

Govt. College for Women, Parade Ground, Jammu

Syllabus of Sem. II (Major)



Programme: Undergraduate Programme in Political Science (Five Year Under Graduate) under CBCS as Per NEP-2020

Semester: B.A. Semester II

Course Type: Major Theory Course.

Course Title: Indian Government and Politics

Course Code: UPOMJT201

Duration of Examination: 3 Hours

External Examination: 80 Marks

Total Marks: 100 + 50

Internal Assessment: 20 Marks

Credit: 4 +2

Total Teaching Hours : 60+30 Hours

Course Objectives

The course aims to give students a thorough understanding of the structures of Indian Government and Politics. It makes the students to understand the different perspectives of Indian Politics and Government, the Constitutional principles on which the institutions of the states are founded and functions, the social structure of power and salient features of the political process in India.

Learning Outcomes of the Course

On successful completion of the course, students would be able to,

- Demonstrate and understanding of the different viewpoints on Indian Politics and the nature of Indian State.
- Make students familiar with the knowledge of the text of the Indian Constitution and awareness of constitutional and legal rights.
- Critically analyzing the important institutions of the Indian union.
- Evaluate the role of various forces on Indian Politics: Religion, Language, Caste, Regionalism.
- Show awareness of the party system and its changing nature in India.

Scope of the Course

After the successful completion of the course, the students would be able to:

- Understand the unique model of Indian Federalism.
- Know about the salient features of the Indian Constitution.
- Prepare themselves for competitive examinations like Civil Services.
- Generate Employment.

Indian Government and Politics

Unit I: Introduction to Indian Constitution Teaching Hours-- 12

- 1.1 Indian Constitution: Preamble and Features.
- 1.2 Fundamental Rights and duties.
- 1.3 Directive Principles of State Policy.

Unit II Union Government: Structures and Functions Teaching Hours-- 12

- 2.1 Indian Parliament: Composition, Powers and Law Making Procedures.
- 2.2 President and Prime Minister : Powers and Position.
- 2.3 Supreme Court of India : Composition, Jurisdictions and Judicial Review

Unit III State Government in India : Structures and Functions Teaching Hrs:12

- 3.1 Governor : Powers and Position
- 3.2 Chief Minister : Powers and relations with Council of Ministers
- 3.3 High Court : Composition and Jurisdictions

Unit IV Political Processes I Teaching hours : 12

- 4.1 Party System in India: One Party Dominant System, Multiparty and Re-emergence of one Parties Dominant system.
- 4.2 Coalition Politics: Nature and Trends
- 4.3 Ideology and Social Bases of National Parties: INC, BJP & Communist parties.

Unit V Political Processes II Teaching Hours : 12

- 5.1 Electoral System and Electoral Reforms : Election Commission of India- Composition, Powers and Role
- 5.2 Caste in Indian Politics
- 5.3 Regionalism and Communalism

Suggested Readings

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Examination Pattern shall be as under :

A) Theory (100 Marks)

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Mid Term Assessment (20 marks) : The mid –term assessment test will comprise of a written test of 15 marks. 05 marks will be kept for attendance.

The written examination will be held for 40% of the syllabus and will carry 15 marks. It will have eight questions of 03 marks each, and student will be asked to attempt any five out of the given eight.

External End Semester Examination (80 marks) :

The external end semester examination will consist of three Sections :

Section A will consist of 5 Questions (of 3 marks each) and the students will be asked to attempt all five.

Section B will consist of 5 Questions (of 7 marks each) and the students will be asked to attempt all five.

Section C will consist of 5 Questions (of 15 marks each) and the students will be asked to attempt any two.

B) PRACTICAL (Marks 50)

Internal Examination (25 marks) :The students will be asked to give an oral presentation on any political topic assigned to them. The presentation will be evaluated based primarily upon the student’s exhibition of critical and deep thought about the given topic and also on the way she expresses her thought in the presentation.

External Examination (25 marks) : The students will be required to give a viva. The syllabus for viva voce will be same as the syllabus for the major course (Theory).

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Syllabus of Sem. II (Minor)



Programme: Undergraduate Programme in Political Science (Five Year Under Graduate) under CBCS as Per NEP-2020

Semester: B.A. Semester II

Course Type: Minor Theory Course.

Course Title: Essentials of Indian Government and Politics

Course Code: UPOMNT201

Duration of Examination: 3 Hours

External Examination: 80 Marks

Total Marks: 100 + 50

Internal Assessment: 20 Marks

Credit: 4 +2

Total Teaching Hours : 60+30 Hours

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Essentials of Indian Government and Politics

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