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## **A Five Days Multidisciplinary Value Added Course**

**On**

### **An Introduction to Indology**

**19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026**

**organised by**

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For Studies of Maratha History**

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# An Introduction to Indology

## About the Course

An Introduction to Indology is designed to create a comprehensive awareness of ancient to early medieval Indian history and culture. The curriculum sheds light on diverse academic approaches, emphasizing a multidisciplinary perspective. By bridging the gap between history, linguistics, and science, the course provides students with a holistic understanding of India's rich heritage through a structured framework.

## Scope & Outcomes

This course is specifically curated to broaden the academic horizons of history and culture students, as well as any enthusiast eager to explore India's past.

**Enhanced Understanding:** Develop a deeper perspective on the multifaceted aspects of ancient Indian civilization.

**Analytical Skills:** Gain the ability to critically interpret historical data from various sources.

**Practical Knowledge:** Acquire foundational skills in identifying ancient scripts and understanding archaeological contexts.

**Research Orientation:** Empower participants to apply interdisciplinary methods to their own historical or cultural studies.

## What This Course Will Cover

### 1. Foundations of Indology & Archaeology

- Definitions and basic concepts of Indology & Archaeology
- The history and evolution of Indological and Archaeological studies.
- Understanding how we rediscover the past through scientific methods.

### 2. Literary Sources

- In-depth exploration of ancient Indian texts.
- Focus on Sanskrit and Prakrit literature as primary historical sources.

### 3. Epigraphy & Scripts (Practical Training)

- Study of ancient inscriptions (writing on stone, metal, etc.).
- Hands-on training in reading the Brahmi script.
- Analysis of Devanagari inscriptions.

### 4. Cultural & Case Studies

- Analysing cultural evolution through an interdisciplinary lens.
- Special Case Study: A detailed look at the history and culture of Ancient Kolhapur.

## Course Content

1. Introduction to Indology and Archaeology
  - a. Introduction to Indology
  - b. History of Indology
  - c. Introduction to Archaeology
  - d. History of Archaeology
2. Importance of Texts in Indology
  - a. Importance of Texts Part I
  - b. Importance of Texts Part II
  - c. Introduction to Sanskrit Texts
  - d. Introduction to Prakrit Texts
3. Study of Inscriptions
  - a. Study of Inscriptions
  - b. Ancient Brahmi
  - c. Devanagari Inscriptions
  - d. Learning Brahmi Script
4. Cultural Aspects through Indological Studies
  - a. Cultural Aspects through Indological, Archaeological Studies Part I
  - b. Cultural Aspects through Indological, Archaeological Studies Part II
  - c. Cultural Aspects through Indological, Archaeological Studies Part III
  - d. Case Study of Ancient Kolhapur
5. Case Study of Kolhapur
  - a. Case Study of Medieval Kolhapur Part I
  - b. Case Study of Medieval Kolhapur Part II
  - c. Case Study of Colonial Kolhapur Part I
  - d. Case Study of Colonial Kolhapur Part II

## Who Can Register?

- Current PG Students: Currently enrolled in a Post Graduate program in any stream.
- PG Graduates: Those who have already completed their Post Graduation in any stream.

## Participant Registration

- Registration at the Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj Center for Studies for Maratha History, Department of History, Shivaji University, Kolhapur from 15th January 2025 to 19th January 2025.

**Please note: To receive a certificate of completion, 100% attendance is mandatory.**