

Second Semester

Paper No: HSH. 453 (Hard Core-1)

COLONIALISM AND NATIONALISM IN WEST ASIA

Learning objectives:

1. To know the theoretical formulations of Colonialism and Imperialism
2. To know the process of the establishment of colonialism in West Asia
3. To know the origin of Nationalism and its Theoretical understanding
4. To know the various dimensions and dynamics of Nationalist Movements in West Asia

Learning outcomes:

After completing the paper, students will come to know the following

1. Understand the theoretical formulations of and debates on the problems of Colonialism and Imperialism
2. Get enlightened on the process of western imperialism penetration in to West Asia and Establishment of Colonial Rule
3. Understand the different modes of Colonial exploitation and extraction
4. Become aware of the origins of Nationalism and nationalist movements in West Asia

1. European Capitalism in West Asia: The Anatomy of power politics – Imperialism – Foreign affairs and domestic politics in Ottoman and Persian empires- Europe's financial and economic penetration – relations between the Europeans – the English, the Russians and the French – trade monopoly system and Anglo-German colonial rivalry in West Asia.
2. Modernity and transformation: Political impact of the West – economic and social changes – Islamic modernism and Islamic reformism – dissolution of the Ottoman and Persian empires – reform from above and Young Turk Movement- Tobacco regime and Constitutional revolution in Iran –The World War I in West Asia.
3. The impact of World War I and Russian Revolution: Abolition of Caliphate – League of Nations and Mandatory systems – Growth of Turkish Nationalism and Republican Turkey – conflict between State and Religion in Iran – The struggle for Arab Unity – Arabism and the Fertile Crescent states – Struggle between Modern Zionism and Palestinian Nationalism – Islam in state ideologies, foreign policies and opposition movement – impact of World War II - UNO and West Asia.
4. Independence and Progress: Emergence of new Nations – the state of Israel and the Palestinian issue - Clash of political interests – problems of political stability in Iran, Iraq, Turkey – social transformation and revivalism – Economic growth – interests of Super Powers in West Asia – Dimensions and implications of Oil developments in West Asia – Gulf Crisis – West Asian Peace Process.

Select Reading List:

1. Albert Hourani, Arab thought in the liberal age.
2. _____, Europe and the Middle East.
3. Marshall Hodgson, The Venture of Islam. 2 Volumes.
4. Thomas Naff (Ed), Paths to the Middle East: Ten scholars look back.
5. A.J.Arberry, British Orientalists and Oriental essays: portraits of Seven Scholars.
6. Bernard Lewis, The Arabs in History.
7. Philip K. Hitti, History of the Arabs.
8. Pilip, K. Hitti, Near East in History.
9. H.A.R. Gibb and Harold Brown, Islamic Society and the West Vol.I.
10. Reader Bullard, Britain and the Middle East.
11. Wilson, The Persian Gulf.
12. Bernard lewis, The Emergence of Modern Turkey.
13. George Lenezowsk, The Middle East in World Affairs.
14. George Kirk, A Short History of the Middle East.
15. George Kirk, Contemporary Arab Politics.
16. J.C. Hurewits, The Struggle for Palestine.
17. A.J. Meyer, Middle Eastern Capitalism.
18. Alfred Bonne, State and Economy in the Middle East.
19. W.Z. Laquer, Communism and Nationalism in the Middle East.
20. Edward W. Said, Orientalism.
21. _____, Peace and Its Discontents.
22. _____, Culture and Imperialism.
23. _____, The Question of Palestine.
24. _____, Politics of dispossession.
25. _____, The end of Peace.
26. _____, Covering Islam.
27. Punyapriya Das Gupta, Cheated by the World.
28. N.C. Chatterji, The History of Modern Middle East.
29. William Yale, The Near East.
30. Richie Ovendale, The Origins of Arab-Israeli Wars.
31. Richard Allen, Imperialism and Nationalism in the Fertile Crescent.
32. P.M. Halt (Ed), Cambridge History of Islam, 2 Vols.
33. Denis Maceoin and Ahmed Al-Shahi(Ed), Islam in the Modern World.
34. Helena Cobban, The Palestinian Liberation Organization.
35. Wayne S. Vucinich, The Ottoman Empire.
36. Shah and Shah (Ed), The History of the Ottoman Empire and Modern Turkey, 2 Vols.
37. G.W. Choudhury, Islam and the Contemporary World.
38. P.J. Vatikiotis, Arab and Regional Politics in the Middle.
39. _____, The Middle East
40. Adeed Dawisha (Ed), Islam in Foreign Policy.
41. S.N. Fisher, The Short History of Middle East.
42. William Quandt, Saudi Arabia in the 1980's.
43. K.M. Panikkar, For a Few Barrels of Oil.
44. Akber S. Ahamad, Post Modernism and Islam.