B.A Minor in Modern Tibetan under FYUGP

Minor Course - I

For Semester - I/II

Paper Code: UTIBMIN10001

Paper Level: 100

Paper Description: Theoretical and Applied

Paper Credit: 4

Paper Type: Theory

Full Marks: 75 (60+10+5)

Course Name: History of Tibetan Script and Introduction to Tibetan Preliminary

Grammar

Brief Course Description

The course offers a foundation in developing skills to be able to read, write, and speak which

would provide a fundamental knowledge of the Tibetan Language and script. Further it will

enable the student to use Tibetan Language and develop their writing skills at preliminary

stages. They also will be learning to construct sentences without grammatical mistakes which

will bring a continuous flow in their vocabulary to be continued in the intermediate stage in

the next semester. This course will be focusing on developing initial stage of vocabulary and

grammar so that the students will understand both oral and written forms of Tibetan as one

progress to the intermediate stage.

Course Objectives

• Students will learn to use the vocabulary, grammar both written and oral.

• It will enable the learner to read, write and understand basic Tibetan language the

formation of words and sentences.

It will also enable the students to recognize and use homophones

Course Syllabus

	Unit- I	Lecture & Tutorial
1.	Origin of Tibetan Script	3 + 1
2.	Life of Thonimi Sambhota	3 + 1
3.	Formation of Tibetan syllable	3 + 1
4.	'Dogs-can-yi-ge (Subscript Letter)	6 + 2
5.	mGo-can-yi-ge (Superscribed Letters)	6 + 2
	UNIT-II	
6.	System of sNgon-'jug, rjes-'jug, and yang-'jug	12 + 4
7.	Orthography	12 + 4
8.	Case Ending - I and Terminative Particles	5 + 2
	UNIT-III	
9.	Second to Fourth Grammatical Cases	12 + 4
10.	Structures of Tibetan words and sentence	6+2

Recommendation/Reference Reading

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