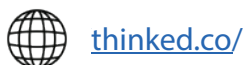




CSS Syllabus

Islamic History & Culture

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Paper: Islamic History & Culture (100 Marks)

Part –I (Marks 50)

I. *Pre-Islamic Near East: An Overview*

- Political, Social, Cultural, Religious and Economic Conditions in the Near East including Arabia before the dawn of Islam

II. *The Dawn of Islam: The Prophetic Age (570-632)*

- Biography of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH): A Chronology of the Major Events in his Life
- Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as a Motivator (Daa'i), Major points of his mission
- Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as a Military Leader/Strategist
- Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as a Political Leader/Head of the State

III. *The Pious Caliphate (632-660)*

- Caliph Abu Bakr (632-34): Apostasy Wars and Consolidation of Islam
- Caliph Umar b. Khattab (634-44): Establishment of Administrative System and Expansion of Muslim Empire
- Caliph Uthman b. Affan (644-56): Problems and Issues in the Muslim Community
- Caliph Ali b. Talib (656-660): Rise of Factionalism
- Abdication of Imam Hasan and Establishment of Umayyad Dynasty (660)

IV. *Political System of Islam under the Prophet (PBUH) and the Pious Caliphate*

- Nature of Islamic State
- Form of the Government
- Functions of the Islamic State
- Sovereignty of God
- Caliphate or Vicegerency of Man
- Appointment of Caliph
- Shura or the Consultative Body and its Role

V. *Institutional Development of the Muslim Civilization: The Early Phase (622-660)*

- Development of Law and Judiciary in Early Islam
- Administration and State Conduct
- Defense in Early Islam
- Educational System
- Propagation of Islam
- Financial Administration
- Heritage and Culture

VI. *The Umayyads in Power (660-749)*

- Political History of the Umayyad Dynasty
- Statecraft and Administration under the Umayyads
- Society and the Development of Arabic Literature.
- Cultural Achievements

Part –II (Marks 50)

I. *The Abbasids of Baghdad (749-1258)*

- The Abbasid Revolution and the Establishment of the Abbasid Dynasty
- Administrative Structure under the Abbasids
- Development of Scientific Knowledge under the Abbasids
- Muslim Philosophy under the Abbasids
- Cultural Achievements

II. *Spain under the Muslim Rule*

- Spain under the rule of the Arabs and Moors (711-1492)
- Political Fragmentation and the Fall of Granada (1492)
- Muslim Contribution in the Realm of Culture, Arts and Architecture

III. *The Crusades against Islam*

- Major Encounters and Actors (1092-1228)
- Impact of the Crusades on Muslim-Christian Relations

IV. *The Ottoman Empire*

- Rise and Fall of the Ottoman Turks (1299-1923)
- State, Society and Economy under the Ottomans
- Treatment with the Religious Minorities
- Contribution towards Culture, Arts and Architecture

V. *Sufism as an Institution of the Muslim Society*

- Origin and Development of Sufism
- Contribution of the Sufis to the Muslim Civilization
- Relationship of the Sufis with the State and Political Authorities.
- A Critical View of Sufism

VI. *Islam and Modernity in Contemporary World*

- The Emergence of Islamic Modernism
- Intellectual, Political, Economic, Social and Educational Aspects of Islamic Modernism
- Dissemination of Muslim Learning in the West

SUGGESTED READINGS

S.No.	Titles	Author
1.	Discovering Islam—Making Sense of Muslim History and Society	Ahmad, Akbar
2.	Islam: Ideology and Leading Issues	Ali, Anwar.
3.	The Spirit of Islam	Ali, S. Ameer
4.	Aspects of Islamic Civilization: As Depicted in the Original Texts	Arberry, A. J.
5.	The Preaching of Islam—A History of the Propagation of the Muslim Faith	Arnold, T.W.
6.	The History of Philosophy in Islam	De Boer, T. J.
7.	The History of Islamic Peoples	Brockelmann, Carl (ed)
8.	Spanish Islam	Dozy, R.
9.	Studies on the Civilization of Islam	Gibb, Hamilton A.R.
10.	The Religion of Islam, Vol. I & II	Gaqwash, Ahmad A.
11.	Classical Islam: A History 600—1258	Von Grunebaum, G.E
12.	The Cambridge History of Islam	Holts, P. M., Lewis, Bernard, Ann KS Lambton
13.	Islam Resurgent: The Islamic World Today	Irving, T.B.
14.	Islam: From the Prophet Mohammad to the Capture of Constantinople.	Lewis, Bernard
15.	Islam in History.	Munir, Muhammad
16.	Islam and The Modern World	Nadvi, Abu Hasan Ali.
17.	The Making of the Past: the Spread of Islam	Rogers, Michael
18.	A History of Medieval Islam	Saunders, J.J.
19.	Introduction to Islamic Civilization	Savory, R.M. (ed)
20.	The Legacy of Islam	Schacht, Joseph & Bosworth, C.E (eds)
21.	Islamic History—A New Interpretation AD 750—1055	Shaban, M.A.
22.	The Abbasid Revolution	Shaban, M.A.
23.	A History of Muslim Philosophy	Sharif, M.M.
24.	Muslim Thought :Its Origin and Achievements	Nadvi Muhammad Hanif
25.	Studies in Islamic History	Siddiqi, Amir Hasan.
26.	The Revolution which Toppled the Umayyads': Neither Arab nor Abbasid	Agha, Saleh Said
27.	Sirat un Nabi Vol. I & II	Nomani, Shibli

S.No.	Titles	Author
28.	Rasol-e-Akram ki Siasi Zindagi	Hamidullah, Dr. Muhammad
29.	Khilafat-o-Malokiat	Syed Abul Aala Maudoodi
30.	Ahd-e-Nabawi main Riyasat ka Nash o Irtaqa	Ahmad Nisar
31.	Siddiq-e-Akbar	Akbarabadi, Saeed Ahmad
32.	Al-Farooq	Nomani, Shibli
33.	History of Islam	Najeebabadi, Akbar Shah
34.	Painting in Islam	Arnold, Thomas.
35.	Early Islamic Pottery	Lane, Arthur
36.	Muslim Calligraphy	Ziauddin, M.
37.	Islamic Art & Architecture	Kuhnel, E.
38.	Daira Ma'arif e Islamia (relevant articles)	University of Punjab
39.	The Cultural Atlas of Islam	Isma'il Raji al-Faruqi & Lois Lamy' al-Faruqi

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