

**ELECTIVE COURSE
(EC-101): LEARNING FROM WORLD LEADERS**

Number of credits: 2

Lectures per week: 2

Teaching Hours: 20

Course Introduction:

It brings together the ideas, innovation and achievements of the great world thinkers and leaders of contemporary times for the students to learn and benefit from. In studying the selections, the students will get to discuss and debate a wide range of topics—from academic disciplines, such as philosophy, history, sciences, psychology, literature, performing arts and theatre to social and cultural issues and much more. This will provide the students with a window into a critical understanding of the globalized world. The personalities selected in this course are indicative, and additions or changes can be made according to the choice of the teachers, giving them a leeway to adapt the course to their own teaching methods and pedagogic requirements. Approximately four selections from each category need to be studied during the course. A typical course would include an extract from the life story/work/speech/personal correspondence/biography etc., of these personalities, an annotated description of the context of the personality, his/her work and contribution to humanity.

| <i>Units</i> | <i>Topics and Subtopics</i> |
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| I. From the World of Sciences | <i>Extracts from the life stories and works of: (Any Two)</i> Einstein, Edison, Rutherford, Marconi, C. V. Raman, Ronald Ross; Marie and Pierre Curie; Alexander Fleming; Frederik Sanger |
| II. From the world of Industry | <i>Extracts from the life stories and works of: (Any Two)</i> Bill Gates; Larry Page and Sergey Brin; John Ford; Steve Jobbes; Lee Iaococca; Rupert Murdoch; Richard Branson; Marjorie Scardino; |
| III. From the World of Politics and Social Enterprise | <i>Extracts from the life stories and works of: (Any Two)</i> Abraham Lincoln, Lenin, Nelson Mandela; Barack Obama, Gorbachev, Mustafa Kemal Pasha; Yitzhak Rabin; Sukarno; Ong San Su Kyi; Golda Meyer; |
| IV. From the World of Arts, Culture, and Sports | <i>Extracts from the life and stories of: (Any Two)</i> Hellen Keller; Charles Chaplin; The Beatles; Michael Angelo; Picasso; Tyeb Mehta; Danny Boyle; Richard Attenborough; Pele; Bolt; Jessie Owens; Bryan Lara, Don Bradman |