



Indraprastha College for Women

University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	VAC
Paper Title:	ETHICS AND VALUES IN ANCIENT INDIAN TRADITIONS
Unique Paper Code:	6967000007
Semester:	SEM-1
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Work Plan			
Period	Unit No.	Learning Objective	Topics to be Covered
1 st Aug -3 rd Aug	1	THE IDEA OF INDIA AND BHARAT	BRIEF INTRODUCTION ABOUT INDIA AND BHARAT
5 th Aug-10 th Aug			JAMBUDVIPA, ARYAVRATA, BHARAT & INDIA
12 th Aug-17 th Aug			GENERAL INTRODUCTION ABOUT KAVYA AND PURANA
19 th Aug-24 th Aug			EARLY DISCOURSE ON MORAL ORDER- RTA IN VEDIC TRADITIONS
26 th Aug-31 st Aug			DEBATES IN THE UPANISHADS AND THE SHRAMANIC TRADITIONS
2 nd Sep-7 th Sep	2	STATE SOCIETY AND DHARMA	ORIGION OF VEDAS, DHARMA
9 th Sep-14 th Sep			THE UPANISHAD AND SHRAMANIC
16 th Sep-21 st Sep			SOCIAL ORDERS AND ETHNIC CONDUCT
23 rd Sep-28 th Sep			DHARMA, NEETI, DANDA AND ITS SOURCES
30 th Sep-5 th Oct			RASHTRA (COLLECTIVE IDENTITY OF A NATION), SANSKAR (RITUALS AND CEREMONIES) & SOCIAL AND CULTURAL MILIEU- INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNITIES EXIST
7 th Oct-12 th Oct	3	THE PURPOSE OF LIFE IN TEXTS	THE LIFE OF BUDDHA IN BUDDHIST TEXTS

14 th Oct-19 th Oct			JAINA AND ITS TEXTS
21 st Oct-26 th Oct			PURUSARTHA CHATUSHTAYA-
28 th Oct-2 nd Nov			MID SEMESTER BREAK
4 th Nov-9 th Nov			GENERAL OVERVIEW
11 th Nov-16 th Nov			SHRAMANIC TRADITIONS
18 th Nov-23 rd Nov			DHRAMA, ARTHA, KAMA & MOKSHA
25 th Nov-27 th Nov			ETHICAL ISSUES IN EPICS AND PURANIC TRADITIONS
28 th Nov	DISBERSAL OF CLASSES		

Unit	TOPICS
I	THE IDEA OF INDIA AND BHARAT
II	STATE, SOCIETY AND DHARMA
III	THE 'PURPOSE OF THE LIFE' IN TEXTS
IV	
S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
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2.	TRIPATHI, RADHAVALLABH, ED. INDIA'S INTELLECTUAL TRADITIONS: A REVEALED THROUGH SANSKRIT SOURCES, NEW DELHI: SAHITYA AKADMI, 2016.
3.	BHASHAM, A, L. WONDER THAT WAS INDIA: A SURVEY OF THE CULTURE OF THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT BEFORE THE COMING OF THE MUSLIMS. LONDON, SIDGWICK AND JACKSON, 1954.

4.	DASGUPTA, S.N. HISTORY OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY, CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS, 1923, VOL. 1-11.
	KANE, P.V. HISTORY OF DHARMASHASTRA (ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL RELIGIOUS AND CIVIL LAW), VOL. II, PARTS 1-2: VOL. III 3 RD ED. PUNE: BHANDARKAR ORIENTAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, [1942, 1946].