

SAINT CLARET COLLEGE, ZIRO

B. A. (History)

SYLLABUS AS PER RGU SEMESTRAL SCHEME

(Subjected to syllabus enrichment by SCCZ for Claretines)

Semester IV

BHIS 404: WORLD HISTORY (1453-1945)

Total Marks: 100 (80- End Semester and 20-Sessional)

Objectives: Having studied this paper, a student will be able to:

- a. *Explain the various events which led to the rise of modern world*
- b. *Explain the causes and effects of the French Revolution*
- c. *Explain the unification movements in Germany and Italy*
- d. *Explain the causes and effects of First World war and Second World War*

Unit 0 Baseline analysis: Assessment of baseline knowledge, basic concepts of world history, course objectives, goal settings

Unit I: Rise of modern world

- a) Renaissance
- b) Reformation and Counter Reformation
- c) Age of Enlightenment

Unit II: French Revolution /Age of Revolution:

- a) American Revolution : Declaration and Framing of the Constitution
- b) French Revolution : Causes and Significance
- c) Congress of Vienna: Territorial Settlement, Critical Assessment

Unit III: Rise of Nation States and Nationalism:

- a) Unification of Germany
- b) Unification of Italy
- c) Congress of Berlin

Unit IV: World War I and its Aftermath

- a) World War I: Causes and Effects

- b) Russian Revolution (1917)
- c) Wilsons Fourteen points and Treaty of Versailles

Unit V: Rise of Totalitarianism

- a) Fascism in Italy
- b) Nazism in Germany
- c) World War II: Causes and Effects

Unit 100 Advanced skills: Revision, assignment, class seminar, journal/magazine discussion, quiz

Recommended readings:

Chabra, H.K. (1992) *History of Modern World since 1914*. Kamlanagar, Delhi: Surjeet publications

Hayes, C.J.H. (1981) *Contemporary Europe since 1870*. Delhi: Surjeet publications

Khurana, K.L. (2018) *A Simple History of Modern World (A.D. 1453-1966)*. Agra: Lakshmi Narain Agarwal

Mahajan, V.D. (1985) *History of Modern Europe since 1789*. New Delhi: S. Chand

Maiti, P. (1994) *A History of Europe*. Calcutta: Shreedhar Prakashani