

BACHELOR OF ARTS (LIBERAL ARTS)
CORE COURSE (CC): POLITICAL SCIENCE
SEMESTER – IV
(BLAB32404T) INDIAN POLITICAL SYTEM II

MAX. MARKS: 100
INTERNAL: 30
EXTERNAL: 70
PASS: 40%
Credits: 6

Objective:

This course aims to introduce the students to the basic concepts and themes of the discipline of Political Science. It will provide an overview about political science and theory and State and its sovereignty.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

Candidates are required to attempt any two questions each from the sections A, and B of the question paper, and any ten short answer questions from Section C. They have to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

SECTION – A

1. Governor: Appointment, Powers, Position and its Changing Role.
2. State Legislature: Composition, Powers and its Changing Role.
3. Chief Minister and State Council of Ministers: Appointment, Powers, Position and Changing Role
4. State Judiciary: Composition, Powers and Functions of the High Court.
5. The Election Commission: Composition, Powers, Evaluation and Electoral Reforms in India.

SECTION – B

1. Party System in India: Its Features; Organization and Ideology of Indian National Congress, BJP, BSP, SAD, DMK and TMC.
2. Panchayati Raj Institutions: Composition, Powers, Functions with special reference to 73rd Amendment
3. Role of Religion and Caste in Indian Politics.
4. Role of Gender and Regionalism in Indian Politics.
5. Emerging Trends in Indian Politics.

Recommended Readings:

1. G. Austin: The Indian Constitution: Corner Stone of a Nation, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1966
2. G. Austin: Working of a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 2000
3. D.D. Basu: An Introduction to the Constitution of India, New Delhi, Prentice Hall, 1994

4. C.P. Bhambari: The Indian State fifty years, New Delhi, Sipra, 1997
5. P. Brass: Politics of India since Independence, Cambridge University Press, 2003
6. P. Brass: Ethnic Groups and the State, London, Croom Helm, 1995
7. P. Brass: Language, Religion and Politics in North India, London, Cambridge University Press, 1974
8. B.L. Fadia: State Politics in India, Vol. II, New Delhi, Radint Publisher, 1984
9. R. Kothari: State against Democracy: In Search of Human Governance, Delhi, Ajantha, 1988
10. R. Kothari: Politics in India, New Delhi, Orient Longman, 1970
11. R. Kothari: Party System and Election Studies, Bombay, Asia Publishing House, 1967
12. R. Kothari (ed.): Caste in Indian Politics, New Delhi, Orient Longman, Reprint, 2004
13. M.V. Pylee: Constitutional Government in India, Bombay, Asia Publishing House, 1977
14. M.V. Pylee: An Introduction to the Constitution of India, New Delhi, Vikas 1998
15. S.P. Verma and C.P. Bhambari (eds): Election and Political Consciousness in India, Meerut, Meenakshi Parkashan, 1967
16. S.S. Nanda: Indian Political System (English, Hindi and Punjabi)
17. N.K. Jha: India's Foreign Policy in Emerging World, Sonic Asian Publications, New Delhi, 2000.
18. M.S. Rajan: Non-Alignment and Non-Alignment Movement in the present World, Order, Konark, Delhi, 1994.
19. Iqbal Narain (ed): State Politics in India, Meerut, Meenakshi Parkashan, 1967.
20. Nirja Gopal Jayal: Politics in India, New Delhi, OUP, 2010.
21. Laxmikant: Indian Polity, McGraw Hill India, 2016

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