

B.A Political Science  
I st Semester  
Paper - I  
Understanding Political Theory

Unit- I Political Theory

- What is Political Theory, Evolution, Nature , Significance
- Debates on Political Theory
  - a) Normative b) Contemplative c) Explanatory

Unit-II What is Political?

- State: Theories of origin of the state, Divine, Social Contract, Evolution Theories
- Power and Authority
- Authoritative allocation of Values
- Sovereign state : Challenges

Unit- III Political Values and Theoretical Perspective

- Liberty :- A) Liberal B) Marxist C) Feminist
- Equality :- A) Liberal B) Marxist C) Feminist
- Justice :- A) Liberal B) Marxist C) Feminist

Unit-IV Political Ideologies

- Liberalism
- Nationalism
- Multiculturalism

Unit-V Political Institutions and Functions

- Legislature, Executive and Judiciary
- Political Parties, Pressure Groups, Media

Reading list : -

1. Rajeev Bhargava & Ashok Acharya , editions , Political Theory : An Introduction , Pearson ,2019
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4. Michael G. Roskin , Robert L. Cord, James A. Medeiros , Walter S. Jones , Political Science : An Introduction , Pearson ,2018
5. Hoveyda Abbas , Ranjay Kumar , Political Theory , Pearson ,2019
6. John Hottman , Paul Graham , Introduction to Political Ideologies , Pearson ,2014
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13. Ernest Barker : Principles of Social and Political Theory ( London , Oxford University Press 1951)
14. Norman P. Barry : An Introduction to Modern Political Theory ( London Macmillan, 1989)
15. Richard Bellamy ( ed) : Theories and Concepts of Politics ( New York , Manchester University Press 1993.)
16. Anthopny H. Birch : The Concepts and Theories of Modern Democracy ( London , Routledge ,2001)
17. Martin Carnoy : The State and Political Theory ( Princeton , Princeton University Press , 1984)

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II st Semester  
Paper - II  
Western Political Thought

Unit- I      Greek Political Thought

- Greek Political Thought – Sophists
- Plato:- Concept of Justice , Ideal State , Education and Communism.
- Aristotle :- Forms of Governments, On revolution , Slavery , Best state

Unit- II :      Medieval and Early Modern Thought

- Thomas Aquinas :- Theory of Laws, Christianized Aristotle
- Church – State Controversy
- Niccolo Machiavelli – Human Nature , StateCraft

Unit- III      Social Contractualists

- Thomas Hobbes :- Individualism and Absolute ( State) Sovereignty
- John Locke :- Natural Rights Limited Government
- J. J. Rousseau :- Romanticism, General will , Popular Sovereignty

Unit- IV :      Utilitarian Thought

- Jeremy Bentham :- Utilitarian Principles; Hedonism
- J. S. Mill :- On liberty , Representative Government

Unit- V :      Philosophy of Dialectics

- G.W. F. Hegal :- Dialectics Purpose of History Geist ( Spirt) and State
- Karl Marx:- Historical Materialism, Class war and Revolution.

Reading list :

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2. George Klosko, (eds), (2011), The Oxford Handbook of The History of Political Philosophy, Oxford University Press, New York.
3. Gregory Claeys, (eds)(2013), Encyclopedia of Modern Political Thought, Sage Publication, New Delhi.
4. M.P.Singh and Himanshu Roy, (eds), (2011), Indian Political Thought: Themes and Thinkers, Pearson, New Delhi.
5. N.D.Arora and S.S.Awashthy, (2007), Political Theory and Political Thought, Har-Anand Publications, New Delhi.
6. S.K.Sarma and Urmila Sharma, (2006), Western Political Thought (from Plato to Burke), Atlantic Publishers, New Delhi.
7. Subrata Mukherjee & Sushila Ramaswamy, (2011), A History of Political Thought,: Plato to Marx, PHI Learning Private Limited, New Delhi.
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### III rd Semester

#### Paper - III

### Indian Political Thought

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- Unit-I State and Society in Ancient India
- Manu – Features of Manusmriti, Origins of Varna, Varna Dharma
  - Buddha – Dhamma , Sangha , Eightfold path
  - Kautilya- Saptanga Theory , Mandala Theory , Statecraft
- Unit-II Medieval Political Thought
- Basava- Anubhava Mantapa , Gender Equality
  - Ziauddin Barani- Theory of Kingship ( Ideal Sulthan ) , Ideal Polity
- Unit- III RenaissanceThought
- Raja Ram Mohan Roy - Colonial Encounters , Brahma Samaj
  - Jyothi Rao Phule- Gulam Giri , Satya Shodhak Samaj , Education
- Unit-IV Reformist Thought
- M. K. Gandhi – Satyagraha , Trusteeship , Problem of Political Obligation
  - Dr. B. R. Ambedkar- Who are Shudras ? , Annihilation of Caste
- Unit-V Socialist Thought
- M.N. Roy- Radical Humanism
  - Jawaharlal Nehru- Democratic Socialism
  - R.M. Lohia – Concept of Four Pillars of State(Chaukhamba Model)



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IV th Semester  
Paper - IV  
Constitution and Politics of India

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- Unit- I Constitutional Development in India
- Brief overview of Nationalist Movement
  - Evolution of Indian Constitution -1909 Act ,1919 Act ,1935Act.
  - Philosophical Foundations of the Indian Constitution – Liberal, Gandhian, Socialist
- Unit- II : Institutional Framework
- Union Government – Executive; Legislature; Judiciary
  - State Government - Executive; Legislature; Judiciary
- Unit- III Federal Politics
- Union- State Relations : Legislative, Administrative, Financial
  - Recent trends in Union - State Relations
- Unit- IV : Electoral Politics in India
- Political Parties a) National : INC, BJP, CPM, BSP
    - b) Regional : DMK, Akali Dal, TDP, TRS
    - c) Recent Trends in Party System
  - Election Commission & Electoral Reforms
- Unit- V : Issues in Indian Politics
- Debates on Secularism – Majority Communalism, Minority Communalism
  - Caste in Politics and Politicization of caste
  - Gender in Indian Politics
  - Issues of Minorities – Sachar Committee

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