

SYLLABUS UNDER NEP 2020
VALUE ADDED COURSE
2nd Semester
UNDERSTANDING INDIA:
Nature of Course: VAC I
CREDIT 2
TOTAL MARKS (40+10)=50

Course Objectives & Learning Outcomes:

This course is designed:

1. To enable the students to acquire and demonstrate the knowledge and understanding of contemporary India with its historical perspective
2. To demonstrate the basic framework of the goals and policies of national development
3. To demonstrate the constitutional obligations with special emphasis on constitutional values and fundamental rights and duties.
4. To develop the understanding of Indian knowledge systems, Indian education system and the roles and obligations of teachers to the nation in general and to the society.
5. To deepen knowledge about and understanding of India's freedom struggle and of the values and ideals that it represented.
6. To prepare the learners for their roles and responsibilities as effective citizens of a democratic society.
7. A unit in the context of Assam

Course Content:

UNIT I: Introducing India

1. The Land of India: Geographical Setting; Physical and Natural Environment
2. The People of India: The migration of people into India, such as Indo-Aryans speaking people, the Persians, the Greeks, the Kushans, the Shakas, the Arabs, the Turks, the Mongols, etc., and their contribution to the making of Indian History and Culture
3. The Name of our Country: Jambudvipa, Sindhu (Indus), Inde, Hind, Hindustan, India, Bharat.
4. Historical Background of India: Historical Background of India through the ages. India's Freedom Struggle: Brief History, Values and Ideals

UNIT II: The Knowledge System of India

1. Traditional Knowledge System: Gurukuls, Pathshalas, Tols, Maktabas, Madrasas
2. Beginnings of Modern Education: The British Government's Educational Policies
3. Expansion of Higher and Technical Education in India
4. Role and obligations of Teachers in National Development.
5. Education Policy of government. 1986 and 2020.

UNIT III: The Indian Economy

1. Goals and Policies: Post Independent Goals and Policies of National Development.
2. Features of National Dev.
 - a. Social Justice and Economic Equality.
 - b. Goals and Policies and National Development during 21st century.
3. Indian Economy through the Ages (Agriculture, Industry and Trade)
4. Directive Principles and Fundamental Rights and Duties.

UNIT IV: The Making of Contemporary India

1. The Struggle for Independence (1885-1947)
2. The Making of the Indian Constitution; Concept of Fundamental Rights and Duties
3. India's Foreign Policy: Main Elements (Non Aligement, Panchsheel)
4. Secular- Constitutional role of a citizen in Democratic India.
5. Formation of Assam: Challenges
6. Panchayati Raj in India with special reference to Assam