

I. TRACING CHANGES THROUGH A THOUSAND YEARS

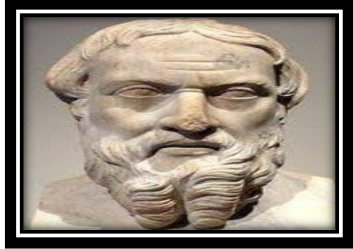
THEME : TO UNDERSTAND WHO ARE HISTORIANS, WHAT THEY ARE DOING & WHY THEY ARE DOING.
TO KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MEDIEVAL & MODERN PERIOD HISTORIANS.



Historians and their sources.

■ **Historians:** The persons who studies & write about past.

* Historians are concerned as a researcher of the past.

* Herodotus.  – “Father of History”- Greek/ Medieval historian

* 12th century Historians- Hemachandra-Indian Jain scholar /poet.

* 21st century Historians – Ram Nath – specialised in Mugal architecture.

WHAT HISTORIANS DO ?

- Role of Historians:
- Historians collect information about past.
- Determining the authenticity of historical data.
- Sharing / conveying/ publishing the medieval period data's.



WHERE MEDIEVAL HISTORIANS COLLECT INFORMATION ?

SOURCES: Medieval Historians collect information from 



 **Coins**



 **Architecture**



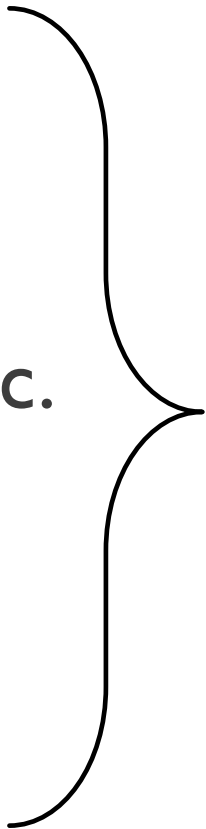
 **Inscriptions**



 **Texts / Records**

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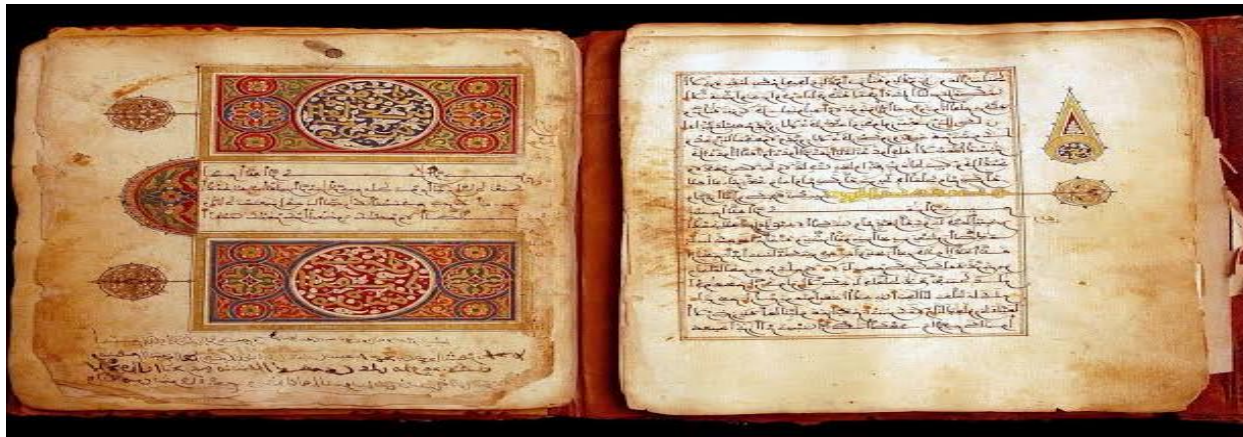
- Reasons for collecting information:
- * To write holy texts,
- * To write chronicles of rulers / letters, etc.
- * To Recollect Judicial records.
- * To know the medieval accounts / taxes



Manuscripts

MANUSCRIPTS:

- Manuscripts: A book / documents written by Historians by hand rather than typing.
- These manuscripts are collected by wealthy people, rulers, temple authorities and placed in Archive / Libraries.



ARCHIVE:

- Archive : It is the place where manuscripts are kept.
- Modern Historians collect manuscripts/ information in archive to make a research about medieval period people.

Archive /
Library 



SCRIBE :

- Scribe – A person who serves as a professional copyist.
- One who made copies of manuscripts before the invention of printing.

Scribe
Copying
manuscripts



DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MEDIEVAL & MODERN HISTORIANS

- Medieval Historians Collects information from

To write

Chronicles, letters, teaching of Saints, Judicial records, A/c & taxes , etc
written by **scribe**

Rich People(Buy)

Manuscripts (Keep) it in

- Modern Historians

Collects
information from

**Archive /
Library**

Make many changes
From original
Manuscript



DIFFICULTIES FACED BY SCRIBES IN COPYING MANUSCRIPTS:

- Difficulties:. No printing press ,so scribes used to write it in hand.
- Scribe feel difficult to understand the original word.so scribes changes certain words / meanings according to what they feel.
- Therefore, Original meaning of the content changes from medieval period

