



Indian Knowledge System (IKS)- Concepts and Applications in Engineering-Syllabus

Week/Module	Topics	Release Date
Week 0	 Demo Video Welcome to the course Course Schedule Grading Policy Exam Details FAQ 	31 st July 2023
Week 1:	 Indian Knowledge System – An Introduction: 1. What is IKS? 2. Why do we need IKS? 3. Organization of IKS 4. Historicity of IKS 5. Some salient aspects of IKS 	31 st July 2023
Week 2:	 The Vedic Corpus: 1. Introduction to Vedas 2. A synopsis of the four Vedas 3. Sub-classification of Vedas 4. Messages in Vedas 5. Introduction to Vedāngas 6. Prologue on Śikṣā and Vyākaraṇa 7. Basics of Nirukta and Chandas 8. Introduction to Kalpa and Jyotiṣa 9. Vedic Life: A Distinctive Features 	11 th August 2023
Week 3:	 Number Systems and Units of Measurement: 1. Number systems in India - Historical evidence 2. Salient aspects of Indian Mathematics 3. Bhūta-Samkhyā system 4. Kaṭapayādi system 5. Measurements for time, distance, and weight 6. Pingala and the Binary system 	18 th August 2023





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Week 4:	 Mathematics: 1. Introduction to Indian Mathematics 2. Unique aspects of Indian Mathematics 3. Indian Mathematicians and their Contributions 4. Algebra 5. Geometry 6. Trigonometry 7. Binary mathematics and combinatorial problems in Chandaḥ Śāstra 8. Magic squares in India 	25 th August 2023
Week 5:	 Astronomy: 1. Introduction to Indian astronomy 2. Indian contributions in astronomy 3. The celestial coordinate system 4. Elements of the Indian calendar 5. Notion of years and months 6. Pañcāṅga – The Indian calendar system 7. Astronomical Instruments (Yantras) 8. Jantar Mantar of Rājā Jai Singh Sawai 	1 st September 2023
	Mid semester Examination	1st September 2023, Due Date: 1 st October 2023
Week 6:	 Engineering and Technology: Metals and Metalworking: 1. Wootz Steel: The rise and fall of a great Indian technology 2. The Indian S & T heritage 3. Mining and ore extraction 4. Metals and metalworking technology 5. Iron and steel in India 6. Lost wax casting of idols and artefacts 7. Apparatuses used for extraction of metallic components 	8 th September 2023





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Week 7:	 Engineering and Technology: Other applications: 1. Irrigation systems and practices in South India 2. Literary sources for science and technology 3. Physical structures in India 4. Irrigation and water management 5. Dyes and painting technology 6. The art of making perfumes 7. Surgical techniques 8. Shipbuilding 9. Sixty-four art forms (64 Kalās) 10. Status of Indigenous S & T 	15 th September 2023
Week 8:	 Town Planning and Architecture: 1. Perspective of Arthaśāstra on town planning 2. Vāstu-śāstra – The science of architecture 3. Eight limbs of Vāstu 4. Town planning 5. Temples in India: marvelous stone architecture for eternity 6. Temple architecture in India 7. Iconography 	22 nd September 2023
Week 9:	 Knowledge Framework and classifications: 1. Indian scheme of knowledge 2. The knowledge triangle 3. Prameya – A vaiśesikan approach to physical reality 4. Dravyas – the constituents of the physical reality 5. Attributes – the properties of substances and Action – the driver of conjunction and disjunction 6. Sāmānya, viśēsa, samavāya 7. Pramāņa – the means of valid knowledge 8. Samsáya – ambiguities in existing knowledge 9. Framework for establishing valid knowledge 10. Deductive or inductive logic framework 11. Potential fallacies in the reasoning process 12. Siddhānta: established tenets in a field of study 	29 th September 2023





	End – Term Assessment	06 th October 2023 Due Date: 29 th October 2023
Week 10:	 Linguistics 1. Introduction to Linguistics 2. Aṣṭādhyāyī 3. Phonetics 4. Word generation 5. Computational aspects 6. Mnemonics 7. Recursive operations 8. Rule based operations 9. Sentence formation 10. Verbs and prefixes 11. Role of Sanskrit in natural language processing 	06 th October 2023

Final Exam Details:

If you wish to obtain a certificate, you must register and take the proctored exam in person at one of the designated exam centres. The registration URL will be announced when the registration form is open. To obtain the certification, you need to fill out the online registration form and pay the exam fee. More details will be provided when the exam registration form is published, including any potential changes. For further information on the exam locations and the conditions associated with filling out the form, please refer to the form.

Grading Policy:

Assessment Type	Weightage	
Mid-Term & End-Term	25%	
Final Exam	75%	

Certificate Eligibility:

- 40% marks and above in Mid Term & End Term
- 40% marks and above in the final proctored exam

Disclaimer: In order to be eligible for the certificate, you must register for enrolment and exams using the same email ID. If different email IDs are used, you will not be considered eligible for the certificate.