B.A

GENERIC ELECTIVE

SEMESTER -V

(BAB33514T) CONTEMPORARY INDIA (GE-1) (vi)

MAX.MARKS:100
EXTERNAL:70
INTERNAL:30
PASS:40%
CREDITS:6

OBJECTIVE:

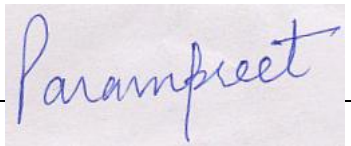
The paper aims at creating awareness among students about political, economic, and social issues that emerged in the modern period and remain contentious even in the present. It helps to understand that past, present and future are interlinked in the historical process. The problems of the past and their solutions need to be revised in the light of present issues in the best interest ofthe people. In a sense history is a continuous process.

COURSE OUTCOMES:

CO 1:	Understand the major political, social, economic, and cultural developments in contemporary India, spanning from independence to the present day.
CO 2:	Know the socio-economic dynamics of contemporary India, including issues of poverty, inequality, economic growth, development policies and the impact of globalization.
CO 3:	Understand the landscape of contemporary India, including the functioning of democratic institutions, the role of political parties, electoral dynamics and governance challenges.
CO 4:	Gain knowledge of issues of caste, religion, ethnicity, gender and regionalism and analyze their role in shaping politics, society and inter group relations.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/EXAMINER:

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2. The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B willhave four questions each from the respective sections of the syllabus and will carry 10 marks each. The candidates will attempt two questions from each section.
3. Section C will have fifteen short answer questions covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 3 marks. Candidates will attempt any 10 questions from this section.
4. The examiner shall give a clear instruction to the candidates to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.
5. The duration of each paper will be three hours.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

Candidates are required to attempt any two questions each from the sections A, and B ofthe question paper, and any ten short answer questions from Section C. They have to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

Section- A

UNIT 1 The Making of the Constitution

UNIT 2 The Planning Commission

UNIT 3 The Green Revolution and its Impact

UNIT 4 Industrial Growth and Private Enterprise

UNIT 5 Liberalization of Economy

Section- B

UNIT 6 Issues of Caste, Class and Creed in the Political Sphere

UNIT 7 State's Reorganization

UNIT 8 Social Movements: anti caste, feminist, minorities

UNIT 9 Issues in North East, Punjab, Kashmir

UNIT 10 India in the 21st Century

Suggested Readings:

- Bipan Chandra, *India Since Independence*, Penguin, Delhi, 2003
- Ramachandra Guha, *India After Gandhi*, Harper, Delhi, 2007

