

DEPARTMENT OF WEST ASIAN AND NORTH AFRICAN STUDIES
ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY, ALIGARH
2018-19

Max. Marks	100
Sessional	30 Marks
End Semester	70 Marks
Credits	04

M.A (International & West Asian Studies)
II Semester (CBCS)

Course No. **WAM-2001 : Modern International & West Asian History**

1. World War I, Its impact

- 1.1 Causes of the World War I and the Ottoman
- 1.2 World War I in West Asian Bafour Declaration Sykes-Pacot Agreement ,
sheriff Hussein, MacMohan correspondance
- 1.3 The Mandate System
- 1.4 League of Nations and Mandate in West Asia

2. Rise and Growth of Arab Nationalism

- 2.1 The British and French Mandate in West Asia
- 2.2 Rise of Zionism and the Palestine Question
- 2.3 Partition of Palestine
- 2.4 1948 Arab Israel Conflict

3. West Asia Since World War II

- 3.1 Origin & Growth of Nationalism, Arab Nationalism
- 3.2 Nasserism & Baathism
- 3.3 Confessionalism in Lebanon
- 3.4 1967 War and its impact

SUGGESTED READINGS

- 1. Armajani, Yahya, **Middle East : Past and Present**
- 2. Lenczowski, G. **Middle East in world Affairs**
- 3. Peretz, Don, **The Middle East Today**
- 4. Gabrieli, F. **The Arab Revival**
- 5. Project Team of the Centre of West Asian Studies, **West Asia : An Introduction**
- 6. Akhtar Majeed (ed.), **Encyclopaedia of West Asia.**

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Course No. WAM-2002: POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY OF WEST ASIA AND NORTH AFRICA

1. Nature and Scope of Political Geography

- 1.1. Origin of Political Geography: Nature and Scope
- 1.2. Geopolitical Thinkers: Mahan, Mackinder, Spykman
- 1.3. Geopolitical Schools of Thought: the political Landscape School; the Political Ecology School; the Organismic School
- 1.4. Political Region or Area: Location; The Core Area; Boundaries; Buffer zones

2. Strategic Significance of Water Ways

- 2.1 Geopolitical Significance of Water Ways: Mediterranean Sea; Red Sea and Persian Gulf
- 2.2 Geo-political Significance of Suez Canal
- 2.3 The Strategic Importance of the Bab Al-Mandab Strait
- 2.4 The Strategic Importance of the Strait of Hormuz

3. Disputes over Resources

- 3.2 Disputes over water Resources: Tigris-Euphrates; and Jordan River
- 3.3 Disputes over Oil resources
- 3.3 Disputes over Gas resources
- 3.4 Disputes in Arabian Peninsula: Bahrain and Qatar (Hawar Islands and Zubarah District): UAE and Iran (Greater and Lesser Tumb Islands)

SUGGESTED READINGS

1. Pearcy, Etzel and Russell H. Fifield. *Political Geography*. New York: Thomas Y Crowell Company, 1950.
2. Anderson, Ewan W. *The Middle East: Geography and Geopolitics*. London and New York: Routledge, 2000.
3. Blacksell, Mark. *Political Geography*. London and New York: Routledge, 2006.
4. Bergman, Edward F. *Modern Political Geography*. New York: WM C Brown Company Publishers, 1975.
5. Mahmood, Fazal. *Geo-political History of Suez Canal*. Aligarh: Centre of West Asian Studies, 1986.
6. Peter Beaumont, et.al. *Middle East : A Geographical Study*. John Wiley & Sons, London, 1986.
7. EUROPA. *Middle East and North Africa* . London: Routledge. Various Years.
8. Fisher, W.B. *Middle East : A Physical, Social and Regional Geography*. London: Methuen & Co LTD, 1971.
9. C.Held, Colbert. *Middle East Patterns: Places, Peoples and Politics*. London: Westview Press, 1992.

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Course No. **WAM-2003 : West Asia in World Affairs**

1. Mandate in West Asia

- 1.1 British Mandate in Palestine
- 1.2 UN and the Partition of Palestine
- 1.3 The First Arab Israeli War
- 1.4 French Mandate in Lebanon

2. The Palestine National Movement

- 2.1 PLO : Genesis and Evolution
- 2.2 The Palestinian – Jordanian Conflict
- 2.3 The Palestinian Resistance in Lebanon
- 2.4 Palestinian Uprising in West Bank & Gaza: First Intifada

3. Geopolitics of Energy Resources

- 3.1 Oil and Strategic Significance of the Gulf
- 3.2 Energy Resources in the Mediterranean Basin
- 3.3 Oil Crisis of 1973
- 3.4 National Gas in the Persian Gulf

SUGGESTED READINGS :

1. Roy A. Anderson & John C. Wagner, **Politics and change in the Middle East.**
2. Mohd. Ayoob, **The Middle East in world Politics**
3. Michael C. Hudson, **Arab Politics – The Search for Legitimacy**
4. David Long, **The Persian Gulf – An Introduction to its People, Politics & Economy.**
5. Bernard Lewis, **The Middle East and North Africa.**
6. M.S. Agwani, **Politics in the Gulf**
7. Tim Niblock, **Iraq – The Contemporary State**
8. Tim, Niblock, **Social and Economic Development in the Arab Gulf**
9. Ghassam, Salame, **The Foundations of the Arab State**
10. Majid Khadduri, **Political Trends in the Arab World**
11. Abid A. Marayati, **The Middle East : Its Govt. & Politics**
12. Maurice Harari, **Govt. and Politics of the Middle East**
13. Abdul D. & William Hartman, **Beyond Coercion – The Durability of the Arab State.**
14. Helena Cobban, **The PLO : People, Power and Politics**
15. Ziad Abu Amr. **Islamic Fundamentalism in West Bank & Gaza**
16. Jawaid Iqbal, **The Lebanese Civil**

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II SEMESTER (CBCS)
Course No. WAM-2004: West Asian Economies and Global Context

1. Growth and Development: Problems and Policies

- 1.1 Developmental Issues (Oil Exporting and Non-oil Exporting Countries)
- 1.2 Economic Growth, Diversification and Structural Transformation
- 1.3 Oil and Development
- 1.4 Human Development Scenario in West Asia

2. Regional Economic Cooperation

- 2.1 Rationale and Importance of Regional Economic Cooperation
- 2.2 OPEC and Arab League
- 2.3 GCC: Formation, Functioning and Current Scenario
- 2.4 Intra-regional Trade in West Asia

3. Globalization and West Asian Economies

- 3.1 Globalization: Benefits and Drawbacks
- 3.2 Global Economy and West Asia
- 3.3 Shifting Pattern of Arab Trade
- 3.4 Migrant Labour in West Asia

BOOKS RECOMMENDED:

1. Rodney Wilson (2012), *Economic Development in the Middle East*, Routledge.
2. Mustapha Rouis, Steven R. Tabor (2013), *Regional Economic Integration in the Middle East and North Africa- Beyond Trade Reform*, World Bank.
Available at <https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/handle/10986/20566>
3. Daniela Marotta (2012) *Natural Resource Abundance, Growth, and Diversification in the Middle East and North Africa: The Effects of Natural Resources and the Role of Policies*, World Bank.
Available at <https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/handle/10986/20576>
4. Marcus Noland & Howard Pack (2007), *The Arab Economies in a Changing World*, Peter G. Peterson Institute for International Economics
5. Julia C. Devlin (2010), *Challenges of Economic Development in the Middle East and North Africa Region*, World Scientific Publishing Ltd

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Course No. WAM-2005 : WAM-2005: Research Methodology-II

The objective of this course is to build upon the grounding of the subject of research and methodology that was done in the previous semester. The course has been designed with the purpose that students get the required training to prepare them to take the task of research.

Unit – I : Survey and Data Collection

- 1.1 Survey Techniques and its Relevance
- 1.2. Measurement and Scaling in Social Sciences
- 1.3. Projective Techniques
- 1.4. Case Study method

Unit –II : Processing and Analysis of Data

- 2.1. Editing, Coding, Classification and Tabulation
- 2.2. Importance of Statistics in Research
- 2.3. Concept, Formation and Types of Hypothesis
- 2.4. Pilot Study

Unit –III : Project Designing & Report

- 3.1. Writing a Project Proposal
- 3.2. Project Appraisal
- 3.3. Preparation of Bibliography and references
- 3.4. Steps in Writing the Research Report

BOOKS RECOMMENDED:

1. Kothari, C.R and Garg, Gaurav : **Research Methodology: Methods & Techniques**
2. Verma R.K. & Verma Gopal : **Research Methodology**
3. Sadhu & Singh : **Research Methodology in Social Sciences**
4. Nagar, A.L : **Basic Statistics**
5. Good & Hart : **Research Methodology**

