

History Department Report (2024-2025)

Preliminary information

I. Department profile:

Swarupa Kamat, Head of Department and Associate Professor
Dr. Rashna Poncha, Vice-Principal (Arts) and Associate
Professor
Firdos Makwana, CHB
Dr. Lata Pujari, CHB
Ms Nirali Patel CHB

II. Courses/Papers taught:

1. FYBA MAJOR Semester I: History of Europe (c. 1914 – 1945 CE)
2. FYBA MINOR Semester I: Ancient India from Earliest Times to the 3rd Century BCE.
3. FYBA Vocational Skills Course (VSC) Semester I: Introduction to Archaeology
4. FYBA MAJOR Semester II: Ancient India : Harappan Civilisation to the Mauryas
5. FYBA MINOR Semester II: Milestones in European History (1914 – 1945 CE)
6. FYBA Vocational Skills Course (VSC) Semester II: Introduction to India's Heritage: Rock-Cut and Temple Architecture
7. SYBA MAJOR 3 Semester III: History of Medieval India (1000 CE - 1526 CE)
8. SYBA MAJOR 4 Semester III: Renaissance to Eve Of World War I (c. 1300 CE - 1914 CE)
9. SYBA MINOR Semester III: Landmarks of British India (1757 CE - 1947 CE)
10. SYBA Vocational Skills Course (VSC) Semester III: Elements of Indian Iconography
11. SYBA MAJOR 3 Semester IV: History of Medieval India (1526 CE - 1707 CE)
12. SYBA MAJOR 4 Semester IV: Ancient India: From the Shungas up to 1000 CE.
13. SYBA MINOR Semester IV: Landmarks of India (1947 CE - 2000 CE)
14. SYBA Skill Enhancement Course (SEC) Semester IV: Museology

15. HISTORY IV Semester V: Medieval India (1000 CE - 1526 CE)
16. HISTORY IV Semester VI: History of Mughal India (1526 CE – 1707 CE)
17. HISTORY V Semester V: History of Independent India (1947 CE- 1984 CE)
18. HISTORY V Semester VI: History of Mumbai (c. 17th Century to 1947 CE)
19. HISTORY VI Semester V: Introduction to Archaeology and Library Science
20. HISTORY VI Semester VI: Introduction to Museology and Archival Science
21. HISTORY VII Semester V: History of the Marathas (1630 CE - 1707 CE)
22. HISTORY VII Semester VI: History of the Marathas (1707CE -1818CE)
23. HISTORY VIII Semester V: History of the World (1945 CE- 2005 CE)
24. HISTORY VIII Semester VI: History of Asia (1945 CE – 2005 CE)
25. HISTORY IX Semester V: General Knowledge and Current Affairs
26. HISTORY IX Semester VI: Introduction to Research Methodology

III. BOS composition:

- Swarupa Kamat -Chairperson, HoD
- Dr. Rashna Poncha- Faculty Member, VP (Arts)
- Manisha Sakure- VC Nominee, HoD Khalsa College
- Dr. Jaswandi Wamburkar-Subject Expert, HoD, SNDT Women's University
- Dr. Madhumita Bandyopadhyay -Subject Expert, HoD, Smt. P. N. Doshi Women's College, (Affiliated to SNDT University)
- Dr. Kurush Dalal- Representative from Allied area, Archaeologist and Historian
- Prof. Dr. Manjiri Kamat- Meritorious Alumni, University of Mumbai

IV. Date of BOS meetings: 19th September 2024

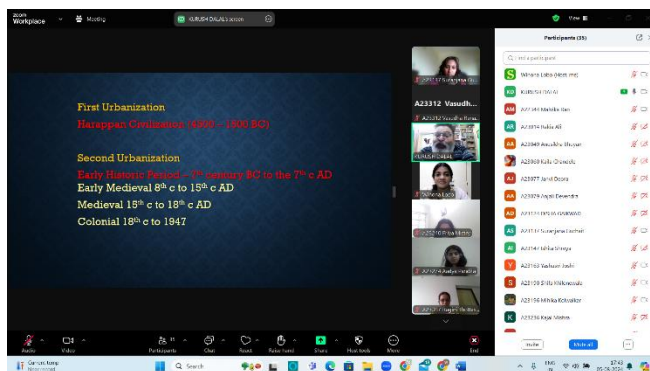
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1. Activities Conducted by the department:

- 1) RUSA sponsored Certificate Course was conducted from 27th July till 5th September. 33 students had registered for the course and 26 successfully completed the course. The Resource Person was Ms Riddhi Joshi.



2. As part of the NEP Co-Curricular Course, the department conducted a Certificate Course on 'Civilisations of Yore'. The Resource Person was Dr. Kurush Dalal. (5th to 25th August 2024)



3. Lecture on 14.11.24 by Prof. Jane Ohlmeyer, Trinity College, Dublin on 'Making Empire. Ireland, Imperialism and the Early Modern World'. Lec-dem by Joanna Yang (Slam Poet, in collaboration with the Consulate General of Ireland and LiteratureLive!



4. Guest Lecture by Dr. Kurush Dalal on “No Surplus Food, No Monuments’ on 27.11.24



5. Talks by History Graduates, sponsored by RUSA.
- a. 13.12.24 CareerScope 1
Prabhatej Kaur , Freelance Collections Assistant, UK

The image shows a promotional poster for 'CareerScope 1' and a screenshot of a Zoom meeting. The poster, on the left, is for 'THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY SOPHIA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (EMPOWERED AUTONOMOUS)'. It features a photo of Prabhatej Kaur and provides the Zoom meeting link: <https://zoom.us/j/966737981797>. The meeting is scheduled for 5:00 PM on 13 December, 2024. The Zoom screenshot on the right shows a meeting titled 'CAREERSCOPE HISTORY AT SOPHIA' with Prabhatej Kaur as the host. The meeting interface includes a grid of participants and a control bar at the bottom.

- b. 14.12.24 CareerScope 2
Anshika Jain, Programme Associate in the INTACH Heritage Academy Division , Delhi.

The image shows a promotional poster for 'CareerScope 2' and a screenshot of a Zoom meeting. The poster, on the left, is for 'SOPHIA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (EMPOWERED AUTONOMOUS) DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY PRESENTS CAREERSCOPE'. It features a photo of Anshika Jain and provides the Zoom meeting link: <https://zoom.us/j/966737581797>. The meeting is scheduled for 05:00 PM on December 14th. The Zoom screenshot on the right shows a meeting titled 'Zoom Workplace' with Anshika Jain as the host. The meeting interface includes a grid of participants and a control bar at the bottom.

c. 17.12. 24 CareerScope 3

Natasha Dotivala , Asst.Librarian, Cathedral and John Connon School, Mumbai

SOPHIA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
(EMPOWERED AUTONOMOUS)

Department of History

CareerScope

Meet Natasha and hear about her journey from academics to a career!

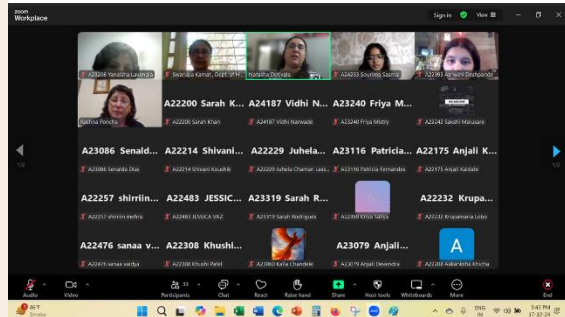
NATASHA DOTIVALA
Assistant Librarian at The Cathedral and John Connon School

17th December, 2024
At 5:15pm

Following is the link for the talk:
<https://zoom.us/j/96673758179?pwd=Zeb3fiYsQibD7nHBTEdGz1JHaHLf2.1>

THIS IS
A RUSA SUPPORTED EVENT

-- Open to Sophia College students only --



Field trips organised by the department:

- 1) Lecture at the CSMVS by Prof. Upinder Singh 'When Barbarians Become Kings: The Shakas of India'. Accompanied by Rashna Poncha and Lata Pujarai



2. Lecture on 11.12.24 at CSMVS by Dr. Vesta Curtis 'Persians and Rome - Interactions and Trade Connections', accompanied by Swarupa Kamat



(till 4/1/25)

There are more activities planned by the department.

Swarupa Kamat & Dr. Rashna Poncha, Dept of History