

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME IN HISTORY

Semester – V

Paper No – 14: Issues in Contemporary World History

- 1. Colonialism and Nationalism: a Synoptic view; Social Transformation after the Second World War; United Nations and UNESCO; NAM, Cold War: the character of Communist States**
(15 Lectures and Presentations)
- 2. Perspectives on Development and Underdevelopment: Globalisation--a long view**
(15 Lectures and Presentations)
- 3. Social Movements in the North and the South: Ecological, Feminist, Human Rights issues**
(15 Lectures and Presentations)
- 4. Modernity and Cultural Transformation: Emerging trends in Culture, Media and Consumption**
(15 Lectures and Presentations)

Essential Readings :

E.J. Hobsbawm, *The Age of Extremes, 1914 – 1991*, New York: Vintage, 1996

Carter V. Findley and John Rothey, *Twentieth-Century World*,. Boston: Houghton-Mifflin, 5th ed. 2003

Norman Lowe, *Mastering Modern World History*, London: Palgrave Macmillan, 1997

Suggested Readings :

Mark Mazower, *The Balkans: A Short History* [especially chap. 4], New York: Modern Library, 2000: paperback, 2002

Basil Davidson, *Modern Africa: A Social and Political History*, 3d edn. London / New Jersey: Addison – Wesley, 1995

I, Rigoberta Menchu, *An Indian Woman in Guatemala* [Memoir of 1992 Nobel Peace Prize Winner, London: Verso.1987 {Hindi translation available}]

Jonathan Spence, *The Gate of Heavenly Peace: The Chinese and Their Revolution, 1895 – 1980*, Penguin, 1982