



Indraprastha College for Women

University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	B.A(H)History
Paper Title:	History of the USSR:From Revolution to the Dis-integration(c. 1917 – 1991)
Unique Paper Code:	
Semester:	V
Faculty(s):	Dr Ruchika Singh
Year:	2026

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
I	The Russian Revolutions of February and October 1917	1	Background, Causes and Out-break
		2	Continued
		3	Continued
		4	Continued
		5	Continued

		6	Continued
II	Aspects of Socialist Indus- trializa- tion	1	Ideas, Debates and Planning
		2	Continued
		3	Continued
		4	War Communism, NEP, Great Debate
		5	Continued
		6	Continued
		7	Continued
		8	Collectivization
		9	Continued
		10	Continued
		11	Industrialization and Planning
		12	Continued
		13	Continued
		15	Continued
III	Soviet Foreign Policy	16	World War II to Cold War – (1930s-64)
		17	Continued

		18	Continued
		19	Continued
		20	Continued
		21	Continued
		22	Continued
IV	Soviet Union from Recon- struction to Stagnation to Recovery	23	Khrushchev
		24	Continued
		25	Continued
		26	Continued
		27	Continued
		28	Brezhnev
		29	Continued
		30	Gorbachev
		31	Continued
		32	Continued
		33	Continued
V	Nationalism and Disintegration of USSR	34	Question of Nationalism and Disintegration of USSR
		35	Continued

		36	Continued
		37	Continued
		38	Continued
		39	Continued
		40	Continued
VI	Aspects of Culture in Soviet Union	41	Gender 1917-45
		42	Continued
		43	Continued
		44	Continued
		45	Continued
		46	Literature and Arts 1917- 64, Cinema and Sports 1920s-91
		47	Continued
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Unit	Contents/Syllabus
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I	The Russian Revolutions of February and October 1917 Background, Causes and Outbreak.
II	Aspects of Socialist Industrialization -Ideas, Debates and Planning a) War Communism, NEP, Great Debate b) Collectivization c) Industrialization and Planning
III	Soviet Foreign Policy from World War II to Cold War – (1930s-64)
IV	Soviet Union from Reconstruction to Stagnation to Recovery a) Khrushchev b) Brezhnev c) Gorbachev
V	Nationalism and Disintegration of USSR
VI	Aspects of Culture in Soviet Union a) Gender 1917-45 b) Literature and Arts 1917-64 c) Cinema and Sports 1920s-91
S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
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2	Figes, Orlando. (1996). A People’s Tragedy: A History of the Russian Revolution.
3	Suny, Ronald Grigor, ed. (2006). Cambridge History of Russia. Vol- ume 3. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
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5	Nove, Alec. (1993). An Economic History of the USSR, 1917-1991.London: Penguin Books, (revised edition)

6	Mc Cauley, Martin, ed. (1987). Khrushchev and Khrushchevism. Basingstoke and London: Palgrave
7	Roberts, Geoffrey. (2006). Stalin's Wars 1939-53: From World War to Cold War. New Haven: Yale University Press.
8	Hanson, Philip. (2014). The Rise and Fall of the Soviet Economy: An Economic History of the USSR, 1945-1991. New York: Routledge.
9	Kotz, David and Fred Weir. (2007). Russia's Path from Gorbachev to Putin, Routledge
10	Hosking, Geoffrey. (1992). History of the Soviet Union: 1917-1991. Third edition: Fontana Press.

	Paper Components		
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
	3	2	0
Assessment Scheme			
S.No.	Component	Marking Scheme	Total Marks

	t	c h e m e	k s
1	Internal Assessment • Assignment/Quiz/Project/Presentation • Class Test • Attendance		30
		12	
		12	
		6	
2.	Continuous Assessment (Tutorial) • Activity 1 • Activity 2 • Attendance		40
		20	
		15	
		5	
3.	Practical • Continuous Assessment • End Term Written/Practical Exam • Viva	NA	
4.	End Semester Examination		90