

**DEPARTMENT OF DISTANCE EDUCATION
PUNJABI UNIVERSITY, PATIALA**



SYLLABUS

**M.A. (SIKH STUDIES) PART-II
(ANNUAL 2011-2012 EXAMINATIONS)**

OUTLINES OF TESTS

There are four papers in M.A. (Sikh Studies) Part-II. Each paper carries 100 (80+20 Internal Assessment) marks and three hours duration. The break up of 20 marks for internal assessment is 10 marks each for two questions from each paper.

	Marks
Paper V : Sikh History (1849-1999)	100 (80+20)
Paper VI : Sikh Literature	100 (80+20)
Paper VII : Sikh Philosophy	100 (80+20)
Paper VIII : Sikh Institutions and Culture	100 (80+20)

Note : There will be no option in any paper.

PAPER-V : SIKH HISTORY (1849-1999)

Time : 3 Hrs.

Max. Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 28

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER-SETTER

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Section-A

The Sikhs and the Colonial (British) Polity upto 1857. The Sikh Resistance from Bhai Maharaj Singh to Bhai Ram Singh, the Namdhari. The Reformers - the indigenous

or the early Nirankaris, and the western (including the Christian Missions and the British administrators).

Section-B

Sikh Society and Religion in the third quarter of the 19th century. Modernization/ Westernisation of the Sikhs - the role of English education, the Singh Sabhas and Sikh Journalism. Emergence of the Chief Khalsa Diwan, its educational and political role.

Section-C

Sikhs Response to Constitutional and Political Movements (1885-1919) Gurudwara Reform Movement (1919-25).

Sikh Politics (1926-1940). Towards the Independence and Partition (1940-50).

Section-D

Religion, Language and Politics : Struggle for Punjabi Suba (1950-1966).

The Punjab Elections and the Sikhs (1952-72). The Sikhs Abroad, The Sikhs and the Indian State from 1978 to 1999.

Section-E

Ten short-answer type questions covering the above four sections.

Suggested Readings

1. J.S. Grewal : *The Sikhs of the Punjab.*
2. S. Kapur Singh : *Parasara Prashna : The Vaisakhi of Guru. Gobind Singh.*
3. ਸਰਦਾਰ ਕਪੂਰ ਸਿੰਘ : ਸਾਚੀ ਸਾਖੀ
4. Harbans Singh (ed.) : *Essays in Honour of Dr.Ganda Singh.*

PAPER-VI : SIKH LITERATURE

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Section-A (Early Punjabi Prose)

- (i) Emergence of Janam Sakhi as a literary form
- (ii) Janam Sakhi Di Dharmik ate Sahitak Mahatta
- (iii) Sectarian Purposes and Dimensions

Section-B

- (i) On the Guru Gobind Singh : Sainapat, Koer Singh and Sukha Singh
- (ii) On the Ten Gurus : Sarup Das Bhalla and Bhai Santokh Singh
- (iii) Gur Bilas Patshahi 6 and Ratan Singh Bhangu's *Panth Prakash*.

Section-C Rehatnamas

- (i) Conception of *rahit* in early Sikh Literature.
- (ii) Emergence of formal *rahitnamas*
- (iii) Purpose and Content

Section-D (Sikh Sahit in the time of British Rule)

- (i) Giani Gyan Singh
- (ii) Bhai Kahn Singh
- (iii) Bhai Vir Singh
- (iv) Bhai Jodh Singh
- (v) Prof. Puran Singh

Section-E

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Suggested Readings

- 1. ਡਾ: ਕਿਰਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ : ਜਨਮ ਸਾਖੀ ਪਰੰਪਰਾ
- 2. Dr. W.H. McLeod : *The Early Sikh Tradition*
- 3. ਪਿਆਰਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਪਦਮ : ਰਹਿਤ ਨਾਮੇ
- 4. W.H. McLeod (ed.) : *The Chaupa Singh Rahit-Nama*
- 5. W.H. McLeod : *The Sikh of the Khalsa*

PAPER-VII : SIKH PHILOSOPHY

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Section-A (Metaphysics and Epistemology)

- (i) The nature of the Ultimate Reality.
- (ii) Attributes of the God as depicted in Mulmantar.
- (iii) Knowledge and Sources - Experience, Revelation, Reason and Intuition

Section-B (Cosmology)

- (i) Creation - its nature and relation to God
- (ii) Hukam, Kudrat, Maya
- (iii) Jagat, Time & Space

Section-C (Human Existence)

- (i) Jiva - Importance of Human Existence
- (ii) Ego, Freedom of will and Transmigration
- (iii) Ultimate goal of Human Life - Jiwan Mukti - Spiritual Continuum.

Section-D (Self Realization)

- (i) Nam Marg
- (ii) Ethico - Spiritual Progress - Five Khands
- (iii) Social & Spiritual Unity - Sangat & Pangat, Seva & Simran.

Section-E

Ten short-answer type questions covering the above four sections.

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| 1. | Dr. Sher Singh | : | <i>Philosophy of Sikhism</i> |
| 2. | G.S. Talib | : | <i>Guru Nanak - His Vision and Personality</i> |
| 3. | ਡਾ: ਬਲਬੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ | : | ਬਦ ਸੁਰਤ ਵਿਚਾਰ |
| 4. | ਸਰਦੂਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਕਵੀਰ | : | ਸਿੱਖ ਧਰਮ ਦਰਨ |
| 5. | ਵੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ | : | ਫਲਸਫਾ ਅਤੇ ਸਿੱਖ ਫਲਸਫਾ |
| 6. | Wazir Singh | : | <i>The Sikh Vision</i> |
| 7. | ਵੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ | : | ਸਿੱਖ ਦਰਨਧਾਰਾ |

PAPER-VIII : SIKH INSTITUTIONS AND CULTURE

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Section-A (Guruship)

- (i) Unity and Continuity
- (ii) Personal and Impersonal
- (iii) Guru Granth and Guru Panth

Section-B (Dharamsal/Gurudwara)

- (i) Development in History
- (ii) Essential Functions and Management
- (iii) Historical Gurudwaras
- (iv) The Golden Temple (Harmandir Sahib)

Section-C

Akal Takht and other Takhts, Gurmata, Shiromani Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee, Hukamnama.

Section-D

- (i) Sikh Festivals : Baisakhi, Diwali and Hola
- (ii) Sikh Sangeet : Kirtan and Var Singing
- (iii) Sikh Rites : Marriage, Birth and Death
- (iv) Sikh Paintings.

Section-E

Ten short-answer type questions covering the above four sections.

Suggested Readings

- 1. Teja Singh : *Ideals and Institutions of Sikhism.*
- 2. Teja Singh : *Essays in Sikhism.*
- 3. Sirdar Kapur Singh : *Some Insights into Sikhism.*
- 4. W.Owen Cole & Piara Singh Sambhi : *The Sikh Religion : Beliefs and Practices.*

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