

**Elective Course**  
**EC-201(3) Learning from Great Indian Thinkers**

**Course Introduction:**

This course aims at revisiting the Indian culture with the objective of inspiring students to become better citizens. The course is designed to adopt any pedagogy suited to teach the values, ethics and works of some of the world renowned thinkers who have changed history and brought about a renaissance in the cultural and spiritual heritage of mankind.

**No. of Credits: 2**

**Theory Sessions per week: 2**

**Teaching Hours: 20 hours**

UNIT	TOPICS / SUBTOPICS
	<b>Extracts from</b>
<b>1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ancient India:(Any three)</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The Vedas</li><li>○ Stories from the Mahabharata</li><li>○ Ramayana and Bhagvad Gita</li><li>○ Tales from the Buddha's Life/Jataka</li><li>○ Tales from the life of Mahaveer/Jain stories and folklore</li><li>○ Upanishadic and Pauranic Stories</li><li>○ Extracts from the Sangam Literature, the Milinda Panho, the Arthashastra, and the Charak Samhita</li><li>○ Foreign travelers account</li><li>○ Life stories of Panini, Gargi, Maitreyi, Aryabhatta</li><li>○ Varahmihira</li><li>○ Ashtavakra</li><li>○ Shankracharya</li><li>○ Charvak</li></ul></li></ul>
	<b>Extracts from life stories</b>
<b>2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Modern India(Any three)</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Raja Ram Mohan Roy</li><li>○ Iswar Chand Vidyasagar</li><li>○ Swami Dayanand, Saraswati</li><li>○ Swami Vivekananda</li><li>○ Rabindranath Tagore</li><li>○ P.C. Ray</li><li>○ Swami Sahajanand Saraswati</li><li>○ Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan</li><li>○ Sri Aurobindo</li><li>○ Veer Savarkar</li></ul></li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sardar Patel</li> <li>○ Bal Gangadhar Tilak</li> <li>○ Gopal Krishna Gokhale</li> <li>○ Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi</li> <li>○ Subhashchandra Bose</li> <li>○ Jawaharlal Nehru</li> <li>○ Dr. Baba Saheb Ambedkar</li> <li>○ Vinoba Bhave</li> <li>○ Jayprakash Narayan</li> <li>○ Sarojini Naidu</li> <li>○ Madam Bhikaji Kama</li> <li>○ Ram Manohar Lohia</li> <li>○ FieldMarshall Manekshaw</li> <li>○ Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya</li> </ul>
<b>3</b>	<b>Extracts from the life stories of</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Contemporary Indian Leaders: (any three)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ K.R. Narayanmurthi</li> <li>○ Azim Premji</li> <li>○ A.P.J. Abdul Kalam</li> <li>○ Jagdish chandra Bose</li> <li>○ Ramanujan, Meghnad Saha</li> <li>○ Vikram Sarabhai</li> <li>○ Mother Teresa</li> <li>○ Dhirubhai Ambani</li> <li>○ J.R.D Tata</li> <li>○ Ghanshyam Das Birla</li> <li>○ L. N. Mittal</li> <li>○ Subhash Chandra</li> <li>○ Baba Amte, Varghese Kurien</li> <li>○ Ela Bhatt</li> <li>○ Medha Patkar</li> <li>○ Nandan Nilekani, Gita Piramal, C.K. Prahlad</li> <li>○ Case Study-Setting Goals at State Bank of Vermont</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Extracts from the life stories of</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Philosophers(all eras) (any three):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ J. Krishnamurty</li> <li>○ Rajneesh (Osho)</li> <li>○ Ram krishna Paramhansa</li> <li>○ Raman Maharshi</li> <li>○ Amartya Sen</li> <li>○ Maharshi Arvind</li> </ul> </li> </ul>