

**Course: VEC**  
**Understanding India**

<b>Semester: I/II</b>	<b>Credits: 2</b>	<b>Subject Code: ACBVECU2301</b>	<b>Lectures: 30</b>
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**Course Outcomes:**

At the end of the course, the learner will be able to:

- CO1- Understand the cultural diversity of India
- CO2- Analyse literary texts and films in light of cultural diversities of the country
- CO3- Integrate values of empathy, empowerment and equality
- CO4- Examine marginalisation in the Indian context

<b>Unit 1: Culture and Diversity of India</b>	15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Astrologer's Day – R. K. Narayan</li> <li>• One Man's Virtue – Oriya Folktale</li> <li>• Where the Mind is Without Fear- Rabindranath Tagore</li> <li>• Movie - PK</li> <li>• Assignment: Portrayal of Culture and Diversity in any folktale from India</li> <li>• Activity: Dress up in the attire of your culture and introduce your culture before the class.</li> <li>• Skills: Ethics, Empathy, Inclusion, Communication and Analytical Skills</li> </ul>	

<b>Unit 2: Gender and Class in India</b>	15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mother – Baburao Bagul</li> <li>• Girls – Mrinal Pande</li> <li>• Bangle Sellers – Sarojini Naidu</li> <li>• Movie- Shubh Mangal Zyada Savdhaan</li> <li>• Activity: Short Film- Interview any individual from a marginalized community</li> <li>• Assignment: Indian Ethos through Film Analysis</li> <li>• Skills: Ethics, Empathy, Inclusion, Communication and Analytical Skills</li> </ul>	

**Recommended Texts:**

- Komal Tujare and Hiteshi Jain, *Understanding India*. Pune: Compiled by St Mira's College for Girls, 2023.



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**Reference Books:**

- Sastri, S. Srikanta. (2021). *Indian Culture: A Compendium of Indian History, Culture and Heritage*. Chennai: Notion Press.
- Ramanujan, A. K. (1991). *Folktales from India*. Penguin Random House India.

**Websites:**

- [https://www.poemhunter.com/i/ebooks/pdf/sarojini\\_naidu\\_2012\\_4.pdf](https://www.poemhunter.com/i/ebooks/pdf/sarojini_naidu_2012_4.pdf)
- <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/45668/gitanjali-35>

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