

**B.A (Liberal Arts)  
GENERIC ELECTIVE**

**SEMESTER -V  
(BLAB33514T) CONTEMPORARY INDIA  
(GE-1) (vi)**

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

**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 of the people. In a sense history is a continuous process.

**Credits:6**

**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 will have 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 of the 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**

- Module 1** The Making of the Constitution  
**Module 2** The Planning Commission  
**Module 3** The Green Revolution and its Impact  
**Module 4** Industrial Growth and Private Enterprise  
**Module 5** Liberalization of Economy

**SECTION- B**

- Module 6** Issues of Caste, Class and Creed in the Political Sphere  
**Module 7** State's Reorganization

**Module 8** Social Movements: anti caste, feminist, minorities

**Module 9** Issues in North East, Punjab, Kashmir

**Module 10** India in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

**Suggested Readings:**

Bipan Chandra, *India Since Independence*, Penguin, Delhi, 2003

Ramachandra Guha, *India After Gandhi*, Harper, Delhi, 2007