

The University of Burdwan



Syllabus for B.A.(Hons.)

in

Political Science

Under Semester with

Choice Based Credit System

w.e.f. 2017-2018 onward

Structure of B.A. Honours in Political Science under Semester with CBCS

Semester	Course Title	Course Type	Credit	Full Marks
Sem-I	CC -1 : WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT	Core Course	6	75
	CC- 2 : POLITICAL THEORY	Core Course	6	75
	GE - 1 (Any discipline other than Pol. Sc.)	Generic Elective	6	75
	ENVS	AECC-1	4	100
Sem-II	CC - 3 : INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT	Core Course	6	75
	CC - 4 : INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS	Core Course	6	75
	GE - 2 (Any discipline other than Pol. Sc.)	Generic Elective	6	75
	Communicative English/MIL	AECC-2	2	50
Sem-III	CC -5 : COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS	Core Course	6	75
	CC - 6 : PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION- Basic Theories	Core Course	6	75
	CC -7 : LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN INDIA	Core Course	6	75
	GE - 3 (Any discipline other than Pol. Sc.)	Generic Elective	6	75
	Skill Enhancement Course	SEC-1	2	50
Sem-IV	CC - 8 : INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	Core Course	6	75
	CC -9 : SOCIOLOGY AND POLITICS	Core Course	6	75
	CC- 10 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS	Core Course	6	75
	GE - 4 (Any discipline other than Pol. Sc.)	Generic Elective	6	75
	Skill Enhancement Course	SEC-2	2	50
Sem-V	CC-11 : SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN INDIA	Core Course	6	75
	CC-12 : ELEMENTARY RESEARCH METHODS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE	Core Course	6	75
	Discipline Specific Elective	DSE-1	6	75
	Discipline Specific Elective	DSE-2	6	75
Sem-VI	CC-13 : INDIAN FOREIGN POLICY	Core Course	6	75
	CC-14 :CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN INDIA	Core Course	6	75
	Discipline Specific Course	DSE-3	6	75
	Discipline Specific Course	DSE-4	6	75

CORE COURSE (CC) : 6 CREDITS EACH

CC-1 : WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT

CC-2 : POLITICAL THEORY

CC-3 : INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

CC-4 : INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

CC -5 : COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

CC -6 : PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION – BASIC THEORIES

CC-7 : LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN INDIA

CC-8 : INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

CC-9 : SOCIOLOGY AND POLITICS

CC-10 : INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

CC-11 : SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN INDIA

CC-12 : ELEMENTARY RESEARCH METHODS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

CC-13 : INDIAN FOREIGN POLICY

CC-14 : CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN INDIA

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (DSE)

DSE-1 : SELECT COMPARATIVE POLITICAL THEORIES Or,

ADVANCED POLITICAL THEORY

DSE-2 : DEMOCRACY AND DECENTRALIZED GOVERNANCE Or,

UNDERSTANDING GOOD GOVERNANCE

DSE-3 : PUBLIC POLICY: CONCEPTS AND IMPLEMENTATION IN INDIA Or,

LOCAL GOVT. IN WEST BENGAL

DSE-4 : UNDERSTANDING GLOBALIZATION Or,

POLITICAL ECONOMY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

GENERIC ELECTIVE (FOR THE STUDENTS OF OTHER DISCIPLINES)

GE-1 :WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT

GE-2 :POLITICAL THEORY

GE-3: INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

GE-4: INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSES(SEC)

SEC-1 : LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT Or, PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION.

SEC-2 : PUBLIC OPINION AND SURVEY RESEARCH Or, DEMOCRATIC AWARENESS
THROUGH LEGAL LITERACY.

Detailed Syllabus

SEMESTER - I

CC-1 : WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT: 6 credits(Theoretical-5 Credits, Tutorial 1 Credit)

- 1. Ancient Greek Political Thought: Plato – Justice; Aristotle: Concept of the State**
- 2. Medieval Political Thought: Main features 5 lectures**
- 3. Renaissance and Machiavelli: Concept of Power and Secularization of Politics**
- 4. Hobbes: Concept of Sovereignty; Locke: Foundations of Liberalism; Rousseau: General Will**
- 5. Hegel: State**
- 8. Marx and Engels: Dialectical and Historical Materialism; Lenin: Imperialism**
- 9. J.S. Mill and Isaiah Berlin: concept of Liberty**

Suggested Readings:

1. G. H. Sabine, *A History of Political Theory* (USA: Wadsworth Publishing Co Inc.)
2. A.K. Mukhopadhyay, *Western Political Thought : From Plato to Marx* (Kolkata: K.P. Bagchi)
3. S. Mukherjee and S. Ramaswamy, *A History of Political Thought*, (New Delhi: PHI)
4. Brian R. Nelson, *Western Political Thought: From Socrates to the Age of Ideology*, (Delhi: Pearson)
5. Shefali Jha, *Western Political Thought* (Delhi: Pearson)

CC- 2 : POLITICAL THEORY : 6 credits (Theoretical-5 Credits, Tutorial 1 Credit)

- 1. The meaning of Politics and Political Theory; Importance of Political Theory: Decline and Resurgence**
- 2. Different Approaches: (a) Traditional (b) Behavioural and Post-Behavioural (c) Marxist**
- 3. The Concept of Sovereignty: (a) Monistic (b) Pluralist (c) Popular**
- 4. Liberty and Equality: Meaning and their Inter-relationship**
- 5. Theory of Justice: Rawls**

6. Ideology – Meaning and Variants: (a) Anarchism (b) Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism (c) Fascism; The End of Ideology Debate – Daniel Bell and Francis Fukuyama

7. Theories of State : (a) Idealist (b) Liberal (c) Marxist (d) Gandhian

Suggested Readings:

1. R. Bhargava and A. Acharya eds. *Political Theory* (Delhi : Longman, 2008)
2. O. P. Gauba. *Introudction to Political Theory* (New Delhi : Macmillan, 2011)
3. J. C. Johari. *Contemporary Political Theory* (New Delhi : Advent Books)
4. S. Ramaswamy. *Political Theory: Ideas and Concept* (New Delhi : Macmillan)
5. A. Roy and M. Bhattacharya. *Political Theory: Ideas and Institutions* (Kolkata: World Press)
6. S.P. Verma. *Modern Political Theory* (New Delhi: Vikash)
7. D.C. Bhattacharyya, *Political Theory* (Kolkata: Vijoya Publishing House)

Generic Elective (FOR THE STUDENTS OF OTHER DISCIPLINES)

GE -1 : WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT : 6 Credits (Theoretical-5 Credits

Tutorial

1

Credit)

1. Ancient Greek Political Thought: Main Features

2. Medieval Political Thought: Main features

3. Machiavelli: Concept of statecraft and power politics

4. Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau: Concept of Sovereignty

5. Marx and Engels: Dialectical and Historical Materialism; Revolution; Lenin: Imperialism

6. J.S. Mill: Concept of Liberty

Suggested Readings :

1. G. H. Sabine, *A History of Political Theory* (USA: Wadsworth Publishing Co Inc,)
2. A.K. Mukhopadhyay, *Western Political Thought : From Plato to Marx* (Kolkata: K.P. Bagchi)
3. S. Mukherjee and S. Ramaswamy, *A History of Political Thought*, (New Delhi: PHI)
4. Brian R. Nelson, *Western Political Thought: From Socrates to the Age of Ideology*, (Delhi: Pearson)
5. Shefali Jha, *Western Political Thought* (Delhi: Pearson)

SEMESTER - II

CC-3 : INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT: 6 credits (Theoretical-5 Credits, Tutorial 1 Credit)

1. Ancient Indian Political Thought : Features ; Kautilya's theory of Saptanga and the concept of 'Dandaniti'.

2. Main features of medieval Muslim Political Thought.

3. Raja Rammohun Roy : perception of British Colonial Rule and their role as Modernizers.

4. Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay, Vivekananda : Nationalism.

5. Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi : Satyagraha; trusteeship

6. Rabindranath Tagore ; State, Society and Nation.

7. B.R. Ambedkar : Social Justice.

Suggested Readings:

1. Altekar, A.S., *State and Government in Ancient India* (Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass)
2. Varma, V. P., *Ancient and Medieval Indian Political Thought* (Agra: Lakshmi Narayan Agarwal)
3. Varma, V. P., *Modern Indian Political Thought* (Agra: Lakshmi Narayan Agarwal)
4. Pantham, T and Deutsch, K. L., *Political Thought In Modern India (ed.)*, (New Delhi: Sage Publications)
5. Chakraborty, B and Pandey, R. K., *Modern Indian Political Thought*, (New Delhi: Sage)
6. Singh, M. P. and Roy, H, *Indian Political Thought: Themes and Thinkers*, (New Delhi: Pearson)

CC-4 : INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS: 6 credits (Theoretical-5 Credits, Tutorial 1 Credit)

1.a The Constituent Assembly: its Composition and role

b. The Preamble and its Significance

2. (a) Fundamental Rights and Duties (b) Directive Principles of State Policy

3. Nature of Indian Federalism: Centre-States relations – Legislative, Administrative and Financial

4. Union Legislature: Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha – Organization, Functions and Law-making Procedures; the Speaker; Procedure of Constitutional Amendment

5. Union Executive: President and Prime Minister: Powers and functions; Governor and Chief Minister: Powers and function

6. Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Composition and Functions;

7. Party System in India: Features and Trends; Coalition Governments

8. Electoral Process: Election Commission – Composition and Functions; Electoral Reforms

Suggested Readings:

1. Basu, D. D, *Introduction to the Constitution of India* (Nagpur: Lexis Nexis)
2. Kashyap, S. C., *Our Constitution* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
3. Kashyap, S.C., *Our Political System* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
4. Hiregowder, G. C. et al., *The Indian Constitution: An Introduction*, (New Delhi: Orient Black Swan)
5. Johari, J. C., *Indian Government and Politics*, Vol. 1 and 2 (New Delhi: Vikash Publication)
6. Khosla, Madhab, *The Indian Constitution* (New Delhi: Oxford)

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GE -2 : POLITICAL THEORY : 6 credits (Theoretical-5 Credits, Tutorial 1 Credit)

1. The meaning of Politics and Political Theory; Importance of Political Theory; Different Approaches: (a) Traditional (b) Behavioural and Post-Behavioural (c) Marxist

2. The Concept of Sovereignty: (a) Monistic (b) Pluralist (c) Popular

3. Liberty and Equality: Meaning and their Inter-relationship

4. Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism

5. Theories of State: (a) Idealist (b) Liberal (c) Marxist (d) Gandhian

6. Political parties and pressure groups: concept and role

Suggested Readings:

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2. O. P. Gauba. *Introudction to Political Theory* (New Delhi : Macmillan, 2011)
3. J. C. Johari. *Contemporary Political Theory* (New Delhi : Advent Books)
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5. A. Roy and M. Bhattacharya. *Political Theory: Ideas and Institutions* (Kolkata: World Press)
6. S.P. Verma. *Modern Political Theory* (New Delhi: Vikash)
7. D.C. Bhattacharyya, *Political Theory* (Kolkata: Vijoya Publishing House)

SEMESTER-III

CC-5 : COMPARATIVE POLITICS 6 Credits Total Classes : 60

1. Transition from Comparative Government to Comparative Politics - Scope and Objectives of Comparative Politics

2. Conventions and the Rule of Law in UK ; Bill of Rights in the USA

3. Unitary Systems: UK and France; Federal Systems: USA

4. Parliamentary and Presidential Systems: UK and USA and China

5. Party System in UK and USA and France, Nigeria, Mexico.

6. Legislatures in UK and USA: Composition and Functions.

7. Judiciary in UK, USA and France

References:

1. G. Almond et al, Comparative Politics Today : A World View. (Delhi, Pearson)

2. Gabriel Abraham Almond, G. Bingham Powell, Comparative politics: system, process, and policy, (Little, Brown and Co)

3. Rod Hague, Martin Harrop and Shaun Breslin, Comparative Government and Politics – An Introduction (Macmillan, London)

4. S.N. Ray, Modern Comparative Politics – Approaches, Methods and Issues. (New Delhi, PHI)

5. J.C. Johari, Major Modern Political Systems (New Delhi, Sterling).

6. Rakhahari Chatterjee, Comparative Politics: History, Methods and Approaches (Sarat Book House, Kolkata).

CC-6 : PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION - Basic Theories 6 Credits Total Classes : 60

1. Public Administration: Meaning, dimensions and significance of the; Evolution of Public Administration as a Discipline ; Identity crisis of Public Administration

2. Classical Theories: Scientific Management(F.W. Taylor); Administrative Management(Gullick, Urwick); Ideal type bureaucracy(Weber)

3. Neo-Classical Theories: Human Relations(Elton Mayo); Decision Making Theory(Herbert Simon); Motivation Theory(Herzberg, Maslow)

4. Contemporary Theories: Ecological Approach(Fred Riggs); Innovation and Entrepreneurship(Peter Drucker)

5. Concepts of Administration: Hierarachy, Span of Control, Unity of Command, Line and Staff, Centralization-Decentralization, Devolution, Delegation

6. Major approaches in Public Administration – New Public Administration, New Public Management, New Public Service Approach, Feminist Perspective.

References:

1. F.A. Nigro and L.G. Nigro, *Modern Public Administration*. (New York: Harper and Row)
2. Ramesh K. Arrora and Rajni Goyal, *Indian Public Administration: Institutions and Issues*. (New Delhi, WishwarPrakashan)
3. Mohit Bhattacharya, *New Horizons of Public Administration*. (New Delhi, Jawahar Publishers)
4. A. Avasthi and S. Maheshwarei, *Public Administration* (Agra, Lakshmi Narain Agarwal)
5. S. Maheshwari, *Indian Administration* (New Delhi, Orient Longman)
6. Runki Basu, *Public Administration: Concepts and Theories* (New Delhi, Sterling Pub. Pvt. Ltd.)
7. A. K. Mukhopadhyay, *Municipal Government and Urban Development*. (New Delhi, IIPA)
8. S.N. Jha and P.C. Mathur (ed), *Decentralisation and Local Politics in India* (New Delhi, Sage)
9. C P. Bhambhri, *Public Administration, Theory and Practice* (Meerut City, Jai Prakash Nath & Co)
10. Alka Dhameja and Sweta Mishra (eds.), *Public Administration: Approaches and Applications* (Noida: Pearson)
11. Arindam Ray, *Mapping Administrative Theories: Problems And Prospects*, Kunal Books, New Delhi, 2018
12. Bidyut Chkrabarty, Prakash Chand, *Public Administration in Globalizing World*, Sage Publication, New Delhi, 2012

CC-7 : LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN INDIA 6 Credits Total Classes : 60

1. 73rd Amendment Act and its implications for rural local-self Government in India.
2. 74th Amendment Act and its implications for urban local-self Government in India.
3. Rural Administration in West Bengal: Panchayati Raj Institutions; Role of BDO.
4. Urban Administration in West Bengal: Municipalities and Municipal Corporations.
5. District Administration: Role of DM, SP & SDO.
6. State Administration in West Bengal: Chief Secretary; Divisional Commissioner;
7. Administrative Reforms in India: Impact of Globalization – RTI, Lokpal and Lokayukta

References

1. SN Jha and PC Mathur, *Decentralisation and Local Politics in India*, Sage, New Delhi (2011)

2. *Pradeep Sachdeva, Local Government In India*
3. *PC Mathur, Decentralization And Local Politics, Sage Publications*
4. *LC Jain, Decentralization In Government, Orient Blackswann.*
5. *Bidyut Chakraborty, Localising Governance In India*
6. *Bidyut Chakraborty, Decentralisation And Local Governance*
7. *Mohit Bhattacharyya, Indian Administration, World Press*
8. *R.N. Prasad, Urban Local-Self Government In India*

Generic Elective (FOR THE STUDENTS OF OTHER DISCIPLINES)

GE-3 : INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT 6 Credits Total Classes : 60

- 1. Ancient Indian Political Thought : Features ; Kautilya's theory of Saptanga and the concept of 'Dandaniti'.**
- 2. Main features of medieval Muslim Political Thought.**
- 3. Rammohun Roy : perception of British Colonial Rule and their role as Modernizers.**
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- 5. Gandhi : Satyagraha; trusteeship**
- 6. Tagore ; State, Society and Nation.**
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3. Varma, V. P., Modern Indian Political Thought (Agra: Lakshmi Narayan Agarwal)
4. Pantham, T and Deutsch, K. L., Political Thought In Modern India (ed.), (New Delhi: Sage Publications)
5. Chakraborty, B and Pandey, R. K., Modern Indian Political Thought, (New Delhi: Sage)

SEC-1 : Legislative Support 2 Credits Total Classes : 30

- 1. Powers and functions of people's representatives at different tiers of governance – Members of Parliament; State Legislative Assemblies.**

- 2. Supporting the legislative process – Law-making procedure, Role of Committees.**
- 3. Reading the budget document – Overview of Budget Process, Role of Parliament in reviewing the Union Budget.**
- 4. Examination of Demands for Grants of Ministries, Working of Ministries.**

Suggested Readings:

1. Madhavan, M.R. & N. Wahi Financing of Election Campaigns PRS, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, 2008. Available at: http://www.prsindia.org/uploads/media/conference/Campaign_finance_brief.pdf
2. Kalra, H. Public Engagement with the Legislative Process PRS, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, 2011. Available at: <http://www.prsindia.org/administrator/uploads/media/Conference%202011/Public%20Engagement%20with%20the%20Legislative%20Process.pdf>
3. Government of India (Lok Sabha Secretariat) Parliamentary Procedures (Abstract Series), 2009. Available at: <http://164.100.47.132/LssNew/abstract/index.aspx>
4. Government of India, (Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs) Legislation, Parliamentary Procedure, 2009. Available at: http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual_English/Chapter/chapter-09.htm
5. Government of India, (Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs) Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Procedure, 2009. Available at: http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual_English/Chapter/chapter-11.htm

OR

SEC-1 : Peace and Conflict Resolution

2 Credits

Total Classes : 30

- 1 International Peace and Conflict Resolution: Basic concepts**
- 2 Theories of International Conflict Resolution: Johan Galtung, Joseph Montville.**
- 3 Cross-border relationships between the world's peaceful and war-torn zones (refugees and forced migration)**
- 4 Current perspective of peace and conflict resolution: Grass-roots level perspective on war and peace**

Suggested Readings:

1. Kriesberg, Louis, *Constructive Conflicts: From Escalation to Resolution* (Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield)
2. Starkey, Boyer, and Wilkenfield, *Negotiating a Complex World* (Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield)
3. Levy, Jack, "Contending Theories of International Conflict: A Levels-of-Analysis Approach" in Crocker et al,

Managing Global Chaos, USIP

4. Galtung, Johan, *There Are Alternatives: Four Roads to Peace and Security* (Nottingham: Spokesman)

SEMESTER-IV

CC-8 : INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

6 Credits

Total Classes : 60

1. Nature and Scope of International Relations; Idealist, Realist, and Neo-Realist approaches in IR.

2. National Power: Concepts and Elements

3. Balance of Power and Collective Security

4. Origin and End of the Cold War

5. Post Cold War global issues: (a) Globalization (b) Human Rights (c) Terrorism

6. Disarmament: NPT, CTBT, and NSG.

7. Foreign Policy and Diplomacy: Concepts, Determinants and Objectives

8. Indian Foreign Policy: Basic Tenets.

References:

1. Coulombis and Wolfe, *Introduction to International Relations* (Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi).
2. Peter Calvocoressi, *World Politics Since 1945* (Longman, London).
3. H. J. Morgenthau, *Politics Among Nations* (Scientific Book Agency, Kolkata).
4. K. J. Holsti, *International Politics : A Framework for Analysis*
5. K. J. Holsti, *International Politics : A Framework for Analysis* (Prentice Hall International)
6. Joseph Frankel, *International Relations in a Changing World*. (Oxford, OUP)
7. J. Bandyopadhyay, *The Making of India's Foreign Policy* (Allied, New Delhi)
8. Appadorai and Rajan, *India's Foreign Policy and Relations* (South Asian Pub., New Delhi)
9. R. Chakraborty, *U.N.O.: A Study in Essentials* (K.P. Bagchi & Co., Kolkata).
10. J. C. Johari, *International Relations and Politics* (New Delhi, South Asian Pub.)
- 11, John Baylis and Steve Smith, *The Globalization Of World Politics*, OUP, 2005.

- 1. Political Sociology and Sociology of Politics: Nature and Scope**
- 2. Political Culture: Meaning, Components and Types; Political Socialization: Meaning, Role and Agencies**
- 3. Political Participation: Meaning and Components**
- 4. Concepts of Power and Authority; Types of Authority**
- 5. Feminism: Meaning, Significance and Different Schools**
- 6. Environment and Politics; Environment Movements: An Overview; Eco-Feminism**
- 7. Religion and Politics; Concept of Secularism**
- 8. State and Civil Society: Media, Society and Politics**

References:

1. T. Bottomore, Political Sociology (New Delhi, B. I. Pub.)
2. A. K. Mukhopadhyay, Political Sociology (K. P. Bagchi, Kolkata).
3. Michael Rush and Phillip Althoff, An Introduction to Political Sociology. (London, Thompson Nelson and Sons)
4. A. Giddens, Sociology (Polity Press, Cambridge)
5. B. Axford and R. Huggins, New Media and Politics. (London, Sage)
6. J. Connolly and G. Smith, Politics and Environment: From Theory to Practice. (London, Routledge) 8
7. Dipankar Gupta, Political Sociology in India (Orient Longman, Delhi)
8. Dipankar Gupta, The Context of Ethnicity (Delhi, C. U. P.)
9. S. Kaviraj and S. Khilnani (ed) , Civil Society : History and Possibilities (Cambridge, CUP)
10. Robin Jeffrey, Media and Modernity: Women, Communications and the State in India (Ranikhet, Permanent Black)
11. Mary Evans, Introducing Contemporary Feminist Thought, (Cambridge, CUP)
12. Harris Barbara, White, Globalization and Insecurity, (Palgrave, New York) Paper -VII

CC-10 : INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

6 Credits Total Classes : 60

- 1. Evolution of international organizations.**
- 2. United Nations: its Emergence; General Assembly and Security Council; Secretariat; Secretary General; International Court of Justice: Composition and Functions**
- 3. Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding Role of the UN.**
- 4. Regional Economic Organizations-APEC & OPEC**
- 5. Regional security organizations-NATO & ARF.**
- 6. Regional Organizations: SAARC and ASEAN, BRICS – Goals and Functioning**

References

Evan Luard, Swords Into Ploughshares

Radharaman Chakraborty, International Organizations

Rumki Basu, The United Nations.

Generic Elective (FOR THE STUDENTS OF OTHER DISCIPLINES)

GE-4 : INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS: 6 Credits Total Classes : 60

- 1.a The Constituent Assembly: its Composition and role**
- b. The Preamble and its Significance**
- 2. (a) Fundamental Rights and Duties (b) Directive Principles of State Policy**
- 3. Nature of Indian Federalism: Centre-States relations – Legislative, Administrative and Financial**
- 4. Union Legislature: Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha – Organization, Functions and Lawmaking Procedures; the Speaker; Procedure of Constitutional Amendment**
- 5. Union Executive: President and Prime Minister: Powers and functions; Governor and Chief Minister: Powers and function**
- 6. Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Composition and Functions;**
- 7. Party System in India: Features and Trends; Coalition Governments**
- 8. Electoral Process: Election Commission – Composition and Functions; Electoral Reforms**

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2. Kashyap, S. C., *Our Constitution* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
3. Kashyap, S.C., *Our Political System* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
4. Hiregowder, G. C. et al., *The Indian Constitution: An Introduction*, (New Delhi: Orient Black Swan)
5. Johari, J. C., *Indian Government and Politics*, Vol. 1 and 2 (New Delhi: Vikash Publication)
6. Khosla, Madhab, *The Indian Constitution* (New Delhi: Oxford)

SEC-2: Public Opinion and Survey Research 2 Credits Total Classes 30

- 1. Definition and Characteristics of Public Opinion**
- 2 Measuring Public Opinion: Methods and Types of Sampling**
- 3 Interviewing: Types- structured, unstructured, focused**
- 4 Questionnaire: Question wording; fairness and clarity**
- 5 Prediction in polling research: possibilities and pitfalls**

Suggested Readings:

1. R. Erikson and K. Tedin *American Public Opinion*, 8th edition (New York: Pearson Longman Publishers)
2. G. Gallup, *A Guide to Public Opinion Polls* (Princeton: Princeton University Press)
3. Kothari, C. R., *Research Methodology* (New Delhi: PHI)
4. Ahuja, Ram, *Research Methods* (New Delhi: Rawat Publications)

OR

SEC-2 : Democratic Awareness Through Legal Literacy 2 Credits Total Classes 30

- 1 Constitution – fundamental rights, fundamental duties, other constitutional rights**
- 2 Laws relating to dowry, sexual harassment and violence against women – laws relating to consumer rights and cyber crimes**
- 3 Anti-terrorist laws: Implication for security and human rights**
- 4 System of courts/ tribunals and their jurisdiction in India – criminal and civil courts, writ jurisdiction, specialized courts such as juvenile courts, Mahila courts and tribunals**
- 5 Alternate dispute such as lokadalats, non-formal mechanisms**

Suggested Readings:

1. Basu, D. D, *Introduction to the Constitution of India*(Nagpur: Lexis Nexis)
2. Kashyap, S, *Our Constitution*, (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
3. Gender Study Group, (1996) *Sexual Harassment in Delhi University*, A Report, Delhi: University of Delhi.
4. D. Srivastva, (2007) 'Sexual Harassment and Violence against Women in India: Constitutional and Legal Perspectives', in C. Kumar and K. Chockalingam (eds) *Human Rights, Justice, and Constitutional Empowerment*, Delhi: Oxford University Press.
5. J. Kothari, (2005) 'Criminal Law on Domestic Violence', *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 40(46), pp. 4843-4849.

SEMESTER-V

CC-11 : SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN INDIA 6 Credits Total Classes 60

1. Social Movements: Definition; Distinction between "new" and "old" social movements

2. Positive discrimination and Dalit movements (Panthers) in India

3. Trade Union movements in India: an overview of strength and weaknesses.

4. Peasant movements in India: Case Study (Telengana and Tebhaga)

5. Women's movements in India: key issues

6. Environmental Movements in India: Chipko, Narmada Bachao Andolan.

Suggested Readings:

1. Shah, Ghanshyam, *Social Movements in India: A Review of Literature* (New Delhi: Sage)
2. Shah, Ghanshyam, *Social Movements and the State* (New Delhi: Sage)
3. Ray, Raka and Katzenstein, Mary Fainsod, *Social Movements in India: Poverty, Power, and Politics*, (Rowman and Littlefield Publishers)
4. Singh, A. P., *Development Process and Social Movements in Contemporary India*(Pinnacle Learning)
5. Kumar, Bijendra, *Social Movement in Modern India*(DPS Publishing House)
6. Joshi, Sarat. C., *Contemporary Social Mobility and Social Movements: Views and Reviews* (Akansha Publication)

7. Banerjee, Parthasarathi, "Land Acquisition and Peasant Resistance at Singur", *Economic and Political Weekly*

November 18, 2006. Available at: <http://sanhati.com/wp-content/uploads/2007/03/acquisitionsingur.pdf>

CC-12 : ELEMENTARY RESEARCH METHODS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

6 Credits Total Classes 60

1.a. Meaning and Objective of social science research

b. Theoretical foundations of research: A brief outline of Positivism, Post-Positivism, and their critiques.

2. Methodology of research: Qualitative and Quantitative

3. Vocabulary of research: Concept, Variable, Proposition, Hypothesis, Theory

4. Components of Research Design: Problemation, Hypothesis formulation, Data collection, and testing of hypothesis.

5. Major methods and techniques of Data Collection: Survey method, Interview, and Case study

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1. CR Kothari-Research Methods in Politics
2. Peter Burnham et al, Research Methods In Politics, Palgrave Macmillan
3. Roger Price, Research Methods in Politics, Sage Publications
4. Michael KL Roy, Research Methods In Political Science, Wadsworth Publications
5. KamaIndu- Samajik Gobeshona Podhyoti(Bengali)

DSE-1 : SELECT COMPARATIVE POLITICAL THOUGHT 6 Credits Total Classes 60

1 Distinctive features of Indian and Western political thought

2 . Indian Thought: Thinkers and Themes

a) Kautilya on State

b) Tilak and Gandhi on Swaraj

c) Ambedkar on Social Justice

d) Nehru and Jayaprakash Narayan on Democracy

3. Western Thought: Thinkers and Themes

a) Aristotle on Citizenship

b) Locke on Rights

c) Rousseau on inequality

d) J. S. Mill on liberty and democracy

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1. G. H. Sabine, *A History of Political Theory* (USA: Wadsworth Publishing Co Inc.)
2. S. Mukherjee and S. Ramaswamy, *A History of Political Thought* (New Delhi: PHI)
3. Shefali Jha, *Western Political Thought* (Delhi: Pearson)
4. Altekar, A.S., *State and Government in Ancient India* (Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass)
5. Varma, V. P., *Modern Indian Political Thought* (Agra: Lakshmi Narayan Agarwal)
6. Pantham, T and Deutsch, K. L., *Political Thought In Modern India (ed.)*, (New Delhi: Sage Publications)
7. Chakraborty, B and Pandey, R. K., *Modern Indian Political Thought*, (New Delhi: Sage)
8. Singh, M. P. and Roy, H, *Indian Political Thought: Themes and Thinkers*, (New Delhi: Pearson)

OR

DSE-1 : ADVANCED POLITICAL THEORY 6 Credits Total Classes 60

1. Contemporary trends in political theory-Divide and resurgence.

2. Concept and Basic Features :

a. Libertarianism

b. Multiculturalism

c. Post-Modernism.

3. a. Nozick-entitlement theory and minimal state

b. Amartya Sen -concept of justice

4. a. Post-Colonialism-basic features

b. Orientalism-basic features.

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1. Sushila Ramasawamy-Political Theory-Ideas And Institutions, PHI
2. SP Verma, Modern Political Theory, Vikas Publishing House
3. Terrence Ball, Reappraising Political Theory
4. David Marsh and Gerry Stoker-Theory And Methods in Politics.

DSE - 2 :Democracy and Decentralized Governance 6 Credits Total Classes 60

- 1 Evolution of the state system and the concept of sovereignty.
- 2 Global Economy: Bretton Woods institutions(WORLD BANK, IMF) and W.T.O.
3. Transnational economic actors-Role of MNC s.
4. Global Poverty: Sustainable Development Goal.
5. Dynamics of Civil Society: New Social Movements and Various interests, Role of NGOs.

Suggested Readings:

1. Chakrabarty, Bidyut and Bhattacharya, Mohit (eds.), *The Governance Discourse* (New Delhi: Oxford)
2. Smith, B.C., *Good Governance and Development* (Palgrave)
3. Evans, J. P., *Environmental Governance* (Routledge)
4. Rosenau, J. and Czempiel, E., (eds.) *Governance without Government: Order and Change in World Politics* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press)
5. Mander, H. and Asif, M., *Good Governance* (Bangalore: Books for Chance)

OR

DSE-2 :UNDERSTANDING GOOD GOVERNANCE 6 Credits Total Classes 60

1. Meaning and evolution of the concept.
2. Good governance – Basic components
3. Forms of governance: Concept and Basic Features
 - a. Democratic governance
 - b. E-governance
 - c. corporate governance
4. Global Governance-concept and features.
5. Green governance-concept and features.

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SEMESTER-VI

CC-13 : Indian Foreign Policy

6 Credits Total Classes 60

1. **Key Determinants Of India's Foreign Policy-Geography, Parliament, Cabinet, PMO.**
2. **India's Foreign Policy towards her neighbours; Recent engagement with Pakistan, Bangladesh and Nepal, Bhutan**
3. **India and the major powers-USA, China, Russia**
4. **Recent trends in India's Foreign Policy.**

Suggested Readings:

1. Dubey, M, *India's Foreign Policy* (New Delhi: Orient Black Swan)
2. Dutt, Sagarika, *India in a Globalized World*, (Manchester: Manchester University Press)
3. Malone, David M. and others, *Oxford Handbook of India's Foreign Policy*, (Oxford University Press)
4. C Raja Mohan, *Modi's World-Expanding India's Sphere Of Influence*, (Harper Collins)

CC-14 : Contemporary Issues in India 6 Credits Total Classes 60

1. **Caste System in India – Its changing nature and dynamics.**
2. **Women – Discrimination and violence against women..**
3. **Secularism and Communalism**
4. **Political Economy of Poverty and Inequality**
5. **Rights of Persons With Disabilities (PWDs) in India.**
6. **Social Backwardness and Protective Discrimination**
7. **Disaster Risk Reduction and Development Planning**

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Balakrishnan, P. Economic Growth and its Distribution in India. Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan, 2005.

Vinayak, Achin and Rajeev Bhargava.Understanding Contemporary India, Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan, 2010.

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Kothari, Rajni. Caste in Indian Politics. New Delhi: Orient Longman, 1970.

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King, Robert D. Nehru and the Language Politics of India. New Delhi: OUP, 1997.

Hasan, Zoya. Parties and Party Politics in India. New Delhi: OUP, 2004. Dhawan, Rajeev, ed. Law and Society in Modern India. New Delhi: OUP, 1997.

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Kohli, Atul.TheState and Poverty in India: the Politics of Reform. Cambridge: CUP, 1987.

Jaffrelot, Christophe. The Hindu Nationalist Movement and Indian Politics 1925 to 1990s. New Delhi: Penguin, 1999.

DSE - 3 : Public Policy : Concept And Implications In India 6 Credits

Total Classes 60

- 1. Public Policy: Meaning, elements and actors of public policy making and implementation in India.**
- 2. Public Policy in India since independence: An overview**
- 3. Constraints of Public Policy: Economic, Political and Socio-Cultural**
- 4. Public Health Policy in India with special reference to NRHM**
- 5. Public Education Policy in India special reference to Sarba Sikshya Abhijan**

Suggested Readings:

1. Dye, Thomas, *Understanding Public Policy*, Pearson Education, Singapore.
2. Rathod, P.B, *Framework of Public Policy : The Discipline and its Dimensions*, Commonwealth Publishers, New Delhi
3. R. K. Sapru, *Public Policy*, Sterling Publishers, New Delhi
4. Galtung, Johan, *There Are Alternatives: Four Roads to Peace and Security*, Nottingham (Spokesman)
5. De, Prabir Kumar, *Public Policy and Systems* (Delhi: Pearson)

OR

DSE-3 : Local Government in West Bengal 6 Credits Total Classes 60

- 1. Evolution of Rural and Urban local government in West Bengal since independence**
- 2. Structure and functions of Panchayati Raj Institutions in the light of the West Bengal Panchayat Act, 1973. (as amended up to date)**
- 3. Structure and functions of urban local governments in the light of the West Bengal Municipal Act, 1993.**
- 4. Local Government and empowerment of Women, SCs, and STs.**
- 5. State-Local Government Relations: Financial control of the State.**

Suggested Readings:

1. Chakraborty, Biswanath, *People's Participation in West Bengal Panchayat System*, (Kolkata: Mitram)
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DSE-4 : Understanding Globalization

6 Credits

Total Classes 60

1. Globalization: Meaning and debates
2. Impact of Globalization on Indian Economy
3. Globalization and Terrorism
4. Globalization and new international order
5. Globalization and Localization: Dimensions of cultural change

Suggested Readings:

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3. Keohane, Robert and Nye, Joseph S., *Globalisation: What is new, what is not*
4. O'Meara, Patrick and others, *Globalization and the Challenges of a New Century: A Reader*, Indiana University Press

OR

DSE-4 : Political Economy Of International Relations

2 Credits

Total Classes 30

1. Major approaches to the study of Political Economy of IR-Robert Gilpin
2. Evolution of the global trade regime-The World Bank, IMF and The GATT
3. From the GATT to The WTO
4. WTO –institutional structure and method of functioning
5. WTO and developing countries.
6. Trends in global Trade and Finance

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2. Rorden Wilkinson, *The WTO : Crisis And The Governance Of Global Trade*, Routledge
3. DM Mithani, *Economics Of Global Trade And Finance*, Himalaya Publishing House.
4. Arnd Steven, *Evolving Patterns in Global trade And Finance*, World Scierntific Publishing Company

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