

ST. XAVIERS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY

Board of Studies Minutes Note

From 24.04.2024 to

The -pre board of Studies of Department of Archeology is held at 10.30 am on 24.9.2024. in the Dept of economics.

The following members have attended the meeting.

1. Dr. P. Ganesan.
Associate professor of History
M. K. University
Madurai

Present
24/9/2024

2. Dr. R. Selvaraj
Associate professor of History & Head
M. S. University.
Tirunelveli.

Present
24/9/2024

3. Dr. S. Sarikumar. (Assistant professor)
Head /c Department of economics
St. Xavier's college (Autonomous)
Palayamkottai. - 2.

Present
24/9/2024

4. Dr. S. Alphonsa
Assistant professor in History
Department of Economics.
St. Xavier's college (Autonomous)
Palayamkottai. - 2

Present
24/9/2024

5. Dr. P. Shenbagaraj
Assistant Professor in Economics.
Department of Economics.
St. Xavier's College, Annamalai.
Palayamkottai-5

24/09/24

ST.XAVIER'S COLLEGE (Autonomous), Palayamkottai

Paper: Archaeology

Syllabus Pattern

Sem	Part	Status	Sub.Code	Title of the Paper	Hrs.	Cdt
I	I	Lang	24UGTL11	General Tamil-I	6	3
	I	Lang	24UGHL11	Hindi – I		
	I	Lang	24UGFL11	French -I	6	3
	II	Lang	24UGEL11	General English- I	6	3
	III	Core	24UARC11	Introduction of Archaeology	5	5
	III	Core	24UARC12	Principles and Methods of Archaeology	5	5
	III	EC	24UARE11	Pre-historic of Archaeology (Allied)	4	3
	IV	SEC1	24UARN11	Principles of Archaeology (NME)	2	2
	IV	FC	24UHER11 24UHEE11	Course : Foundation Course : Doctrine for Catholic students Moral Ethics	2	2
					30	23
II	I	Lang	24UGTL21	General Tamil - II	6	3
	I	Lang	24UGHL21	Hindi – II		
	I	Lang	24UGFL21	French -II		
	II	Lang	24UGEL21	General English- I	6	3
	III	Core	24UARC21	History of Indian Archaeology (600 BC to 6 CE)	5	5
	III	Core	24UARC22	History of Ancient India (300 BC to 900 BC)	5	5
	III	EC	24UARE21	A World Civilization except India (Allied)	4	3
	IV	SEC2	24UARN21	History of Art and Architecture in Tamil Nadu (NME)	2	2
	IV	SEC3	24UHEI21	Foundation Course : Integrated Personality Development	2	2
					30	23
III	I	Lang	24UGTL31	General Tamil - III	6	3
	I	Lang	24UGHL31	Hindi – III		
	I	Lang	24UGFL31	French -III	6	3
	II	Lang	24UGEL31	General English- III	6	3
	III	Core	24UARC31	Historiography and Historical methods	5	5
	III	Core	24UARC32	Indian Epigraphy and Numismatics	5	5
	III	EC	24UARE31	Women Empowerment (Allied)	4	3
	IV	SEC4	24UHEI31	Life Issues & Entrepreneurial Skill development		
	IV	SEC5	24UARN31	Excavation sites and Monuments of Tamil Nadu (NME)	2	2
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					30	23

IV	I	Lang	24UGTL41	General Tamil - III	6	3
	I	Lang	24UGHL41	Hindi - III		
	I	Lang	24UGFL41	French -III	6	3
	II	Lang	24UGEL41	General English- III	6	3
	III	Core	24UARC41	North Indian Architecture	5	5
	III	Core	24UARC42	Marine Archaeology	4	4
	III	EC	24UARE41	Epigraphy (Allied)	3	3
	IV	SEC6	24UARN41	Methods of Archaeology (NME)	2	2
	IV	SEC7	24UARS41		2	2
	IV	EVS	24UEVS41	Discipline Specific Environmental Studies	2	2
V	III	Core	24UARC51	History of Indian Culture	30	24
	III	Core	24UARC52	Anthropology	6	5
	III	Core	24UARC53	South Indian Architecture	6	5
	III	Core	24UARC54	Ancient Indian Economy	6	5
	III	EC	24UARE51	Bio-Archaeology	5	4
	IV	VE	24UVEH51	Human Rights & Social Analysis	5	3
	IV	Internshi p	24UARI51	Internship-Field Visit	2	2
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VI	III	Core	24UARC61	Tamil Epigraphy	30	26
	III	Core	24UARC62	Ancient crafts and Technology	6	4
	III	Core	24UARC63	Indian Numismatics	6	4
	III	EC	24UARE61	Project	6	4
	III	EC	24UARE62	Ethno Archeology	5	3
	IV	SEC8	23UARS61	Archaeological Field Visit	5	3
	V	Extensio n Activities		STAND	2	2
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				Additional Compulsory Courses	30	21
				I year Add on Course Growth of Indian Archaeology		2
				Total	180	146

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF STUDY MEETING

The first Board of Study meeting of the Department of Archaeology was held on 24/04/2024

Presiding of the meeting began with silent prayer

Welcome Address: Dr. S. Alphonsa
Asst. Professor (His)
Dept of Economics

Agenda 1 : Analyzing the detailed course pattern for the 1st year UG Archaeology -2024-25

Agenda 2 : Finalizing the syllabus for New Course

The following members present

: Dr. Dr. Selvaraj
Assistant Professor
Manonmaniam Sundaranar University

Dr. Ganesan
Associate Professor
Department of History

Dr. S. Alphonsa
Assistant Professor (His)
Department of Economics
St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai

Dr. Shenbagaraj
Assistant Professor
Department of Economics
St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai

- (1) The Board has recommended the course pattern should be modified
- (2) The Board has approved two core papers for every semesters
- (3) Growth of Indian Archaeology has introduced as an add on course for 1st year UG students
- (4) Museology introduced as a value added course
- (5) Board suggested the field visit, it will be enhancing the students to occur Knowledge
- (6) The board agreed the importance of project
- (7) The Board has introduced
- (a) Aspects of Archaeology

(b) Excavation Techniques

(8) The Board of Study has also suggested

(a) the relationship between Prehistoric Archaeology and Historic archaeology

(b) Scope of Pre historic Archaeology

(c) Numismatics

(d) Indian Epigraphy and Palaeography

(e) Introduction to Archaeology

(f) Principles and Methods of Archaeology

(g) Ethno-Archaeology

The Board of Studies of the Department of Archaeology is held at 2:00 pm on 01/02/2024 in the Department of Archaeology.

The following members have attended the meeting

1. Dr. M. S. Thangam, (University Nominee),
Associate professor &
Head of the Department of History,
Sarah Tucker college (Autonomous), Perumalpuram,
Tirunelveli - 627007. M.S. Thangam
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2. Dr. K. Mathivanan (Subject Expert),
Assistant Professor,
Department of Archaeology,
Manonmaniam Sundaranar University - 627012 K. Mathivanan
1/1/24
3. Dr. E. Iniyar
Assistant Professor of Archaeology,
School of Social Science,
Tamil Nadu Open University,
Saidapet, Chennai - 15. E. Iniyar
4. Dr. S. Alphonsa,
Assistant professor of History,
Co-ordinator of Dept. of Archaeology,
St. Xavier's college (Autonomous),
Palayamkottai - 627002. S. Alphonsa
5. Rev. Fr. Dr. Aruldoss,
Associate professor,
Dept. of Archaeology,
St. Xavier's College (Autonomous)
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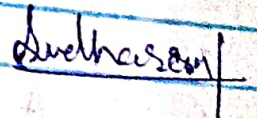
6. Dr. P. Ramesh,
Assistant professor,
Dept. of Archaeology,
St. Xavier's college (Autonomous),
Palayamkottai - 627 002.



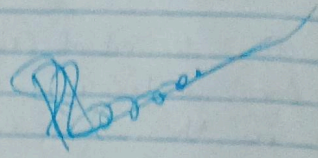
7. Mr. K. Dinesh Kumar,
Assistant professor,
Dept. of Archaeology,
St. Xavier's college (Autonomous),
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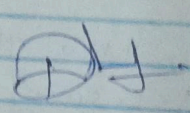
8. Mr. S. Sudharsan,
B.A. Archaeology 1st year,
Department of Archaeology,
St. Xavier's college (Autonomous),
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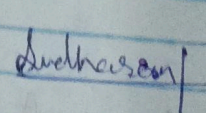
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Minutes of the Board of Studies Meeting

The Board of Study Meeting of Department of Archaeology was held on 01/02/2025, Saturday in the Department of Archaeology at 12.00 PM. The meeting started with prayer.

Agenda for the Meeting:

1. Minutes of the previous Board of Study
2. Finalizing the detailed syllabus for I UG Programme
3. Introduction of Indian Knowledge System (IKS)
4. 40% of the syllabus Skill based
5. Inclusion of MOOC Courses (For Add.on, Value Added and Extra Credit Courses)
6. Any other

Members were present:

1. Dr. E. Iniyan, Assistant Professor of u, School of Social Science, Tamilnadu Open University, Chennai.
2. Dr. M.S. Thangam, Associate Professor, Department of History, Sarah Tucher College, Tirunelveli.
3. Dr. K. Mathivanan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Archaeology Dept. of Archaeology, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University. Tirunelveli.
4. Rev. Fr. Dr. Aruldass, Vice-Principal, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.
5. Dr. S. Alphonsa, Assistant Professor of History, Department of Economics, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.
6. Dr. P.Ramesh, Assistant Professor, Dept.of Archaeology, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.
7. Mr. K. Dinesh, Assistant Professor, Dept.of Archaeology, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.
8. Mr. Sudharsan, Student Representative, I UG Archaeology, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai.

The member could not attend the meeting due to official work.

1. T.Thangadurai, Archaeological Officer, Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology, Thanjavur.

Outcomes in the Meeting

- Dr. Alphonsa discussed the minutes of previous Board of Studies that took place on 24/04/2024.

- Thereafter, the following details have been discussed.

The Board of Studies convened to review and revise the curriculum, and the following recommendations were made:

Curriculum Modifications:

1. Course Restructuring:

- The Board members are recommended that Prehistoric Archaeology be designated as Core Paper II, while Introduction to Archaeology be placed under Elective Paper in Semester I.
- The Board recommended shifting Conservation and Heritage Management and Iconography from Semester V to Semester VI for better continuity.
- The subject Early Historic Archaeology has been renamed as Early Historical Archaeology.

2. Corrections & Omissions:

- The Board suggested correcting the term Tamizhi (Tamil Brahmi).
- Certain technical terms were omitted as per recommendations.
- The Board recommended removing Antiquarianism, Harris Matrix, Remote Sensing, GIS, and Cartography from Principles and Methods of Archaeology.
- Documentation work has been merged from Unit I to Unit V.

3. Changes in Prehistory Subject:

- The Board recommended omitting the topic of Africa.
- The beginning of agriculture has been introduced within Neolithic Culture.
- Units IV and V have been restructured for continuity.

4. Indian Archaeology:

- The Board recommended omitting Sir William Jones, as similar personalities are already covered.
- In Unit III: Archaeological Sites and Monuments have been revised. Mathura and Ellora have been introduced and Mamallapuram and Iconography have been omitted.
- In Unit IV: Manur has been added for Epigraphy study.
- In Unit V: Punch-Marked Coins have been introduced under Numismatics.

5. Protohistoric Archaeology:

- In Unit I, the Board suggested adding only Baluchistan, Amri, and Kot Diji.
- In Unit II, the Board recommended omitting Bhagwanpura.
- In Unit IV, the Board suggested removing Black and Red Ware and Megalithic monuments.
- In Unit V, Atranjikhara has been omitted.

6. Indian Epigraphy and Palaeography:

- The Board suggested omitting Practice on Tamil Brahmi from Unit III. Manur has been added instead of Vallam.

7. Indian History (1206 CE):

- The Board recommended omitting Magadha and the Nandas from Unit II. Indo-Greek and Sakas have been omitted from Unit III. Administration, Art, and Architecture have been removed from Unit IV. Ghazni's Invasions have been introduced in Unit V.

8. History of Tamil Nadu (1336 CE):

- In Unit I, the Board suggested adding Geographical Features of Tamil Nadu and Society while omitting Sangam Literature. In Units II & III, Administration has been removed. In Unit IV, Kusrukhan – Muhammad-bin-Tughlaq has been omitted.

9. Early Historical Archaeology:

- The Board recommended omitting Importance from Unit I. In Unit II, the Board introduced: Significance of Graffiti and its Relation with the Harappan Script. The term Imported Ware instead of Foreign Potteries. In Unit III, the Board suggested adding Sivagalai instead of Mangudi and Sanur. In Unit IV, Rajghat has been omitted.

10. Cultural History of Tamil Nadu:

- In Unit I, the Board recommended adding Sangam Sources, Socio-Economic, and Religious Conditions. In Unit III, the Age of Cholas has been introduced. In Unit IV: The Board suggested modifying Relation with Overseas Empire to Relation with Overseas Kingdoms. Political History has been omitted. Sultanate Impact has been introduced. In Unit V, Political History has been removed.

11. History of India (1206–1707 CE):

- In Unit IV, the Board recommended omitting Afghan Contest and the Establishment of the Mughal Empire. In Unit V, the Board introduced Culture and omitted the Rise of Sikhism.

12. Introduction to Epigraphy:

- The Board recommended omitting: Value of Epigraphy, Tamil Nadu, Graffiti Marks, Potsherd Inscription, Tamizhi (Tamil Brahmi), Grantha, Vatteluttu, Tamil from Unit I. Indhalur and Thokaimalai from Unit III.
- The Board introduced in Unit II: Tamizhi (Tamil Brahmi) and Asokan Brahmi inscriptions (Mangulam, Marukatalai, Mannarkoil, Pugalur, Thathapatti, Jambai, 2nd and 13th Rock Edicts of Asoka).

13. Indian Art and Architecture:

- The Board recommended omitting Iconography from Units I, II, and III. In Unit IV, Kumbakonam – Nageshvarar Temple, Paintings, and Iconography under the Cholas have been omitted. In Unit V, the title Indian Architecture has been introduced, and Iconography, Sculptures, and Paintings have been removed.

14. Other Modifications:

- The Board recommended changes in: History of India (1707–1947 CE), Fundamentals of Tourism. Introduction to Anthropology. In Indian Numismatics (Unit III), Symbols have been omitted. In Ethno-archaeology and Experimental Archaeology: The Board introduced the Definition, Scope, and Methods of Ethnoarchaeology in Unit I. Thodas, Gonds, Chenchus, and Musahars were added to Unit II. Eskimos of Alaska was introduced in Unit III. Stone Sculpture Workshop in Mamallapuram was added to Unit IV. In Research Methodology, the Board recommended shifting Problem Identification from Unit I to Unit II.
- The Board of Studies recommended these modifications for better structuring and continuity of the curriculum. The Board appreciated the students learn through MOOCs for ECC course paper for III UG and Value Added course for II UG and Add on course for I UG along with regular syllabus compulsorily. As students may find difficulties to identify relevant courses through MOOCs.

- The Board suggested that, the UG syllabus are covering 40 percent skill oriented contents, and IKS for more than 5 percent in every paper of the syllabus.
- The Board of Study has conducted a detailed study. Based on their suggestion, the entire subjects have been altered and framed.

Mr. K.Dinesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Archaeology, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.


Signature of Co-ordinator