonialism-emergence of Bangladesh: Language Movement-Historic speech of Sheikh Mujib on 7<sup>th</sup> March 1971-Liberation War.
- Population and Ethnicity:** Population composition: age-sex-marital status-literacy-labor force-Population change: fertility-mortality-migration and population control-Ethnic groups in Bangladesh.
- Marriage, Family and Socialization:** Changing pattern of marriage and divorce-Changing patterns of family and kinship –Cultural change and nature of socialization.
- Economy of Bangladesh:** Real economy: farm and non-farm activities-problems of agrarian transformation-Urban Economy: industrial growth-working class-underclass- Informal economy. Problems of industrialization-Migration: Rural-urban migration. International migration: remittance economy.
- Social Inequality and Poverty:** Nature of social inequality in Bangladesh-Income inequality, gender inequality, ethnic inequality, status inequality-Growth and nature of middle class-Poverty trends.
- Politics:** Nature of the state, bureaucracy and political parties in Bangladesh-Political culture-governance problems in Bangladesh-Local governments in Bangladesh.
- Rural Society and Urbanization:** Agrarian structure: Land tenure and class structure-Community and power structure: samaj- salish- patron- client relationship.
- Crime and Deviance:** Pattern and forms of crime in Bangladesh-Penology and correctional methods in Bangladesh-Policy, Civil Society and prevention of crime in Bangladesh.

- 9. Culture:** Pattern of religious beliefs and rituals in Bangladesh-Social groups and language-Pattern of cultural change: modernization-Problems of cultural identity: role of language, religion and ethics-Globalization of culture: cultural dependency-local culture.
- 10. Education:** Structure of education: Primary-Secondary-Higher Education and social structure: differential access to education-class and social mobility-socialization and social control-Changing pattern of education: Institutional expansion-changes in curriculum-enrollment-dropout-Education policy: problems and prospects.

**Books Recommended:**

1. Nazmul Karim, Dynamics of Bangladesh Society
2. A. M. Chowdhury and Fakrul Alam (eds.), Bangladesh at the Threshold of the Twenty-first Century, Dhaka: Asiatic Society, 2002
3. Anwarullah Chowdhury, Agrarian Social Relations and Rural Development in Bangladesh, New Delhi, Oxford/IBH
4. Kamal Siddiqui, Jagatpur, Dhaka:UPL, 2000
5. Ashabur Rahman, Bangladesher Krishi Kathamo, UPL, 1986
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<b>Paper Code:</b>	221909	<b>Marks: 100</b>	<b>Credits: 4</b>	<b>Class Hours: 60</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b>	<b>Political Organisation and the Political System of UK and USA</b>			<b>Exam Duration: 4 Hours</b>

**Constitution:** Meaning and significance, Classification, Methods of Establishing Constitution, Requisites of a good Constitution.

**Forms of Government:** The Concept of Traditional and Modern Forms, Democracy, Dictatorship, Parliamentary, Presidential, Unitary and Federal.

**Theory of Separation of Power:** Meaning, Significance and Working.

**Organs of Government:** Legislature, Executive, Judiciary and Electorate.

**Political Behaviour:** Political Parties, Pressure Groups and Public Opinion.

**British Political System:** Nature, Features and Sources of the Constitution, Conventions, Monarchy, Parliament, The Prime Minister and the Cabinet, Party System.

**American Political System:** Nature and Features of the Constitution, The System of Checks and Balances, The President and Congress, Judiciary and Political Parties.

**Books Recommended:**

1. K.C. Wheare : *Modern Constitution*
2. K. C. Wheare : *Federal Government*
3. W.F. Willoughby : *The Government of Modern State*
4. C.F. Strong : *Modern Constitution*
5. R.M. Mac Iver : *The Web of Government*
৬. ড. মোঃ মকসুদুর রহমান : *রাষ্ট্রীয় সংগঠনের রূপরেখা*
৮. ড. ওদুদ ভূঁইয়া : *রাষ্ট্রবিজ্ঞান*
৯. বিপুল রঞ্জন নাথ : *রাষ্ট্রীয় সংগঠন*
১০. নির্মল কান্তি ঘোষ : *আধুনিক রাষ্ট্রবিজ্ঞানের ভূমিকা*

<b>Paper Code</b>	221109	<b>Marks: 100</b>	<b>Non-Credit</b>	<b>Class Hours: 60</b>
<b>Paper Title:</b>	<b>English (Compulsory)</b>			<b>Exam Duration: 4</b>

### **Aims and objectives of this Paper:**

To develop students' English language skills, to enable them to benefit personally and professionally. The four skills - listening, speaking, reading and writing will be integrated to encourage better language use.

#### **1. Reading and understanding**

5×4=20

Students will be expected to read passages they might come across in their everyday life, such as newspapers, magazines, general books etc. Simple stories will also be included to give students a familiarity with different uses of the language.

[N.B. : 5 Questions are to be answered. Each question will carry 4 marks. There may be division in each question]

- a) Understanding different purposes and types of readings
- b) Guessing word-meaning in context.
- c) Understanding long sentences
- d) Recognizing main ideas and supporting ideas.
- e) Answering comprehension questions.
- f) Writing summaries.

#### **2. Writing**

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- a) Writing correct sentences, completing sentences and combining sentences. 5
- b) Situational writing : Posters, notices, slogans, memos, advertisements etc. 4
- c) Paragraph writing : Structure of a paragraph; topic sentences; developing ideas; writing a conclusion; types of paragraphs (narrative, descriptive, expository, persuasive); techniques of paragraph development (such as listing, cause and effect, comparison and contrast).

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**Or,**

- d) Newspaper writing : Reports, press releases dialogues etc.
- e) Writing resumes. **Or,**

- f) Writing letters : Formal and informal letters, letters to the editor, request letters, job applications, complaint letters etc.
- g) Essay : Generating ideas; outlining; writing a thesis sentence; writing the essay: writing introductions, developing ideas, writing conclusions; revising and editing.

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3. **Grammar**

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- a) Word order of sentences.
- b) Framing questions.
- c) Tenses, articles, subject-verb agreement, noun-pronoun agreement, verbs, phrasal verbs, conditionals, prepositions and prepositional phrases, infinitives, participles, gerunds. (Knowledge of grammar will be tested through contextualised passages).
- d) Punctuation.

4. **Developing vocabulary** : Using the dictionary, suffixes, prefixes, synonyms, antonyms, changing

word forms (from verb to noun etc.) and using them in sentences. 10

5. **Translation from Bengali to English** :

1x 5=5

6. **Speaking skills** : Speaking skills should be integrated with writing and reading in classroom activities.

The English sound system; pronunciation skills; the IPA system; problem sounds, vowels, consonants and diphthongs; lexical and syntactic stress.

(Writing dialogue and practising it orally students can develop their speaking skill. Dialogue writing can be an item in writing test.)