

TDC SYLLABUS FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE

PASS COURSE

Semester	Paper	Name of the Paper	Total Marks
FIRST	PLSP 101	INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY-I	50
SECOND	PLSP 201	INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY-II	50
THIRD	PLSP 301	COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS - I	50
FOURTH	PLSP 401	COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS - II	50
FIFTH	PLSP 501	GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS IN INDIA-I	50
SIXTH	PLSP 601	GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS IN INDIA- II	50

PASS COURSE

FIRST SEMESTER

Paper-PLSP. 101

Introduction to Political Theory I

Total marks- 50

Pass Marks - 17

No. of Classes

1. Nature and Scope of Political Science, Growth of Political Science as a discipline, Relation with Social Sciences - Economics, History, Sociology, Ethics and Geography. 10
2. Nature of the State: the Juridical Theory, the Organismic Theory, the Idealistic Theory, the Marxian Theory 10
3. The Concept of Sovereignty: Monism and Pluralism 10
4. The Concept of Power, Legitimacy, Authority 10
5. The Concept of Democracy, Critiques on Democracy - Stalinism and Fascism. 10

Suggested Readings :

- Asirvatham, E. : Political Theory, Lucknow, Upper India Publishing House.
- Barker, E. : Principles of Social and Political Theory, OUP.
- Garner, J. W. : Political Science and Government, Calcutta, World Press.
- Ray, Amal & Mohit Bhattacharya : Political Theory and Institutions, Calcutta, World Press.
- Varma, S. P. : Modern Political Theory, New Delhi, Vikas Publishing House.
- Kapur, A.C. : Principles of Political Science, New Delhi, S.Chand and Co.
- Johari, J.C. : Principles of Modern Political Science, New Delhi, Sterling Publishers.

SECOND SEMESTER
Paper-PLSP. 201
Introduction to Political Theory II

Total marks- 50
Pass Marks - 17
No. of Classes

Group A

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| 1. Nationalism - Meaning, Origin, Value and Limitations. Growth of Nation State. | 10 |
| 2. Spheres of State Activity: Liberalism, Marxism and Gandhism | 10 |

Group B

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| 3. Plato - Justice, Education, Communism, Ideal State | 10 |
| 4. Aristotle: State, Slavery, Democracy | 10 |
| 5. Aristotle: Citizenship, Classification of Constitution, Theory of Revolution | 10 |

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| Varma, S. P. | : Modern Political Theory, New Delhi, Vikas Publishing House. |
| Kapur, A.C. | : Principles of Political Science, New Delhi, S.Chand and Co. |
| Johari, J.C. | : Principles of Political Science, New Delhi Sterling Publishers. |
| Rao, V. Venkata | : History of Political Theories, New Delhi, S. Chand and Co. |
| Bhandari, D.R. | : History of European Political Philosophy, New Delhi. |

THIRD SEMESTER
Paper-PLSP. 301
Comparative Government and Politics - I

Total marks- 50
No. of Classes

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| A. Comparative Politics: Meaning, Evolution, Nature and Scope | 10 |
| B. The United Kingdom | 10 |

- Sources and Characteristics of the Constitution, Rule of Law, Conventions.
 - Parliamentary Government, Monarchy, Cabinet, Parliament (Role and Functions), Political Parties and Interest Groups
- C. **The United States of America** 20
- Characteristics of the US Constitution, Federal System - the Amendment Procedure of the Constitution
 - National Government, the President, the Congress and the Supreme Court (Role and Functions), Political Parties and Interest Groups

✓ **Suggested Readings:**

- Ray, S.N. : Modern Comparative politics: Approaches, Methods and Issues, New Delhi, Prentice Hall of India.
- Johari, J.C. : Comparative Politics, New Delhi, Sterling Publishers,
- Deol, D. : Comparative Government and Politics, New Delhi, Sterling Publishers.
- Kapur, A.C. : Select Constitutions, New Delhi, S.Chand and Co.
- Bhagwan V. and V.Bhushan : World Constitution, New Delhi, Sterling Publishers.

FOURTH SEMESTER

Paper-PLSP. 401

Comparative Government and Politics - II

Total marks- 50

Pass Marks - 17

No. of Classes

- A. **Switzerland** 20
- Characteristics of the Swiss Constitution, Federal System - The Amendment Procedure of the Constitution
 - National Government, the Federal Council, the Federal Legislature and the Judicial System
- B. **People's Republic of China** 30
- The Chinese Revolutionary Legacy, Characteristics of the Chinese Constitution, Fundamental Rights and Duties of Citizens
 - Structure and Functions of the Government, National People's Congress, Standing Committee, State Council, Judicial System (Role and Functions)
 - Structure, Organisation and Functions of Communist Party, Its Role, Party - Government Relations

Suggested Readings:

- Deol, D. : Comparative Government and Politics, New Delhi, Sterling Publishers
- Kapur, A.C. : Select Constitutions, New Delhi, S.Chanda
- Bhagwan V. and V.Bhushan : World Constitution, New Delhi, Sterling Publishers
- Banerjee, S. : The Chinese Government and Politics, Calcutta, K.P.Bagchi and Co.

FIFTH SEMESTER

Paper-PLSP. 501

Government and Politics in India - I

Total marks- 50

Pass Marks - 17

	No. of Classes
1. Historical Background and Making of the Constitution	10
2. Important Features and Philosophy of the Constitution	10
3. Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy	10
4. Federal System: Nature, Union-State Relation: Emerging trend	10
5. Amendment Procedures, Important Amendments - 24th, 25th, 42nd and 44th	10

Suggested Readings :-

Publication Division,

Government of India

Bipin Chandra, et.al

Basu D.D.

Austin, Graneville

Kothari, Rajni

Pylee, M.V.

Johari, J.C.

Hardgrave, Robert L. Jr.

Palmer, N. D.

: Constitution of India.

: Freedom Struggle, India, National Book Trust.

: Introduction to the Constitution of India, New Delhi, Prentice Hall of India.

: The Indian Constitution, Cornerstone of a Nation, Oxford, Clarendon Press.

: Politics in India, Bombay, Orient Longman.

: Constitutional Government in India.

: Government and Politics in India, New Delhi, Vishal Publishers.

: India: Government and Politics in a Developing Nation, Delhi, Freeman Book Company.

: Indian Political System, Boston, Houghton Mifflin Co.

SIXTH SEMESTER
Paper-PLSP. 601
Government and Politics in India - II

Total marks- 50

Pass Marks - 17

No. of Classes

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| 1. Governmental Structure: Union
President, Prime Minister, Cabinet and Parliament | 10 |
| 2. Governmental Structure: State
Governor, Chief Minister, Council of Minister and State Legislature | 10 |
| 3. Judicial System: Supreme Court and High Court, Judicial Review | 10 |
| 4. Political Parties and Party System –National (Congress, BJP and Communist Parties) and Regional Parties (AGP, Akali Dal and TDP)-Structure and Ideology, Coalition Politics | 10 |
| 5. Political Institutions at the Local Level-Panchayat System in Assam, Administration in the Hill District of Assam. | 10 |

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Government of India | : | Constitution of India |
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| Basu D.D. | : | Introduction to the Constitution of India New Delhi, Prentice Hall of India. |
| Austin, Graneville | : | The Indian Constitution, Cornerstone of a Nation Oxford, Clarendon Press. |
| Kothari, Rajni | : | Politics in India, Bombay, Orient Longman. |
| Pylee, M.V. | : | Constitutional Government in India. |
| Johari, J.C. | : | Government and Politics in India, New Delhi, Vishal Publishers. |
| Hardgrave, Robert L.Jr. | : | India: Government and Politics in a Developing Nation, Delhi Freeman Book Company. |
| Palmer, N. D. | : | Indian Political System, Boston, Houghton Mifflin Co. |
| Reddy, G.Ram (ed.) | : | Patterns of Panchayat Raj in India. |