# History (Major-6) History of Modern Europe

#### Unit 1: Beginning of the modern era

Renaissance and Reformation in Europe during 1450 to 1670, Scientific revolution-Descartes, Newton, The rise of nationalism and liberal democratic experiments - rise of power of Parliament in Britain- From Magna Carta to Bill of Rights, history of domination of British Parliament.

Rising dominance of people centric philosophy of political power

# **Unit II: The era of revolutions in Europe**

Industrial revolution in England; History of French Revolution – fall of monarchy and rise of dictatorship – Napoleonic Empire- Nepoleon Cultural Achivments.

Vienna Settlement and the Concert of Europe: Role of Metternich liberalism, western economic expansion – national revolutions –democracy and socialism.

#### **Unit III: Rise of Nation States and Soviet experiment:**

Crimean War (1853-56), The Unification of Italy, The Unification of Germany Near Eastern Question, Soviet Revolution and aftermath

#### **UNIT IV: History of World Wars**

Various political dimensions, economic Consequences of world wars.

History of League of Nations and it success and failure.

Development of United Nations after the Second World War.

Various structural system of UNO, UN Charter – historical and political reasons – evolutions

## **UNIT V: Post war history and History of International Bodies:**

Post War history of growth and development of various Financial Institutions as a part of UN movement, Briton Wood Agreements – IMF & IBRD – Lead to World Bank – various other bodies like UNDP - Historical background of various trade and tariff negotiations leading to grand design of WTO-History of ICJ as an independent organ of UN, various other non-governmental initiative to strengthen ICJ in course of its history and development History of War Tribunals, Tribunals for enforcement of HR law – Movements leading to establishment of International Criminal Courts

## **Books prescribed:**

1. Norman Davies (1996), *Europe, a history*, Oxford University Press, New York -chapter VII to XI

- 2. Euan Cameron (Edt) (2004), *Early Modern Europe*, Oxford University Press, New York
- 3. David Thomson (1990) ,  $\it Europe \ since \ Napoleon$  , Penguin Books London 110
- 4. Joll, James, Europe since 1815
- 5. Ketelby, C.D.M., A History of Modern Times from 1789
- 6. Thomson, David, Europe Since Napoleon
- 7. Burns, Edward McNall, et.al, World Civilizations, Volumes B and C