

M.A. IInd year
Discipline Specific Elective (DSE-2)
Code-MHS-304
Ancient Indian Numismatics

Semester – IIIrd
Max. Marks – 70
Time–3 hours

Course Objective:

The study deals with the origin and development of coinage and monetary system in ancient India upto the medieval times. It deals with the Early history and evolution of Coinage from the punch marked variety. It studies the development of coins issued by various dynasties and their historical importance. The coin issues of the Indo-Greeks, Guptas, Satavahanas, Chola, Chera, Pandya and Vijayanagar rulers and the foreign issues are also studied.

Course Outcome:

Students will be able to identify and decipher the coins. They will also be able to understand the socio-political background that accure through the coinage of that time; thus getting holistic picture of that economic system prevalent in ancient India.

Unit-I	(a) Antiquity of Coinage in India, Techniques of their manufacturing (b)Coins as a source of history (c) Punch Marked Coins	(16 Lect.)
Unit-II	(a) Coins of Yaudhaya and Kunninda Janapad (b) Kausambi and Ayodhya Janapad Coins	(16 Lect.)
Unit-III	(a) Coins of Satvahanas (b)Coins of western Kshatrapas	(12 Lect.)
Unit-IV	(a) Coins of Indo-Greek (Euthydamus, Menander, Demetrious) (b) Coinage of Kushana	(16 Lect.)
Unit-V	The Coinage of Guptas	(15 Lect.)

Suggested Readings

1. Thaplyal, K. K. and P. Srivastava: Coins of Ancient India
2. Gardner, P.: Catalogue of the Indian Coins in the British Museum
3. Chatterjee, C. D.: Numismatics Data in Pali Literature Singh, A. K., Coins of the great Kushana.
4. Sahni, Birbal., Technique of casting coins in India.
5. Prasad, Durga, Classification and significance of symbol of Punch - mark coins.
6. Rapson, E.J.A., Catalogue of the Indian coins in the British Museum-coins of the Andhra, Western Kshatrapas dynasty
7. Allan, J., Indian Coins (Ancient India)
8. Dutta, Mala, A Study of the Satavahana Coinage.
9. Lahiri, A. N., Corpus of Indo-Greek coins.
10. Whitehead, R. B.: Notes on Indo-Greek Numismatics
Indo-Greek coins, Punjab Museum Catalogue, vol.I
11. Smith, V.A., Coins of Ancient India.
Catalogue of the coins in the Indian Museum Calcutta vol. I
12. Sharma, I. K., Coinage of the Satavahana Empire.
13. Dev, K. K., The Indo - Greek coin types.
14. Narayan, A. K. & Gopal, L., (Ed.), The chronology of Punch marked coins.
15. Brown, C. J., The coins of India.
16. Bhardarkar, D. R., Lecturers on Ancient Indian Numismatics.
17. Bajpai, D. R., Lecturers on Ancient Indian Numismatics.
18. Handa, Devendra, Tribal coins in Ancient India.
19. Rajgor, Dilip, Coinage of Western Kshtrapas
20. Altekar, A.S., Gupta Gold coins of Bayana Hoard
21. गुप्त, पी० एल०, प्राचीन भारतीय मुद्राएँ ।
22. गुप्त, पी० एल०, भारत के पूर्वकालिक सिक्के ।
23. अल्तेकर, ए० एस०, गुप्त कालीन मुद्राएँ ।
24. उपाध्याय, वासुदेव, भारतीय सिक्के ।
25. वाजपेयी, संताष कुमार, ऐतिहासिक भारतीय सिक्के ।
26. बनर्जी, राखालदास, प्राचीन मुद्राएँ ।
27. सिंह, ओंकारनाथ, गुप्तोत्तरकालीन उत्तर भारतीय मुद्राएँ ।
28. सिंह, आनन्द शंकर, भारत की प्राचीन मुद्राएँ ।
- 29.** शास्त्री, योगानन्द, प्राचीन भारत में यौधेय गणराज्य