Syllabus

M.A. (Part I) Political Science
(Group – I) Paper - I
Political Theory


3. Theories of the State: Classical, Pluralist and neo-Pluralist, Elitist, Marxist and neo-Marxist


7. Contemporary debates in Democracy, Forms of representation and participation.


10. Contemporary debates in Modernity, Gender, Environment, Multiculturalism.

Suggested Readings:

44. Pateman, Carol and Gross, Elizabeth (Eds.), Feminist
52. Shiva, Vandana, Staying Alive. Women, Ecology and Survival, Kali
Selected Issues and Themes in Indian Politics

2. The Structure and Functioning of Institutions: Parliament, Executive, Judiciary and Election Commission
3. The Functioning of the Federal Polity in India
4. The Party System-Ideology And Social Base of Parties, Fragmentation and Emergence of Regional Parties Pattern of: Coalition Pattern
5. The Problem of Nation Building: Caste and Religion, Language, Ethnicity
6. Impact of Economic Development and Reforms in the Indian Polity
7. Issues of National Security, Criminalisation of Politics & Terrorism
8. Revitalising the Indian State-Problems and Prospects

Suggested Readings

(Sub Group – E) - Indian Studies
Paper - I
Foreign Policy and Diplomacy with Special reference to India

1. Nature, Objectives and Determinants of Foreign Policy.
2. Foreign Policy Process; Role of Legislature, Executive and Bureaucratic agencies, Political Parties, Pressure Groups and Media.
3. The evolution of Indian Foreign Policy (including the role of Nonalignment).
4. India and South Asia (focus on issues of dispute, efforts at normalization and SAARC).
5. India and China (focus on issues of dispute and efforts at normalization).
6. India and the United States (since the Reagan era)
7. India and Russia (post 1991)
8. India and Europe.
9. India’s relations with south East Asia. Africa and Latin America.
11. India’s Nuclear Policy.
12. India and the emergent world order since 1991, including political, economic and social issues.

Suggested Readings

19. Mathur, Krishan D., Conduct of India’s Foreign Policy, New Delhi, South Asian Publishers, 1996.
20. Mohite, Dilip (Ed.), India, USA and the Emerging World Order : Essays in History, Politics and International Relations, Baroda, Department of Political Science, M.S. University, Baroda, 1995.
26. Thakur, Ramesh, Politics and Economics of India’s Foreign Policy, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 1994.
Modern Indian Political Thought

1. The Indian Renaissance — Raja Rammohan Roy, Swami Vivekananda.

2. Equality: Mahatma Phule and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.


6. Sarvodaya: Vinoba Bhave and Jay Prakash Narain.

7. Communalism: Hindu, Muslim and Sikh.


Suggested Readings


32. Pantham, Thomas and Kenneth L. Deutsch (Eds.), Political Thought in Modern India, New Delhi, Sage Publications, 1986.