

SECOND ALLIED COURSE – II - INDIAN CULTURAL TRADITION

Unit 1.

Culture – Definition and Nature of Culture – Culture and Civilization – Culture and History – General Characteristics of Indian Culture – Unity in Diversity – Factors of Cultural Unity.

Unit 2:

- a) Vedic Culture – Political Life – Social Life – Economic Conditions – Religious Life
- b) Later Vedic Culture – Administrative Machinery – Social and Economic Conditions – Religious Development

Unit 3:

Culture in Sangam Age – Society – Political and Economic Conditions – Religion.

Unit 4:

Religious Contributions to Indian Culture – Hinduism – Jainism – Christianity – Islam.

Unit 5:

Cultural Renaissance in the 19th and 20th Centuries – Arya Samaj – Brahma Samaj – Theosophical Society – Ramakrishna Mission.

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