

**SCHOOL OF STUDIES IN ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY, CULTURE
& ARCHAEOLOGY**

Pt. RAVISHANKAR SHUKLA UNIVERSITY, RAIPUR (C.G.)

COURSE WORK FOR Ph. D. IN

Effective from 2011

S. No.	PAPERS	MARKS
1	Methodological aspects of Research in AIHCA	100
2	Practical a. Review of related Literature b. Seminar c. Project Report/ Dissertation	100
TOTAL MARKS		200

Paper – I

**Methodological Aspects of Research in Ancient Indian History, Culture
& Archaeology**

M.M. – 100

Unit – I

1. Research – Meaning, Aims and Importance.
2. Stages of Synopsis preparation – Selection of topic, Review of related literature.
3. Hypothesis formation – meaning, aims & kind.
4. Selection of Research Methodology, Chapterisation & Citation/Bibliography.

Unit – II

Literary sources -

- a. Religious Literatures – Brahminical, Buddhist & Jaina.
- b. Secular Literature.
- c. Account of the foreign travelers.

Unit - III

1. Survey of Historical sites.
2. Pre-historic Sources - Pre-historic Tools, Pottery & Rock Paintings.
3. Dating & Chronological Sequences.

Unit – IV

Proto-Historic Sources –

- a. Epigraphy.
- b. Numismatics.
- c. Art & Architecture.

Unit – V

1. Cross Examination of sources and Interpretation..
2. Stages of Thesis Writing – Test of Hypothesis, Conclusion.
3. Refrencing, Citation & Bibliography.
4. Writing of Research Paper, Project Report and Book Review.

Paper – II (Practical)

A : Review of Related Literature

The Candidate shall review a minimum number of 20 research articles from journals or book related to the subject of research. After reviewing the above mentioned works the candidate shall submit a summary; composed chronologically developing the arguments within two months from the beginning of the course. On the basis of the review of literature the candidate shall prepare a synopsis including:

- a. Research Topic.
- b. Importance of the Problem.
- c. Objectives.
- d. Review of Literature or works earlier done.
- e. Gaps in Earlier Studies.
- f. Hypotheses.
- g. Methodology.
- h. Plan of the Study.
- i. Chapterisation.
- j. Bibliography.

B. Seminar

The Candidate shall present a seminar on the synopsis. On the basis of the suggestions made in the seminar, the candidate shall prepare a project report/ Dissertation. Final Examination will be conducted with the help of an external examiner in the presence of the internal examiners.

c. Project Report/ Dissertation- Viva