

# COURSE DESIGN

FOR

ADD-ON COURSE

ON

## Unveiling Bengal's Economic Odyssey: Trade Routes and Maritime Glory

Sl. No.	Title	Unveiling Bengal's Economic Odyssey: Trade Routes and Maritime Glory
1	Course outline	Embark on a captivating journey through the annals of Bengal's economic history with our comprehensive 30-hour course. Delve deep into the vibrant tapestry of trade routes and maritime adventures that shaped Bengal's economic landscape, from ancient times to the modern era. Through a blend of lectures, discussions, case studies, and interactive sessions, you will uncover the pivotal role of Bengal as a hub of commerce, connecting civilizations across continents. Join us as we explore the dynamic intersections of culture, commerce, and conquest that have defined Bengal's economic prowess through the ages.
2	Course Objective/outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The student will learn about trade and its role of economy.</li><li>• The student will learn about different Maritime trade route.</li><li>• The student will learn about Early Trade Networks: Prehistoric to Ancient Bengal.</li><li>• The student will learn about Bengal's Position in Indian Ocean Trade.</li><li>• The student will learn about the Silk Road, Spice Trade.</li><li>• The student will learn about Maritime Glory in Ancient, Medieval and Modern times.</li></ul>
3	Faculty Requirement	UJJAL MANDAL, Dept of History. FARMUZ SK, Dept of History KHOLILUR Rahaman. Dept of History
4	Pedagogy	Hybrid mode of learning and practice
5	Course Fee	Free
6	Intake capacity	30 Students of history dept,
7	Course duration	8 weeks/30 hr
8	Course Content	Annexure-II
9	Assessment process	a) Attendance (Marks-5) b) <sup>class Discussion</sup> Project based assessment (Marks-15) c) Written test (MCQ) (Marks-30)
10	Student feedback	After 15 hrs of course and also at the end of course via Google Form or Physical Form

## Annexure-II

Module no	Course title & syllabus	Hours
1	<b>Foundations of Bengal's Economic History</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to Bengal's Economic Landscape</li> <li>• Geography and Natural Resources of Bengal</li> <li>• Early Trade Networks: Prehistoric to Ancient Bengal</li> </ul>	3
2	<b>Rise of Maritime Trade</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bengal's Position in Indian Ocean Trade</li> <li>• The Arrival of European Traders: Portuguese, Dutch, and English</li> <li>• Bengal's Role in the Spice Trade</li> </ul>	3
3	<b>Bengal and the Silk Road</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bengal's Silk Routes: Connections with Central Asia and China</li> <li>• The Impact of Silk Trade on Bengal's Economy</li> <li>• Cultural Exchange Along the Silk Road</li> </ul>	3
4	<b>Bengal's Golden Age of Trade</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Sultanate Period: Trade and Prosperity</li> <li>• The Mughal Era: Bengal as the Gateway to India</li> <li>• Economic Policies and Urban Development</li> </ul>	3
5	<b>Decline and Revival</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European Colonialism and Bengal's Economy</li> <li>• The Decline of Indigenous Industries</li> <li>• Efforts at Economic Revival: 19th Century Bengal Renaissance</li> </ul>	3
6	<b>Modern Bengal: Trade and Industry</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bengal in the British Empire: Colonial Exploitation vs. Economic Development</li> <li>• Bengal's Contribution to India's Independence Movement</li> <li>• Post-Independence Economic Policies and Industrialization</li> </ul>	3
7	<b>Contemporary Economic Landscape</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bengal's Role in India's Globalization</li> <li>• Challenges and Opportunities in Bengal's Economy Today</li> <li>• Future Prospects: Sustainable Development and Innovation</li> </ul>	3
8	<b>Case Studies and Analyses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Impact of the Opium Trade on Bengal's Economy</li> <li>• The Rise and Fall of Bengal's Textile Industry</li> <li>• Lessons from Bengal's Economic Resilience</li> </ul>	3
9	<b>Exploring Bengal's Maritime Heritage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bengal's Maritime Traditions and Shipbuilding Techniques</li> <li>• Famous Ports and Trading Centers of Bengal</li> <li>• Maritime Exploration: Bengal's Voyages of Discovery</li> </ul>	3



10	<b>Culmination and Reflection</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Examining Bengal's Economic Legacy</li> <li>Lessons Learned and Future Directions</li> </ul>	2
	Interactive Session: Student Presentations and Discussions	1
12	<b>Activity- <i>class</i></b> (A) Project Test <i>Discussion</i> Marks-15 (B) written test (MCQ) Marks 30	

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Name :

Class Roll :

Sessions :

F.M. - 30

Each Question will carry 2 Marks :

*Time : 30 minutes*

**Answer all question. Put Tick mark on the correct option :**

1. Which ancient text provides significant information about trade in Bengal during the early centuries?

- a) Arthashastra
- b) Ramayana
- c) Mahabharata
- d) Manusmriti

2. During which period did Bengal emerge as a significant trading center in ancient India?

- a) Maurya Period
- b) Gupta Period
- c) Mughal Period
- d) Pala Period

3. Which ancient trade route passed through Bengal, connecting it to Central Asia?

- a) Silk Road
- b) Grand Trunk Road
- c) Incense Route
- d) Spice Route

4. Which European power first established trade relations with Bengal in the early modern period?

- a) Dutch
- b) French
- c) Portuguese
- d) British

5. What was the primary product exported from Bengal during the Mughal era?

- a) Spices
- b) Textiles
- c) Metals
- d) Rice

6. The city of Bengal was known for its trade in textiles. Which type of textile was particularly famous?

- a) Silk
- b) Muslin
- c) Wool
- d) Linen

7. In which modern-day country was the important trading city of Chittagong located during the ancient period?

- a) India
- b) Bangladesh
- c) Myanmar
- d) Sri Lanka

8. Which dynasty ruled Bengal and was known for its extensive trade networks with Southeast Asia?

- a) Pala Dynasty
- b) Maurya Dynasty
- c) Gupta Dynasty
- d) Chola Dynasty



9. Which British company was instrumental in establishing colonial trade dominance in Bengal during the 18th century?

- a) British East India Company
- b) Dutch East India Company
- c) French East India Company
- d) British South Sea Company

10. The Treaty of Allahabad in 1765 gave the British East India Company control over which aspect of Bengal?

- a) Trade
- b) Military
- c) Revenue Collection
- d) Administrative Control

11. Which major port city in Bengal was a key trading hub during the British colonial period?

- a) Dhaka
- b) Kolkata
- c) Sylhet
- d) Khulna

12. In which year did the British East India Company officially establish control over Bengal?

- a) 1757
- b) 1765
- c) 1784
- d) 1806

13. Which commodity was Bengal particularly famous for during the Mughal period, contributing to its trade with Europe?

- a) Jute
- b) Opium
- c) Indigo
- d) Tea

14. The Bengal Renaissance, which spanned the 19th century, saw a revival in which industry that impacted trade?

- a) Textile Industry
- b) Shipbuilding
- c) Iron and Steel
- d) Agriculture

15. In the post-colonial period, which sector has become a major part of Bengal's trade economy?

- a) Information Technology
- b) Heavy Industry
- c) Agriculture
- d) Mining

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All on Course Examination Procedure & Date

Written Exam : 30 Marks (2X15) MCB

Class Discussion : 15 Marks 15 +

Attendance : 05 Marks 5

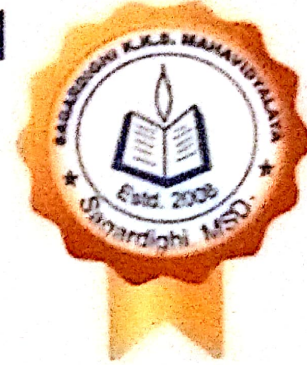
Examination Date : Written Exam 28/01/2019  
Class Discussion 28/01/2019

Ujjal Mukherjee  
03/01/2019



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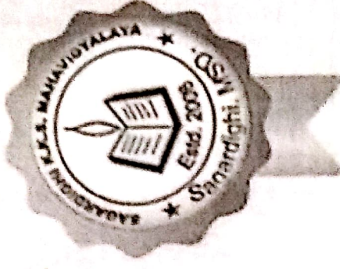
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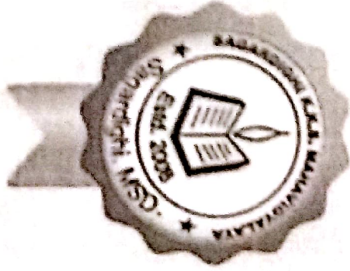
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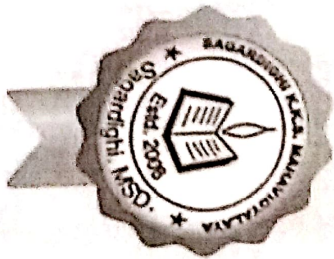
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