Syllabus - Classes 6-10

Class VI

Theme I : Diversity on the Earth

Lesson / Chapter No.	Lesson Name	Key Concepts
1	**Reading and Making Maps**	• District Map • Sketch Map • Directions, Scale on a Map • Symbols : Tree, Tank, Temple, Road etc.
2	**Globe – A Model of the Earth**	• Earth is a Sphere • Oceans and Continents • Directions on the Globe • Latitudes • Longitudes
3	**Land Forms**	• Hills • Plateau • Plains, Delta
	Penamakuru – A Village in the Krishna Delta	• Soils • Rainfall and Irrigation • Crops • Irrigation, Market and Changing Crops • Houses • Animal rearing - Road Transport and Markets - Availability of Labour
4	**Dokur Village on the Plateau**	• Deccan Plateau • Soils • Climate and Rain fall • Water Resources • Agriculture and Crops • Market • Other Sources of Livelihood • Road and Markets

5	**Penugolu– A Tribal Village in the Hills**	• Eastern Ghats • Podu Cultivation • Forest Products • Drinking Water • Bamboo – Products • Houses and Habitation • Customs • The Future of Konda Reddys
6	**From Gathering Food to Growing Food – The Earliest People**	• Gathering Food and Hunting • Stone tools (stone-age sites of Telangana) • Fire • Nomadic Life • Painting, Shared Living • Learning to grow Crops and tend Animals • Domestication, Settled Life
Theme II. Production, Exchange and Livelihoods		
7	**Agriculture in Our Times**	• Venkatapuram – Agricultural Labourers in Groundnut Fields • Small Formers in Venkatapuram • Contract Farming • Small Farmers in Telangana • Agriculture in Telangana
8	**Trade in Agricultural Produce – Part – A**	• Selling Vegetables on street – Case Study of Gouri – A small Vegetable Vendor • Weekly Market (Santha) • A Case Study of dry Chilly Seller • Rythu Bazars in Telangana
	Part – B	• Agriculture Market Yard • Minimum Support Price • Selling to a Rice Miller • Selling through Brokers • Trading Paddy in Telangana • Indebtedness and Selling Paddy
Theme: III – Political Systems and Governance		
9	**Community Decision Making in a Tribe**	• Tribes – Societies Where All People are Equal • Gond Panch and Patla • Village Headmen (Patla)

10	**Emergence of Kingdoms and Republics**	• The Ganges Valley 2700 years ago – from Janapadas to Mahajanapadas • Villages and Cities and in the times of Mahajanapadas • Kings, Army and Tax System • Magadha – a Powerful Kingdom • Vajji – a Gana
11	**First Empires**	• Mauryan Empire • Ashoka, a Unique Ruler • Ashoka's War in Kalinga • Ashoka's Dharma • Kingdom and Empires in the Deccan • Some important empires of the Indian Sub-Continent
12	**Democratic Government**	• What does a Government do? • Types of Government • Democracy – Democratic Governments • Representative Democracy • Checks on elected Representatives • Equality and Democracy • Government at Different Levels

13	**Village Panchayats**	• Democracy at the Village level
		• Gram Sabha
		• Formation of Gram Panchayats – Gram Sabha
		  • Wards
		  • Reservations in Gram Panchyaths
		  • Elections
		• Sarpanch, Upa-Sarpanch and Secretary
		• Functions of Gram Panchyats
		• Funds
		• A Case Study of Jangamma, the Surpanch of Hazipally
		• A Case Study – Gangadevipally Panchyat
		• Mandal and Zilla Parishad

14	**Local Self – Government in Urban Areas**	• Formation of Municipalities – Vemulawada • Functions of Municipalities • Funds for the Municipalities • Municipal Workers – Chinna and Nazma • Vemulawada Municipality

Theme- IV: Social Organization and Inequities		
15	**Diversity in Our Society**	• Diversity in Our Neighbourhood • Diversity in India • Study of Thar Desert and Sikkim • Unity in Diversity
16	**Towards Gender Equality**	• Statement Regarding Women • Statement on the Nature of both Men and Women • Growing up as Boys and Girls • Sex Ratio / Fewer girls, Fewer Women • Differences in Literacy Levels • Right to Property • Employment • Unrecognized Work of Women • Things are Changing Now
Theme – V : Religion and Society		
17	**Religion and Society in Early Times**	• Hunter – Gatherers – Chenchus – Religious Practices • Early Farmers and Herders • Religion in the Indus Valley Civilization • Religion of the Vedas – Hymns • Worshiping dead ancestors – The Megaliths of the Deccan • New Questions in the age of the Janapadas and Cities • What happens after death ? • What is it that will never Perish? (Atma) • Parivrajakas • Gautama Budha
18	**Devotion and Love towards God**	• Early Religious Practices and Beliefs • Hindu Religion • Bhagawatas and Shaivas • Story Tellers • Bhakti Movement • Alvars and Nayanars • Christianity • Islam • The Belief in a Supreme God.

Theme VI : Culture and Communication Theme		
19	**Language, Writing and Great Books**	• What is Language? • Why are there so many Languages? • Writing and Script – Different kinds of Scripts • What did people write on? • Poems, Songs and Stories • Vedas • The Great Epics – Ramayana and Mahabharata • Sangam Literature in Tamil • Books on Medicine, Surgery, Astronomy and Mathematics • Sanskrit literature
20	**Sculptures and Building**	• Ancient Stone and Bronze Sculptures • Harappa cities – The first cities of the Sub-Continent • Mauryan period – Sculptures • Budhist Stupas and Viharas • Rock cut Chaityas and Early Temples.

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