

**DRAFT SYLLABUS FOR 4YEARS U.G. COURSE
with Semester System**

**Subject: Political Science
(Under Graduate)
[AS PER NEP,2020]**



SESSION: 2023-2024

**UNIVERSITY OF GOUR BANGA
MOKDUMPUR, MALDA,
WEST BENGAL, INDIA
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Discipline: POLITICAL SCIENCE

Abbreviations:

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR COURSE= MC, Minor Core = MnC, **Interdisciplinary/ Multidisciplinary Course= IDC/MDC**
Ability Enhancement Compulsory =AEC, Skill Enhancement Course=SEC, **Value Addition course= VAC**, Discipline Specific Elective= DSE, Internal Assessment= IA, End Semester Examination= ESE, Lecture=Lec., Tutorial=Tu. and Practical =Pr.

Draft Structure of the Syllabus

SEMESTER – I

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of teaching hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr
101-PLSH-MC-1	Constitutional Government and Democracy in India	4	10	40	50	3	1	-
102-PLSH- MC-2	Political Process in India	4	10	40	50	3	1	-
103- (IDC)/(MDC) **	MDC -1	3	10	40	50	2	1	-
104- MnC 1	Constitutional Government and Democracy in India	4	10	40	50	3	1	-
105 -AEC1	MIL-1	2	--	25	25	1	1	-
106- Skill Enhancement Course (SEC) #	Legislative Practices, Procedures and Democratic Awareness in India	3	10	40	50	3	1	-
107- Value Addition course (VAC)	Environmental Studies	2	--	25	25	3	1	-
Total =		22	50	250	300	18	7	-

Students will opt SEC related to their Major Course.

SEMESTER – II

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of teaching hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr
201-PLSH-MC-3	Understanding Political Theory	4	10	40	50	3	1	-
202-PLSH- MC-4	Political Theory-Concepts and Debates	4	10	40	50	3	1	-
203- (IDC)/(MDC) **	MDC -2	3	10	40	50	2	1	-
204- MnC2	Understanding Political Theory	4	10	40	50	3	1	-
205 -AEC2	MIL-2	2	--	25	25	1	1	-
206- Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)	Legislative Practices, Procedures and Democratic Awareness in India	3	10	40	50	3	1	-
207-Value Addition course (VAC)	Choose one from pool of Courses	2	--	25	25	3	1	-
Total =		22	50	250	300	18	7	-

Student on exit shall be awarded Under Graduate Certificate (in the Field of Study/Discipline) after securing the requisite 44 Credits in Semesters I and II after completion of Summer Internship (2) Optional*

Question Pattern & Marks Distribution for Major Course(MC), Minor Core (MnC), SEC

Full Marks= 50 , ESE=40 Marks & I.A.= 10 Marks

1. 15 X 2 = 30 marks, Essay Type (Attempt only Two Questions out of four)
2. 05 X 2 =10 marks, Short essay Type. (Attempt only Two Questions out of four)
3. Internal Assessment = 10 Marks (Attendance= 04Marks & Continuing Evaluation/Test=06Marks)

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Semester - I

MAJOR COURSE

Major Course (MC) – 1: Constitutional Government and Democracy in India

I. The Constituent Assembly and the Constitution (16 lectures)

- a. Philosophy of the Constitution, the Preamble, and Features of the Constitution (2 weeks or 8 lectures)
- b. Fundamental Rights and duties, Directive Principles (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

II. Organs of Government (20 lectures)

- a. The Legislature: Parliament and State Legislatures (1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)
- b. The Executive: President, Prime Minister, Governor and Chief Minister(2 weeks or 8 lectures)
- c. The Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts, Judicial Activism and Public Interest Litigation(1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)

III. Federalism and Decentralization (12 lectures)

- a. Federalism: Division of Powers, Centre-State Relations,
- b. Emergency Provisions, Fifth and Sixth Schedules (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

Major Course (MC)– 2: Political Process in India

I. Political Parties and the Party System (1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)

Trends in the Party System; From the Congress System to Multi-Party Coalitions

II. Determinants of Voting Behaviour (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

Caste, Class, Gender and Religion

III. Regional Aspirations (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

The Politics of Secession and Accommodation

IV. Religion and Politics (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

Debates on Secularism; Minority and Majority Communalism

V. Caste and Politics (1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)

Caste in Politics and the Politicization of Caste, Issue of Reservation

VI. Affirmative Action Policies (1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)

Women, Caste and Class

VII. The Changing Nature of the Indian State (1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)

Developmental, Welfare and Coercive Dimensions, Electoral Process: Election Commission: Composition, functions and role – electoral reforms, Constitutional Amendment.

READING LIST:

I. The Constituent Assembly and the Constitution

a. Philosophy of the Constitution, the Preamble, and Features of the Constitution

Essential Readings:

- G. Austin, (2010) 'The Constituent Assembly: Microcosm in Action', in *The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 15th print, pp.1-25.
R. Bhargava, (2008) 'Introduction: Outline of a Political Theory of the Indian Constitution', in R. Bhargava (ed.) *Politics and Ethics of the Indian Constitution*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 1-40.

Additional Reading:

- D. Basu, (2012) *Introduction to the Constitution of India*, New Delhi: Lexis Nexis.
S. Chaube, (2009) *The Making and Working of the Indian Constitution*, Delhi: National Book Trust.
A.P. Singh. *Constitutional Government and Democracy in India*, 1e Pearson

b. Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles

Essential Readings:

- G. Austin, (2000) 'The Social Revolution and the First Amendment', in *Working a Democratic Constitution*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 69-98.
A. Sibal, (2010) 'From Niti to Nyaya,' *Seminar*, Issue 615, pp 28-34.

Additional Reading:

- The Constitution of India: Bare Act with Short Notes*, (2011) New Delhi: Universal, pp.4-16.

II. Organs of Government

a. The Legislature: Parliament

Essential Readings:

- B. Shankar and V. Rodrigues, (2011) 'The Changing Conception of Representation: Issues, Concerns and Institutions', in *The Indian Parliament: A Democracy at Work*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 105-173.
V. Hewitt and S. Rai, (2010) 'Parliament', in P. Mehta and N. Jayal (eds.) *The Oxford Companion to Politics in India*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 28-42.

b. The Executive: President and Prime Minister

Essential Readings:

- J. Manor, (2005) 'The Presidency', in D. Kapur and P. Mehta P. (eds.) *Public Institutions in India*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.105-127.
J. Manor, (1994) 'The Prime Minister and the President', in B. Dua and J. Manor (eds.) *Nehru to the Nineties: The Changing Office of the Prime Minister in India*, Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, pp. 20-47.
H. Khare, (2003) 'Prime Minister and the Parliament: Redefining Accountability in the Age of Coalition Government', in A. Mehra and G. Kueck (eds.) *The Indian Parliament: A Comparative Perspective*, New Delhi: Konark, pp. 350-368.

c. The Judiciary: Supreme Court

Essential Readings:

- U. Baxi, (2010) 'The Judiciary as a Resource for Indian Democracy', *Seminar*, Issue 615, pp.61-67.
R. Ramachandran, (2006) 'The Supreme Court and the Basic Structure Doctrine' in B. Kirpalet.al (eds.) *Supreme but not Infallible: Essays in Honour of the Supreme Court of India*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 107-133.

Additional Readings:

- L. Rudolph and S. Rudolph, (2008) 'Judicial Review Versus Parliamentary Sovereignty', in

Explaining Indian Institutions: A Fifty Year Perspective, 1956-2006: Volume 2: The Realm of Institutions: State Formation and Institutional Change. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 183-210.

III. Federalism and Decentralization

a. Federalism: Division of Powers, Emergency Provisions, Fifth and Sixth Schedules

Essential Readings:

Decentralisation and Local Governments: The Indian Experience by T. R. Raghunandan : Orient Blackswan

M. Singh, and R. Saxena (eds.), (2011) 'Towards Greater Federalization,' in *Indian Politics: Constitutional Foundations and Institutional Functioning*, Delhi: PHI Learning Private Ltd., pp.166-195.

V. Marwah, (1995) 'Use and Abuse of Emergency Powers: The Indian Experience', in B. Arora and D. Verney (eds.) *Multiple Identities in a Single State: Indian Federalism in a Comparative Perspective*, Delhi: Konark, pp. 136-159.

B. Sharma, (2010) 'The 1990s: Great Expectations'; 'The 2000s: Disillusionment Unfathomable', in *Unbroken History of Broken Promises: Indian State and Tribal People*, Delhi: Freedom Press and Sahyog Pustak Kuteer, pp. 64-91.

The Constitution of India: Bare Act with Short Notes, (2011) New Delhi: Universal, pp 192-213.

Additional Readings:

R. Dhavan and R. Saxena, (2006) 'The Republic of India', in K. Roy, C. Saunders and J. Kincaid(eds.) *A Global Dialogue on Federalism*, Volume 3, Montreal: Queen's University Press, pp.166-197.

R. Manchanda, (2009) *The No Nonsense Guide to Minority Rights in South Asia*, Delhi: Sage Publications, pp. 105-109.

b. Panchayati Raj and Municipalities

Essential Readings:

P. deSouza, (2002) 'Decentralization and Local Government: The Second Wind of Democracy in India', in Z. Hasan, E. Sridharan and R. Sudarshan (eds.) *India's Living Constitution: Ideas, Practices and Controversies*, New Delhi: Permanent Black, pp. 370-404.

M. John, (2007) 'Women in Power? Gender, Caste and Politics of Local Urban Governance', in *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 42(39), pp. 3986-3993.

Raghunandan, J. R (2012) *Decentralization and local governments: The Indian Experience*, Orient Black Swan, New Delhi

Baviskar, B.S and George Mathew (eds) 2009 *Inclusion and Exclusion in local governance: Field Studies from rural India*, New Delhi, Sage

READING LIST

I. Political Parties and the Party System: Trends in the Party System; From the Congress System to Multi-Party Coalitions

Essential Readings:

R. Kothari, (2002) 'The Congress System', in Z. Hasan (ed.) *Parties and Party Politics in India*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp 39-55.

E. Sridharan, (2012) 'Introduction: Theorizing Democratic Consolidation, Parties and Coalitions', in *Coalition Politics and Democratic Consolidation in Asia*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Additional Reading:

Y. Yadav and S. Palshikar, (2006) 'Party System and Electoral Politics in the Indian States, 1952-2002: From Hegemony to Convergence', in P. deSouza and E. Sridharan (eds.) *India's Political Parties*, New Delhi: Sage Publications, pp. 73-115.

II. Determinants of Voting Behaviour: Caste, Class, Gender and Religion

Essential Readings:

Y. Yadav, (2000) 'Understanding the Second Democratic Upsurge', in F. Frankel, Z. Hasan, and R. Bhargava (eds.) *Transforming India: Social and Political Dynamics in Democracy*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 120-145.

C. Jaffrelot, (2008) 'Why Should We Vote? The Indian Middle Class and the Functioning of World's Largest Democracy', in *Religion, Caste and Politics in India*, Delhi: Primus, pp. 604-619.

R. Deshpande, (2004) 'How Gendered was Women's Participation in Elections 2004?', *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 39, No. 51, pp. 5431-5436.

S. Kumar, (2009) 'Religious Practices Among Indian Hindus,' *Japanese Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 10, No. 3, pp. 313-332.

III. Regional Aspirations: The Politics of Secession and Accommodation

Essential Readings:

M. Chadda, (2010) 'Integration through Internal Reorganisation', in S. Baruah (ed.) *Ethnonationalism in India: A Reader*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 379-402.

P. Brass, (1999) 'Crisis of National Unity: Punjab, the Northeast and Kashmir', in *The Politics of India Since Independence*, New Delhi: Cambridge University Press and Foundation Books, pp.192-227.

IV. Religion and Politics: Debates on Secularism: Minority and Majority Communalism

Essential Readings:

T. Pantham, (2004) 'Understanding Indian Secularism: Learning from its Recent Critics', in R. Vora and S. Palshikar (eds.) *Indian Democracy: Meanings and Practices*, New Delhi: Sage, pp.235-256.

N. Menon and A. Nigam, (2007) 'Politics of Hindutva and the Minorities', in *Power and Contestation: India since 1989*, London: Fernwood Publishing, Halifax and Zed Books, pp.36-60.

Additional Reading:

N. Chandhoke, (2010) 'Secularism', in P. Mehta and N. Jayal (eds.) *The Oxford Companion to Politics in India*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 333-346.

V. Caste and Politics: Caste in Politics and the Politicization of Caste

Essential Readings:

R. Kothari, (1970) 'Introduction', in *Caste in Indian Politics*, Delhi: Orient Blackswan, pp.3-25.

Surinder S. Jodhka and James Manor Contested Hierarchies, Persisting Influence: Caste and Power in Twenty-first Century India: Orient Blackswan

M. Weiner, (2001) 'The Struggle for Equality: Caste in Indian Politics', in Atul Kohli (ed.) *The Success of India's Democracy*, New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, pp. 193-225.

G. Omvedt, (2002) 'Ambedkar and After: The Dalit Movement in India', in G. Shah (ed.) *Social Movements and the State*, New Delhi: Sage Publications, pp. 293-309.

VI. Affirmative Action Policies: Women, Caste and Class

Essential Readings:

R. Kothari, (1970) 'Introduction', in *Caste in Indian Politics*, Delhi: Orient Blackswan

M. Galanter, (2002) 'The Long Half-Life of Reservations', in Z. Hasan, E. Sridharan and R. Sudarshan (eds.) *India's Living Constitution: Ideas, Practices, Controversies*, New Delhi: Permanent Black, pp. 306-318.

C. Jaffrelot, (2005) 'The Politics of the OBCs', in *Seminar*, Issue 549, pp. 41-45.

M. John, (2011) 'The Politics of Quotas and the Women's Reservation Bill in India', in M. Tsujimura and J. Steele (eds.) *Gender Equality in Asia*, Japan: Tohoku University Press, pp. 169-195.

VII. Changing Nature of the Indian State: Developmental, Welfare and Coercive Dimensions

Essential Readings:

S. Palshikar, (2008) 'The Indian State: Constitution and Beyond', in R. Bhargava (ed.) *Politics and Ethics of the Indian Constitution*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 143-163.

R. Deshpande, (2005) 'State and Democracy in India: Strategies of Accommodation and Manipulation', Occasional Paper, Series III, No. 4, Special Assistance Programme, Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Pune.

M. Mohanty, (1989) 'Duality of the State Process in India: A Hypothesis', *Bhartiya Samajik Chintan*, Vol. XII (1-2)

Additional Readings:

T. Byres, (1994) 'Introduction: Development Planning and the Interventionist State Versus Liberalization and the Neo-Liberal State: India, 1989-1996', in T. Byres (ed.) *The State, Development Planning and Liberalization in India*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1994, pp.1-35.

A. Verma, (2007) 'Police Agencies and Coercive Power', in S. Ganguly, L. Diamond and M. Plattner (eds.) *The State of India's Democracy*, Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press, pp.130-139.

Recommended Readings:

1. Constitution of India (Latest Edition) (Govt. of India Publications).
2. Indian constitution (Board of Editors), Orient Blackswan
3. Caste in Indian Politics –Rajani Kothari, Orient Blackswan.
4. The Problem of Caste -Satish Deshpande, Orient Blackswan.
5. India's Living Constitution: Ideas, Practices, Controversies, Zoya Hasan, Permanent Black
6. Indian Constitution, M.V. Pylee, S.Chand Publications
7. Constitutional Government in India, M.V. Pylee, S.Chand Publications
8. Constitutional History of India, M.V. Pylee, S.Chand Publications
9. Constitutional Government and Democracy in India, 1e by A.P.Singh, Pearson
10. Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude in Governance 2e- Ranvijay Upadhyay, S.Chand Publications
11. Indian Polity and Governance, Nitin Shivhare, S.Chand Publications
12. Indian Administration, R.K. Saprú, SAGE.
13. D. D. Basu, An Introduction to the Constitution of India (Prentice Hall, New Delhi).
14. Ramesh Thakur, The Government and Politics of India (Macmillan, London).
15. J. C. Johari, Indian Government and Politics (2 vols.) (Vishal Pub., Delhi).
16. P. R. Brass, The Politics of India Since Independence (Foundation Books, Delhi).
17. S. Kaviraj (ed.), Politics in India (Oxford University Press, Delhi).
18. J. Hasan (ed), Politics and the State (Sage).
19. J. R. Siwach, Dynamics of Indian Government and Politics (Sterling Publication, New Delhi).
20. R. Kothari, Politics in India (Orient Blackswan New Delhi).
21. Atul Kohli (ed), The Successes of India's Democracy (C.U.P. Cambridge).
22. P. Chatterjee, State and Politics in India (O.U.P., Delhi).
23. G. Noorani, Constitutional Question in India (Oxford University Press, New Delhi).
24. W. H. Morris Jones, The Government and Politics of India (BI Publications, New Delhi).
25. R. L. Hardgrave & L.S. Kochanek, India: Government and Politics in a Developing Nation (Harcourt Brace and World, New York, U.S.A.)
26. S. C. Kashyap (ed), Perspectives on the Constitution.
27. Politics and Ethics of Indian Constitution, UP, 2008 –Rajeev Bhargava.
28. The Politics of India since Independence, Houghton Mifflin Company –Paul
29. Forging Powers: Coalition Politics in India, OUP, 2008 –Bidyut Chackraborty.
30. State and Social Movements in India - Joya Hassan (Ed), 2001
31. State and Politics in India, oxford University Press - 1998 – Partha Chatterjee.
32. The Government and Politics in India, universal, New Delhi, 1987 –Morris Jones.
33. Rethinking Indian Federalism, Indian Institute of Advanced Study, -Rasheeduddin Khan, 1997.

34. Politics in India –Rajani Kothari.
35. Religion, Caste, Gender and Culture in Contemporary India- T, V. Satyamurthy (Ed), 1998.
36. Communalism in Modern India –Bipan Chandra.
37. India after Independence –Bipan Chandra.
38. Secularism and its Crisis –Rajeev Bhargava.
39. Politics in India –Sudipta Kabiraj.
40. Crisis and Change in Contemporary India –Upendra Baxi and Bikhu Parekh.
41. Regionalism in Indian Politics –Bharati Mukherjee.
42. Regionalism in Indian Politics –Pravat Datta.
43. Tribal Development: Jitendra Sahoo and Niranjana Pani.
44. Indian Administration: S.R. Maheswari, Orient Blackswan
45. Indian Administration: Bishnu Bhagawan & Vidya Bhusan, S.Chand
46. Indian Government and Politics: B.L.Fadia
47. Indian Government and Politics: S.L.Sikri
48. Indian Government and Politics: K.K.Ghai
49. Indian Politics Constitutional Foundations and Institutional Functioning, 3rd ed.:M.P.Singh& Rekha Saxena, PHI Learning Pvt. Ltd.
50. Indian Administration: S.K.Chatterjee
51. Evolution of Indian Administration: B.N.Puri
52. District Administration in India: T.N.Chaturvedi
53. Government and Politics in India: W.H. MorrisJones
54. Indian Administration: H.R. Mukhi
55. State and Politics in India: Partha Chatterjee
56. Politics in India: Sudipta Kabiraj
57. Our Parliament: Subhas C. Kashyap
58. Our Constitution: Subhas C. Kashyap
59. Introduction to the Constitution of India: Brij Kishore Sharma, PHI Learning Pvt. Ltd.
60. Indian Administration Evolution and Practice: Bidyut Chakrabarty and Prakash Chand, SAGE
61. Indian Government and Politics, Bidyut Chakrabarty and Rajendra Kumar Pandey, SAGE
62. Indian Federalism: The Recent Experiences: Jitendra Sahoo(Ed),Levant Books.
63. Restructuring Indian Federation: Jitendra Sahoo(Ed.), New Academic Publishers
64. Federalizing India in the Age of Globalization, M.P. Singh & Rekha Saxena, Primus Books.
65. Governance: Shivani Singh
66. Rethinking Good Governance, Vinod Rai, Rupa Publications
67. Governance, Issues and Challenges, Abhay Prasad Singh and Krishna Murari, Pearson
68. Governance in South Asia, K.S. Chalam, SAGE.
69. Indian Government and Politics, Peu Ghosh, PHI Learning Pvt. Ltd.
৭০. হিমাংশু ঘোষ, ভারতেরশাসনব্যবস্থা ও রাজনীতি (ক্যালকাটা বুক সিডিকিট, কলকাতা)।
৭১. আচার্যদুর্গাদাস বসু, ভার-তরসংবিধান, (নতুন দিল্লি :Lexis Nexis Publishers, ২০১৫)
৭২. অমলকুমারমুখোপাধ্যায়, ভারতেরসংবিধান পরিক্রমা, (কলকাতা :শ্রীধরপাবলিশার্স, ২০১৬)
৭৩. সুভাষ সি কাশ্যপ, আমা-দরসংবিধান, (নতুন দিল্লি :ন্যাশনালবুক ট্রাস্ট, ১৯৯৬)
৭৪. অমলকুমারমুখোপাধ্যায়, ভার-তরসংবিধান-নরসহজপাঠ, (কলকাতা :প্রগতিশীলপাবলিশার্স, ২০১২)
৭৫. মলয়ব্যানার্জী, ভারতীয়রাজনীতির সাম্প্রতিকপ্রবনতা, (কলকাতা : বিজয়া পাবলিশিংহাউস, ২০১৩)
৭৬. হিমাচল চক্রবর্তী ও অশোকসরকার ও গৌরিশংকরনাগ, ভারতেরশাসনব্যবস্থা ও রাজনীতি, (কলকাতা : -দ বুককনসার্ন, ২০১২)
৭৭. শিবাজী প্রতিম বসু (সম্পাদিত) ভারতীয়রাজনীতির প্রমুখ দিকগুলি, (কলকাতা :পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ২০১৯)
৭৮. অনাদিকুমারমহাপাত্র, ভারতেরশাসনব্যবস্থা ও রাজনীতি, (কলকাতা : সুহৃদপাবলিকেশন , ২০১৯)
৭৯. অসিতকুমার বসু পশ্চিমবঙ্গে পঞ্চায়েত ব্যবস্থা, (কলকাতা :পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ২০১০)

৮০. বিশ্বনাথ চক্রবর্তী, স্থানীয়সরকার : ধারণা সাংগঠনিক ভিত্তি ও বিভিন্ন দৃষ্টিভঙ্গি, (কলকাতা :প্রগতিশীলপাবলিশার্স, ২০০৮)
৮১. নির্মলকান্তি ঘোষ ও পিতম ঘোষ, ভারতেরশাসনব্যবস্থা ও রাজনীতি।
৮২. নিমাইপ্রামাণিক, ভারতীয়শাসনব্যবস্থা ও রাজনীতির রূপরেখা (ছায়া প্রকাশনী, কলকাতা)।

Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)

SEC-1: LEGISLATIVE PRACTICES, PROCEDURES AND DEMOCRATIC AWARENESS IN INDIA (3 Credits)

I. Powers and functions of people's representative at different tiers of governance (6 Lectures)

Members of Parliament, State legislative assemblies, functionaries of rural and urban local Self - government from Zilla Parishad, Municipal Corporation to Panchayat/ward.

II. Supporting the legislative process (2 lectures)

How a bill becomes law, role of the Standing committee in reviewing a bill, legislative Consultants, the framing of rules and regulations.

III. Supporting the Legislative Committees (6 lectures)

Types of committees, role of committees in reviewing government finances, policy, Programmes, and legislation.

IV. Reading the Budget Document (6 lectures)

Overview of Budget Process, Role of Parliament in reviewing the Union Budget, Railway Budget, Examination of Demands for Grants of Ministries, Working of Ministries.

V. Support in media monitoring and communication (4 lectures)

Types of media and their significance for legislators; Basics of communication in print and Electronic media.

READING LIST

I. Powers and functions of people's representative at different tiers of governance

Essential Readings:

M. Madhavan, and N. Wahi, (2008) *Financing of Election Campaigns* PRS, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, Available at:

http://www.prsindia.org/uploads/media/conference/Campaign_finance_brief.pdf,

Accessed: 19.04.2013

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MINOR COURSE (4credits)

(MnC) – 1: Constitutional Government and Democracy in India

I. The Constituent Assembly and the Constitution (16 lectures)

a. Philosophy of the Constitution, the Preamble, and Features of the Constitution (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

b. Fundamental Rights and duties, Directive Principles (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

II. Organs of Government (20 lectures)

a. The Legislature: Parliament and State Legislatures (1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)

b. The Executive: President, Prime Minister, Governor and Chief Minister (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

c. The Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts, Judicial Activism and Public Interest Litigation(1.5 weeks or 6 lectures)

III. Federalism and Decentralization (12 lectures)

a. Federalism: Division of Powers, Centre-State Relations,

b. Emergency Provisions, Fifth and Sixth Schedules (2 weeks or 8 lectures)

Recommended Readings as same as Major Course MC- 1.

SEMESTER-II

MAJOR COURSE

Major Course (MC)– 3: Understanding Political Theory (4 Credits)

I: Introducing Political Theory (40 Lectures)

1. What is Politics: Theorizing the 'Political'
2. Traditions of Political Theory: Liberal, Marxist, Anarchist and Conservative
3. Approaches to Political Theory: Normative, Historical and Empirical
4. Critical and Contemporary Perspectives in Political Theory: Feminist and Postmodern
5. Concept of State Sovereignty: Monistic and Pluralistic Theories – Critiques of Theory of sovereignty: Globalization and crisis of Sovereignty.
6. Political Obligation – Right of Resistance (Locke, Laski, Green and Barker's views)

II: Political Theory and Practice (30 Lectures)

The Grammar of Democracy

1. Democracy: The history of an idea
2. Procedural Democracy and its critique
3. Deliberative Democracy
4. Participatory and Representative Democracy

Major Course (MC)– 4: Political Theory-Concepts and Debates (4 Credits)

Section A: Core Concepts

I. Importance of Freedom (10 Lectures)

- a) Negative Freedom: Liberty
 - b) Positive Freedom: Freedom as Emancipation and Development
- Important Issue:* Freedom of belief, expression and dissent

II. Significance of Equality (12 lectures)

- a) Formal Equality: Equality of opportunity
 - b) Political equality
 - c) Egalitarianism: Background inequalities and differential treatment
- Important Issue:* Affirmative action

III. Indispensability of Justice (12 Lectures)

- a) Procedural Justice
 - b) Distributive Justice
 - c) Global Justice
- Important Issue:* Capital punishment

IV. The Universality of Rights (13 Lectures)

- a) Natural Rights
 - b) Moral and Legal Rights
 - c) Three Generations of Rights
 - d) Rights and Obligations
- Important Issue:* Rights of the girl child

Section B: Major Debates (20 Lectures)

- I. Why should we obey the state? Issues of political obligation and civil disobedience.
- II. Are human rights universal? Issue of cultural relativism.
- III. How do we accommodate diversity in plural society? Issues of multiculturalism and toleration.
- IV. Major debates in Marxism: Lenin – Rosa Luxemburg debate on Party, Stalin – Trotsky debate on Socialism in One Country.

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2. Stephen Wasby, *Political Science: The Discipline and Dimensions*.
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4. N.P. Barry, *Introduction to Modern Political Theory* (Macmillan, London).
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6. R. Dahl, *Modern Political Analysis* (Prentice Hall, Englewood Cliffs NJ).
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14. Political Theory –Eddy Asirvatham and K.K. Misra, S.Chand Publications
15. Principles of Political Science, Anup Chand Kapur, S.Chand Publications
16. Political Theory (Principles of Political Science), R.C. Agarwal, S.Chand Publications
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41. Green Political Thought – A. Dobson.
42. Political Theory -Rajib Bhargawa& Ashok Acharyay (Pearson)
৪৩. দীপককুমারদাস (সম্পাদিত), রাজনীতির তত্ত্বকথা (প্রথম খণ্ড ও দ্বিতীয় খণ্ড), (কলকাতা :প্রকাশনএকুশে, ২০০৬)
৪৪. প্রলয়দেবমুখোপাধ্যায়, রাষ্ট্র ও রাজনীতি তত্ত্ব ও মতবাদিক বিতর্ক, (কলকাতা : বিজয়া পাবলিশিংহাউস, ২০১৬)
৪৫. শোভনলালদত্তগুপ্ত, মার্কসীয় রাষ্ট্রচিন্তা, (কলকাতা :পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ২০১৯)
৪৬. শোভনলালদত্তগুপ্ত ও উৎপল ঘোষ, মার্কসীয়সমাজতত্ত্ব, (কলকাতা :পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ২০১৪)
৪৭. শোভনলালদত্তগুপ্ত (সম্পাদিত), রাষ্ট্রভাবনারতত্ত্বানুসন্ধানরাজনীতি, গণতন্ত্র, নাগরিকত্ব, উত্তরউপনিবেশবাদ, (কলকাতা :পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ২০১৯)
৪৮. শিউলিসরকার ও পায়েল বোস, রাজনৈতিকতত্ত্বপশ্চিম চিন্তাধারা, (কলকাতা :প্রগতিশীলপ্রকাশক, ২০১২)
৪৯. অমর্ত্য -সন, পরিচিতি ও হিংসা, (কলকাতা : আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স, ২০০৬)
৫০. -দবনারায়ণ -মাদক, রাষ্ট্রসমাজরাজনীতি সাম্প্রতিকভাবনা, (কলকাতা :একুশপ্রকাশন, ২০১৮)
৫১. কাশিনাথকয়াল ও তপনকুমার বন্দোপাধ্যায়, প্রসঙ্গ রাজনৈতিকতত্ত্ব, (কলকাতা :প্রগতিশীলপ্রকাশক, ২০১৫)

৫২. হিমাচল চক্রবর্তী, রাষ্ট্রবিজ্ঞান (প্রথমখণ্ড), (কলকাতা : দে বুক কনশার্ন, ২০১৫)
৫৩. কৃত্যপ্রিয় ঘোষ, রাষ্ট্রতত্ত্ব, (কলকাতা : পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, ২০০৬)
৫৪. অমর্ত্য -সন, উন্নয়ন ও স্বক্ষমতা, (কলকাতা : আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স, ২০১৬)
৫৫. অমর্ত্য -সন, নীতি ও ন্যায্যতা, (কলকাতা : আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স, ২০১৬)
৫৬. জন রলস্ ,ন্যায্যতা সম্পর্কিততত্ত্ব, (কলকাতা : এবৎমুশেয়ারা, ২০১২)
৫৭. মার্কসবাদ- সুজিত -সন।
৫৮. আই-ডিন্টিটি ও বিশ্বায়ন - বিপ্লবমাজী ।(দিয়া পাবলি-কশন)।
৫৯. ই-কা-ফমিনিজ, নারীবাদ ও তৃতীয় দুনিয়ারপ্রান্তিক নারী - বিপ্লবমাজী(কোলকাতা অঞ্জলী পাবলিশার্স)।
৬০. উত্তর - আধুনিকতা সম্ভাবনা ও ভবিষ্যৎ - বিপ্লবমাজী (কোলকাতা অঞ্জলী পাবলিশার্স)।
৬১. সাম্প্রদায়িকতা ও ধর্মনির-পক্ষতা :রাজনীতিক ডিস-কার্স - ইয়াসিন খান
৬২. মানবাধীকার :নানা দিক - ইয়াসিন খান (সম্পাদিত) ।

Skill Enhancement Course

SEC-2 Democratic Awareness with Legal Literacy (3 Credits)

Unit-I

- Outline of the Legal system in India
- 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.
- Role of the police and executive in criminal law administration.
- Alternate dispute mechanisms such as lok adalats, non-formal mechanisms.

Unit-II

- Brief understanding of the laws applicable in India
- Constitution-fundamental rights, fundamental duties, other constitutional rights
And their manner of enforcement, with emphasis on public interest litigation and the expansion of certain rights under Article 21 of the Constitution.
- Laws relating to criminal jurisdiction-provision relating to filing an FIR, arrest, bail search and seizure and some understanding of the questions of evidence and procedure in Cr.P.C. and related laws, important offences under the Indian Penal Code, offences against women, juvenile justice, prevention of atrocities on Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.
- Concepts like Burden of Proof, Presumption of Innocence, Principles of Natural Justice, Fair comment under Contempt laws.
- Personal laws in India: Pluralism and Democracy
- Laws relating to contract, property and tenancy laws.
- Laws relating to dowry, sexual harassment and violence against women
- Laws relating to consumer rights
- Laws relating to cybercrimes
- Anti-terrorist laws: implications for security and human rights
- Practical application: Visit to either (i) a court or (ii) a legal aid centre set up by the
- Legal Services Authority or an NGO or (iii) a Lok Adalat, and to interview a litigant or person being counselled. Preparation of a case history.

Unit-III

Access to courts and enforcement of rights

- Critical Understanding of the Functioning of the Legal System
- Legal Services Authorities Act and right to legal aid, ADR systems

Practical application:

- What to do if you are arrested; if you are a consumer with a grievance; if you are a victim of sexual harassment; domestic violence, child abuse, caste, ethnic and religious discrimination; filing a public interest litigation. How can you challenge administrative orders that violate rights, judicial and administrative remedies
- Using a hypothetical case of (for example) child abuse or sexual harassment or any other violation of a right, preparation of an FIR or writing a complaint addressed to the appropriate authority.

Essential Reading

Creating Legal Awareness, edited by Kamala Sankaran and Ujjwal Singh (Delhi: OUP, 2007) Legal literacy: available amongst inter disciplinary courses on Institute of Life Long Learning (Delhi University) Virtual Learning Portal namely vle.du.ac.in

Reading list for course on Legal Literacy

- Multiple Action Research Group, *Our Laws Vols 1-10*, Delhi. Available in Hindi also.
- Indian Social Institute, New Delhi, *Legal Literacy Series Booklets*. Available in Hindi also.
- S.K. Agarwala, *Public Interest Litigation in India*, K.M. Munshi Memorial Lecture, Second Series, Indian Law Institute, Delhi, 1985.
- S.P. Sathe, *Towards Gender Justice*, Research Centre on Women's Studies, SNDT Women's University, Bombay, 1993.
- Asha Bajpai, *Child Rights in India: Law, Policy, and Practice*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2003
- Agnes, Flavia *Law and Gender Equality*, OUP, 1997.
- Sagade, Jaga, *Law of Maintenance: An Empirical Study*, ILS Law College, Pune 1996.
- B.L. Wadhera, *Public Interest Litigation- A Handbook*, Universal, Delhi, 2003.
- Nomita Aggarwal, *Women and Law in India*, New Century, Delhi, 2002.
- P.C. Rao and William Sheffiled *Alternate Dispute Resolution: What it is and How it Works*, Universal Law Books and Publishers, Delhi, 2002
- V.N. Shukla's *Constitution of India* by Mahendra P. Singh, Eastern Book Co. 10th edition 2001.
- Parmanand Singh, 'Access to Justice and the Indian Supreme Court', 10 & 11 Delhi Law Review 156, 1981-82.

MINOR COURSE (4credits)

(MnC) – 2: Understanding Political Theory

I: Introducing Political Theory (40 Lectures)

5. What is Politics: Theorizing the ‘Political’
6. Traditions of Political Theory: Liberal, Marxist, Anarchist and Conservative
7. Approaches to Political Theory: Normative, Historical and Empirical
8. Critical and Contemporary Perspectives in Political Theory: Feminist and Postmodern
5. Concept of State Sovereignty: Monistic and Pluralistic Theories – Critiques of Theory of sovereignty: Globalisation and crisis of Sovereignty.
6. Political Obligation – Right of Resistance (Locke, Laski, Green and Barker’s views)

II: Political Theory and Practice (30 Lectures)

The Grammar of Democracy

4. Democracy: The history of an idea
5. Procedural Democracy and its critique
6. Deliberative Democracy
4. Participatory and Representative Democracy

Recommended Readings as same as Major Course (MC-3).
