

MAJOR BASED ELECTIVE – II - TAMIL CULTURE

Unit 1: Pre-Historic Culture – The Home of Dravidians – Earliest Inhabitant – Race Types – Ethnology – Old Stone Age – New Stone Age.

Unit 2: Concept of Muthamil – Key Concepts of Aham and Puram in Ancient Tamil Literature – Ethics of Love and Reverence for Life in Kural.

Unit 3: Characteristics of Sangam Literature – Concept of Religion in Sangam Literature – Lateral Devotional Literature.

Unit 4: Cultural History of Five Regions.

Unit 5: Contribution of Tamils to Indian Culture, Philosophy, Religion.

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