

**Undergraduate Course Structure in Political Science, GU**  
**Department of Political Science, GU**

The following is the course structure and syllabus for BA (Major) in Political Science

<b>First Semester</b> <b>1. Political Theory-I</b> <b>2. Politics in India-I</b>	<b>Second Semester</b> <b>1. Political Theory-II</b> <b>2. Politics in India-II</b>
<b>Third Semester</b> <b>1. International Relations-I</b> <b>2. Public Administration-I</b>	<b>Fourth Semester</b> <b>1. International Relations-II</b> <b>2. Public Administration-II</b>
<b>Fifth Semester</b> <b>1. Western Political Thinkers</b> <b>2. Select Constitutions-I</b> <b>3A. Politics in North-East India</b> <b>OR</b> <b>3B. General Sociology-I</b> <b>4A. Contemporary Political Issues</b> <b>OR</b> <b>4B. Women and Politics</b> <b>5A. Rural Local Governance</b> <b>OR</b> <b>5B. Political Sociology-I</b> <b>6A. Democracy in India-I</b> <b>OR</b> <b>6B. Human Rights</b>	<b>Sixth Semester</b> <b>1. Indian Political Thinkers</b> <b>2. Select Constitutions-II</b> <b>3C. Politics in North-East India</b> <b>OR</b> <b>3D. General Sociology-II</b> <b>4C. Contemporary Political Ideologies</b> <b>OR</b> <b>4D. Women and Politics in India</b> <b>5C. Urban Local Governance</b> <b>OR</b> <b>5D. Political Sociology-II</b> <b>6C. Democracy in India-II</b> <b>OR</b> <b>6D. Human Rights in India</b>

**FIRST  
SEMESTER**

**Paper 1**  
**POLITICAL THEORY-1**

**Unit I: Politics and Political Theory.**

- **Importance and Usefulness of Political Theory**
- **Approaches to the study of Political Science**
- **Traditional Approaches: Philosophical, Historical, Institutional and Legal**
- **Contemporary Approaches: Behavioural and Post-Behavioural**

**Unit II: Concept of Power**

- **Concept of Power, Authority and Legitimacy**
- **Forms of Power: Political, Economic and Ideological**
- **Relation between Power, Authority and Legitimacy**

**Unit III: Concept of Ideology**

- **Liberalism**
- **Marxism**
- **End of Ideology Debate**

**Unit IV :Concept of State**

- **Different Perspectives on State: Liberal, Marxist**
- **Gandhian perspective of the state**
- **Globalisation and State's Sovereignty**

**Readings:**

**Bhargava, Rajeev & Ashok Acharya (ed.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*, New Delhi: Pearson Education, 2008**

**Bhargava, Rajeev, *What is Political Theory and Why do We need it*, New Delhi: OUP, 2010**

**Gauba, O. P. *An Introduction to Political Theory*, New Delhi: Macmillan, 1981**

**Ramaswamy, Sushila, *Political Theory: Ideas and Concepts*, New Delhi: Macmillan, 2003**

**Held, David, *Political Theory and the Modern State*, London: Polity, 1994**

**----- (ed.) *Political Theory Today*, Cambridge: Polity Press, 1991**

**Barry, Norman P., *An Introduction to Modern Political Theory*, London: Macmillan, 1988**

**Kymlicka, Will, *Contemporary Political Philosophy: An Introduction*, Oxford: Clarendon, 1990**

**Hacker, Andrew, *Political Theory- Philosophy, Ideology and Science*, Toronto: Macmillan, 1961**

**Leftwich, Adrian (ed.) *What is Politics: The Activity and its Study*, Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1984**

**Laski, Harold J, *The State in Theory and Practice*, London: George Allen & Unwin, 1935**

**Bottomore, T. B., *Classes in Modern Society*, London: George Allen & Unwin, 1965**

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## Paper 2

### POLITICS IN INDIA – I

#### Unit I : Indian Constitution: its Evolution

- Colonial Legacies: Acts of 1909, 1919 & 1935.
- Legacies of National Movement: Non Cooperation Movement & Quit India Movement 1942
- Constitutional Developments during freedom movement: Nehru Report & Lahore Congress Resolution

#### Unit II: Basic features of Indian Constitution .

- Preamble
- Fundamental Rights & Duties.
- Directive Principles of State Policy

#### Unit III :Union & State Executive and Legislature

- President and Prime Minister
- Parliament : Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha
- Governor and Chief Minister
- State legislature: Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council

#### Unit IV : Judiciary

- Supreme Court and High Court
- Judicial Review
- Judicial Activism

#### Readings:

Neera Chandhoke & Praveen Priyadarshini (edited): *Contemporary India: Economy, Society, Politics*, Pearson 2009

Hoveyda Abbas *et al*: *Indian Government and Politics*, Pearson 2010

D.D. Basu: *An Introduction to the Constitution of India*, New Delhi, Prentice Hall : 2008.

M. V. Pylee- *Constitutional Government in India*, Bombay, Asia Pub. House, 1977.

M. V. Pylee – *An Introduction to Constitution of India*, New Delhi, Vikas, 1998.

S. K. Chaube : *Constituent Assembly of India – Springboard of Revolution*, New Delhi, Peoples' Publishing House, 1973.

G. Austin: *Working a Democratic Constitution – The Indian Experience*, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 2000.

Subhash C. Kashyap: *Constitution of India: Review and Reassessment*, New Delhi, Universal Law Publishing Co. Pvt., 2010.

S. P. Sathe: *Judicial Activism in India*, Oxford University Press, 2001.

**T. R. Andhyarujina: *Judicial Activism and Constitutional Democracy in India*, Bombay, N. P. Tirupathi, 1992**

**N .V. Normani: *Constitutional Question in India. The President, Parliament and the State*, Oxford University Press, 2000.**

# **SECOND SEMESTER**

**Paper 1**  
**POLITICAL THEORY II**

**Unit I: Democracy**

- **Concept of Democracy: Classical and Liberal**
- **Types of democracy: Direct and indirect**
- **Contemporary Theories of Democracy: Elitist, Pluralist and Marxist**

**Unit II: Understanding Development**

- **Meaning of Development**
- **Liberal and Marxist perspectives on Development**
- **Alternative Views of Development: Sustainable Development, Human Development and Gandhian Model of Development**

**Unit III: Justice and Multiculturalism**

- **Concepts of justice and multiculturalism**
- **Distributive justice**
- **Multiculturalism and social justice**

**Unit IV : Political Theory and Third World**

- **Nature of State in Third World**
- **Neo-Colonialism: Basic features**
- **Dependency Theory: Views of Andre Gunder Frank**

**Readings:**

**Bhargava, Rajeev & Ashok Acharya(ed.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*, New Delhi: Pearson Education,2008**

**Bhargava, Rajeev, *What is Political Theory and Why do We need it*, New Delhi: OUP, 2010**

**Gauba, O. P. *An Introduction to Political Theory*, New Delhi: Macmillan, 1981**

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Toronto:Macmillan, 1961,**

**Leftwich, Adrian (ed.) *What is Politics: The Activity and its Study*, Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1984**

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**Paper 2**  
**POLITICS IN INDIA – II**

**Unit I: Centre- State Relations**

- Legislative
- Administrative
- Financial

**Unit II :Party System in India**

- National Parties- INC, BJP, CPI, CPM
- Regional Parties- DMK and AGP

**Unit III :Election System in India**

- First-past-the-post System
- Proportional Representative System.
- Election Commission

**Unit IV :Challenges to National Integration**

- Terrorism
- Regionalism
- Casteism

**Readings**

**Neera Chandhoke & Praveen Priyadarshini (edited) *Contemporary India: Economy, Society, Politics*, Pearson 2009**

**Hoveyda Abbas *et al*, *Indian Government and Politics* Pearson 2010**

**D.D. Basu: *An Introduction to the Constitution of India*, New Delhi, Prentice Hall : 2008.**

**M. V. Pylee- *Constitutional Government in India*, Bombay, Asia Pub. House, 1977.**

**C. P. Bhambri : *The Indian State : Fifty years*, New Delhi, Shipra, 1999.**

**Chakrabarti, Bidyut & Pandey Rajendra Kumar : *Indian Government & Politics*, Sage –New Delhi-2008.**

**S. Kaviraj: *Politics in India*, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 1998.**

**Palmer Norman: *The Indian Political System*. Boston, Houghton Mifflin Company, 1971.**

**Bipan Chandra, Barun Dey & Amaresh Tripathi, *Freedom Struggle*, National Book Trust of India.**

**P. R. Brass: *Politics of India since Independence* (2nd Ed.) Cambridge Uni. Press, 1992.**

**Morris Jones: *Government and Politics in India*, Oxford University Press, Delhi, 1998.**

# **THIRD SEMESTER**

**Paper- 1**  
**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS-I**

**Unit 1: Introduction to International Relations**

- Evolution
- Nature
- Scope

**Unit II: Approaches to the study of International Relations**

- Liberalism- I. Kant, W. Wilson
- Realism- Morgenthau, K. Waltz
- Systems theory – M. Kaplan

**Unit III: Basic concepts in International Relations**

- Balance of power
- Collective security
- National Interest and ideology

**Unit IV: World in 20<sup>th</sup> Century**

- First world war: Causes and consequences
- Second World war: causes and consequences
- Cold war: phases and Impact

**Readings:**

**Aneek Chatterjee, *International Relations Today: Concepts and Applications*, Pearson Education 2008**

**John Baylis, Steve Smith and Patricia Owens (Edited), *The Globalization of World Politics*, Fourth Edition, OUP, USA 2008**

**John Baylis, J.Wirtz, C.Gray, *Strategy in Contemporary World*, OUP, UK, 2010**

**John W. Young and John Kent, *International Relations since 1945 A Global History*, OUP, USA 2004**

**Joshua S. Goldstein, *International Relations*, 8/e, Pearson Education 2008**

**Mahendra Kumar, *Theoretical Aspects of International Politics*, Agra: Shiva Lal Agarwala, 1967**

**Paul R.Viotti and Mark V.Kauppi, *International Relations and World Politics: Security, Economy, Identity*, 3/e, Pearson Education 2007**

**Peu Ghosh, *International Relations*, PHI Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 2010**

**V N Khanna, *International Relations*, Vikas Publishing House, 2008**

**Paper 2**  
**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION-I**

**Unit I: Introduction**

- **Concept, Scope and Importance of Public Administration**
- **Growth and Evolution of Public Administration as a Discipline**
- **Recent Trends -- Good Governance and New Public Management**

**Unit II: Administrative Theories**

- **Scientific Management Theory**
- **Bureaucratic Theory**
- **Human Relations Theory**

**Unit III: Principles of Organization**

- **Hierarchy -- Span of control -- Unity of command**
- **Centralization – Decentralization**
- **Supervision -- Coordination – Delegation**

**Unit IV: Structure of Organisation**

- **Line and Staff – Concept and Functions**
- **Chief executive – Types and Functions**
- **Department, Public Corporations, Independent Regulatory Commissions**

**Readings**

- Avasthi and Maheswari: *Public Administration*, Laxmi Narayan Agarwal, 2009**
- Maheswari, S.R.,: *Administrative Theory*, Macmillan India Ltd.**
- Tyagi, A.R.: *Public Administration*, Atma Ram and Sons, Delhi**
- Fadia, B.L., and Kuldeep,: *Public Administration*, Sahitya Bhawan Publication, Agra, 2008**
- Bhattacharya Mohit: *Public Administration*, World Press, 2007**
- Chakrabarty, Bidyut Bhattacharya Mohit: *Public Administration: A Reader*, Oxford University Press, 2003**
- Basu, Rumki: *Public Administration: Concepts and Theories*, Sterling Publishers Pvt. Ltd, 2004**
- Hazarika, N., *Snatak Lok-Prasasan* (Assamese), Students' Stores, Guwahati, 2001.**
- Sapru R.K. : *Administrative Theories and Management Thought*, Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd., 2008**
- Baghel C.L., Kumar, Y., *Public Administration* (two volumes), Kanishka Publishers, New Delhi, 2005**

**FOURTH  
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## Paper 1

### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS- II

#### Unit I : Basic concepts in International Relations

- Foreign policy and diplomacy
- Conflict resolution
- Non-alignment

#### Unit II: United Nations

- Formation , charter and objectives
- Role of UN in resolving conflict:issue of peacekeeping operations
- UN and Millennium Development Goals.

#### Unit III: Security and disarmament

- Concept of security- traditional and non-traditional
- Disarmament and arms control
- Nuclear nonproliferation

#### Unit IV: Introduction to Global Economy

- Colonialism and Neocolonialism
- IMF, World Bank, WTO
- Impact of Globalisation on Third World economies

#### Readings:

Aneek Chatterjee, *International Relations Today: Concepts and Applications*, Pearson Education, 2008

John Baylis, Steve Smith and Patricia Owens (Edited), *The Globalization of World Politics*, Fourth Edition, OUP, USA 2008

John Baylis, J.Wirtz, C.Gray, *Strategy in Contemporary World*, OUP, UK, 2010

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Paul R.Viotti and Mark V.Kauppi, *International Relations and World Politics: Security, Economy, Identity*, 3/e, Pearson Education 2007

Peu Ghosh, *International Relations*, PHI Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 2010

V N Khanna, *International Relations*, Vikas Publishing House,2008

## Paper 2

### PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION-II

#### Unit 1. Personnel Administration:

- Recruitment - Training – Promotion
- Public Service Commission – Composition and Role
- Importance of Civil Service in modern State

#### Unit II. Financial Administration

- Concept and Principles of Budgeting
- Budgetary Process
- Performance Budgeting

#### Unit III. Development Administration

- Concept of Development Administration
- Contribution of Fred W. Riggs,
- Bureaucracy and development

#### Unit IV. Citizen and Administration

- Concept of Accountability
- Control over administration: Legislative, Executive and Judicial
- Redressal of public grievances—LokPal, Lokayukta, RTI

#### Reading

Avasthi and Maheswari: *Public Administration*, Laxmi Narayan Agarwal, 2009

Maheswari, S.R.: *Administrative Theory*, Macmillan India Ltd.

Tyagi, A.R.: *Public Administration*, Atma Ram and Sons, Delhi

Fadia B.L., and Kuldeep,: *Public Administration*, Sahitya Bhawan Publication, Agra, 2008

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Sapru R.K. : *Administrative Theories and Management Thought*, Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd., 2008

Sapru R.K., *Development Administration*, Sterling Publishers Pvt. Ltd, 1994

# **FIFTH SEMESTER**

**Paper 1**  
**WESTERN POLITICAL THINKERS**

**Unit I: Greek Political Thinkers**

- **Plato: Justice, Philosopher King, Ideal State**
- **Aristotle: Classification of Constitution, Revolution, Best Practical State**

**Unit II: Medieval and Early Modern Thinkers**

- **St. Augustine: Religion and Politics**
- **Machiavelli: Liberty and Statecraft**

**Unit III: The Contractualists**

- **Hobbes: Nature of State, Sovereignty**
- **Locke: Liberty, Property, State**
- **Rousseau: General Will**

**Unit IV: Marxian Political Thought**

- **Materialistic Interpretation of History**
- **Surplus Value**
- **Class Struggle**

**Readings:**

**Nelson, Brian, *Western Political Thought*, Prentice Hall, 1996**

**Wayper, C.L., *Political Thought*, English Universities Press, 1969**

**Sabine, George, H, *A History of Political Theory*, Dryden Press, 1973**

**McClelland, J.S, *A History of Western Political Thought*, Routledge, 1998**

**Jha, Shefali, *Western Political Thought from Plato to Marx*, Pearson Publications, Delhi, 2009**

**Barker, Ernest, *The Political Thought of Plato and Aristotle*, Dover Publications, 1959.**

**Mukherjee, Subrata & Sushila Ramaswamy, *A History of Political Thought*, PHI Learning, New Delhi, 1999**

**Paper 2**  
**SELECT CONSTITUTIONS-I**

**Unit I: Constitution and Constitutionalism**

- **Constitution - Meaning and Importance**
- **Classification of Constitutions**
- **Constitutionalism - Concept**

**Unit II: United Kingdom**

- **The British Political Tradition**
- **Parliamentary Government—**
  - (i) **Monarchy**
  - (ii) **Cabinet**
  - (iii) **Parliament**
- **Political Parties and Interest Groups**
- **Rule of Law and the Judicial System**

**Unit III: United States of America**

- Making of the American Constitution
- The Federal System.
- National Government—
  - (i) The President
  - (ii) Congress
  - (iii) Supreme Court
- Political Parties and Interest Groups

#### Unit IV: Comparative Study of UK and US Constitutions:

- British Prime Minister vs US President
- House of Lords vs Senate
- Speaker of House of Commons vs Speaker of House of Representatives

#### Readings:

Almond and Powell, *Comparative Politics: A Developmental Approach*, Prentice Hall, 1979

Finer, H, *Theory and Practice of Modern Government*, Mituban, 1965

Dahl, Robert, *Theory and Practice of Modern Government*, Prentice Hall, 1978

Ray, S. N., *Comparative Political Systems*, Prentice Hall, 1997

Willoughby, Westel Woodbury, *The American Constitutional System; An Introduction to the Study of the American State*, General Books LLC, 2009

Elster, Jon & Slagstad(Ed), *Constitutionalism and Democracy*, Cambridge University Press, 1993

Alexander, Larry, *Constitutionalism: Philosophical Foundation*, Cambridge University Press, 2001

Rosenbaum, S. Alan, *Constitutionalism: The Philosophical Dimension*, Greenwood Press, 1988

#### Paper 3A

### POLITICS IN NORTH-EAST INDIA – I

#### Unit 1: Profile of North-East India

- Geo-Strategic Location
- Socio-Cultural Diversity

#### Unit II: Colonial Policy of Annexation and Administration

- Expansion and Consolidation of Colonial Rule
- Excluded and Partially Excluded Areas: Inner Line.

#### Unit III: People's Resistance Against Colonial Rule (19<sup>th</sup> Century)

- Peasant Resistance in Assam: Phulaguri and Patharughat uprisings.
- Role of Rajmels
- Anglo-Manipur War of 1891

#### Unit IV: Migration and Demographic Change during Colonial Period

- Migration of Plantation Labour
- Migration from Eastern Bengal

#### READING LIST:

Gait, Edward, 2008, *A History of Assam*, Lawyers Book Stall, Guwahati

Dutt, K.N., 1958, *Landmarks in the Freedom Struggle of Assam*, Guwahati..

Barpujari, H.K., 1980, *Assam in the Days of Company 1826-1858*, Spectrum Publications, Sole

Distributors, United Publishers in Gauhati, Assam.

Guha, Amalendu, 1977, *Planter Raj to Swaraj- Freedom Struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam 1826-1947*, People's Publishing House Private Limited, New Delhi.

Naorem Sanajaoba, *Manipur Past and Present*, Mittal Publication, Delhi, 2005

Gangmuei Kabui, *History of Manipur*, National Publishing House, Delhi, 1991.

Dena, Lal. (1991) *History of modern Manipur, 1826-1949* 1st edition. *New Delhi: Orbit Publishers-Distributors.*

**Paper 3B**  
**GENERAL SOCIOLOGY - I.**

**Unit-I Definition and Scope of Sociology.**

- **Meaning and Definitions of Sociology,**
- **Growth and scope of Sociology.**
- **Relationship of Sociology with Political Science, Economics and History .**

**Unit-II The Methods of Sociology.**

- **Historical Method.**
- **Statistical Method.**
- **Scientific or Experimental Method.**
- **Social Survey Method.**

**Unit III Key Concepts of Sociology.**

- **Family.**
- **Society.**
- **Community.**
- **Role and status.**

**Unit IV Social Stratification.**

- **Meaning of Social Stratification.**
- **Meaning and Nature of Caste.**
- **Meaning and Nature of Social Class.**
- **Concept of Gender.**

**Readings:**

**Bhusan, Vidya and Sachdev ; *An Introduction to Sociology*, Kitab Mahal.**

**Jayaram, A: *Introductory Sociology*, Macmillan.**

**Scafer, Richard and Robert P. Lama: *Sociology*, Tata Mcgraw Hill.**

**Sharma, K.L.: *Caste and Class in India*, NCERT.**

**Ahuja, Ram: *Society in India, Concept, Theory and Recent Trends* Rawat Publications.**

**Mohanty, G.S.: *Modern Sociology ( 2 Vols)***

**Srinivashan, : *Indian Society and Social Institution.***

**Harolombos, M : *Sociology, Themes and Perspectives.* Oxford University Press.**

**Bottmore, T.B.: *Sociology: A Guide to Literature.* George Allen.**

**Singh, Y: *Modernization of Indian Tradition.* Rawat Publications.**

**Paper 4A**  
**CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL ISSUES**

**Unit I: Environmental Issues**

- Brundtland Commission Report and Sustainable Development
- Rio Declaration
- Copenhagen Declaration

**Unit II: Terrorism**

- Meaning and nature of terrorism
- Forms of Terrorism: State and non-state
- Terrorism in North-East India

**Unit III : Human Development & Human Security**

- Concept of Human Development
- Concept of Human Security
- Indicators of Human Development – HDI & HPI.

**Unit IV: Issues of Gender**

- Gender Exclusion and Gender Justice
- Beijing Declaration, 1995
- Concept of Gender Development Index & Gender Budgeting

**Readings:**

Baylis. John & Smith, Steve, *The Globalization of World Politics*, Oxford, 2001

Bhasin, Kamal & Khan Nighat Said, *Some questions on Feminism and its relevance in South Asia*, Kali for Women, 198

Dutta, Akhil Ranjan (edited) *Human Security in North-East India: Issues and Policies*, Anvesha, 2009

Fukuda Parr, Sakiko & Shiva Kumar, AK (edited) *Readings in human rights: concept, measures and politics for a development paradigm*, Oxford New Delhi, 2003

Hussain, Monirul, *Interrogating Development: State, Displacement and Popular Resistance in North East India*; Sage Publications India, 2008

Priyan, Manisha, Madhilika Banerjee & Menon Krishna, *Human Rights, Gender and Environment* Pearson, 2009

UNDP: *1994 Annual Human Development report* (Theme Human Security)

Weinberg Leonard, *Global Terrorism: A beginner's guide*, Oneworld Oxford, 2006

**Paper 4B**  
**WOMEN AND POLITICS**

**Unit I : Concepts of Gender**

- Gender and Sex
- Patriarchy as a concept
- Pillars of Patriarchy

**Unit II : Feminism**

- Concept of Feminism
- Waves of Feminism
- Theories of Feminism----Liberal & Marxist.

### **Unit III: Women's Movements---A Historical Perspective**

- French Revolution
- Civil Rights Movements
- Suffrage Movements

### **Unit IV : History of Women's Movement in India**

- Early 19<sup>th</sup> Century Social Reform Movements
- Women's role in the Freedom Struggle
- Gandhi and Women

### **Readings:**

Agnes, F., *Law and Gender Inequality*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1999.

Agnes, Flavia. *State, Gender and the Rhetoric of Law Reform*, Bombay: SNTD, 1995.

Basu, A (ed.), *The challenges of Local Feminism: Women's Movement in Global Perspective*, Boulder Co, West view Press, 1995.

Bhagwat, Vidyut. *Gender Equality: Text and Context*, New Delhi: IGNOU, 2000.

Bhasin Kamla. 1998. *What is Patriarchy?* New Delhi: Kali for Women.

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Bhatt, Ela R. and Others, *Shramashakti: Report of National Commission on Self – Employed Women and Govt. of India*, 1998.

Desai, Neers and Maithreyi Krishnaraj. *Women and Society in Indiaa*. New Delhi: Ajanta Publications, 1987.

Menon, N. (ed.), *Gender and Politics in India*, New Delhi: OUP, 1999.

Shah, Nandita and N. Gandhi. *The Quota Question: Women and Electoral Seats*. Mumbai: Akshara Publication, 1991.

Hasan, Z. (ed.), *Forgoing Identities: Gender, Communities and the State*, New Delhi: Kali for Women: 1994.

Geetha, V. *Patriarchy*, Zubaan. New Delhi.

Geetha, V. *Understanding Caste and Gender*, Zubaan. New Delhi.

Vaid S. and K. Sangri, *Recasting Women*, New Delhi: Kali for Women, 1989.

### **Paper 5A**

### **RURAL LOCAL GOVERNANCE**

#### **Unit I :Evolution of Local governance in India**

- local governance in ancient India
- local governance in colonial India
- local governance in independent India

#### **Unit II: 73<sup>rd</sup> amendment and Rural development**

- Genesis of the 73<sup>rd</sup> amendment: the various committees
- Significance of the 73<sup>rd</sup> amendment( Women's participation and reservation, district planning commission, election commission, Finance commission)
- Problems of rural local governance

#### **Unit III : Structural growth of local governance under the 73<sup>rd</sup> amendment**

- Zilla Parishad
- Anchalik Panchayat
- Gaon panchayat and gaon sabha

#### **Unit IV: Control and supervision of local governance under the 73<sup>rd</sup> amendment**

- **Legislative**
- **Executive**
- **Sources of revenue and grants-in-aid**

#### **Readings:**

- Gosh, B.K.2002, *The Assam Panchayat Act*, Assam Law House, Guwahati.**  
**Maheshwari ,S.R. 2006 *Local Governance in India*, Lakshjmi Naraian Agarwal, Agra.**  
**Ray,B.Dutta,and Das, G. (Ed) *Dimensions of Rural Development in North East India*, Akansha, New Delhi**  
**Alam, M.2007, *Panchayati Raj in India*, National Book Trust, New Delhi**  
**Joshi, R.P and Narwani, G.S,2002, *Panchayati Raj in India*, Rawat Publication, Jaipur**  
**Dube, M.P. and Padalia, M. (Ed.) 2002, *Democratic Decentralization and Panchayati Raj in India*, Anamika Publishers, new Delhi**  
**Das, N. 2006, *Bharator panchayati raj and Asamor swayatwa sashan*, Mritunjoy Prakashan, Guwahati (Assamese)**

### **Paper 5B**

#### **POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY-I**

##### **Unit I Historical Development**

- **Emergence of political sociology**
- **Definition and nature of political sociology**
- **Subject matter and utility of political sociology**

##### **Unit II Political culture**

- **Concept of political culture**
- **Components of political culture**
- **Foundations of political culture**

##### **Unit III Socialization**

- **Meaning of socialization**
- **Agencies of socialization**
- **Role of socialization**

##### **Unit IV Political Mobility**

- **Nature of political mobility**
- **Problems of political mobility**
- **Defects in the concept of political mobility and its value**

#### **Readings:**

- Ashraf Ali and Sharma Political sociology ,orient Longman,2002.**  
**Coser,Louis:Political sociology, Collins 1970.**  
**Jangan, R T: A text book of sociology oxford and IBH Books,1990**  
**Mukhapadhya,Amal Kumar:Political sociology, Firman K.L ,1998**  
**Sharma,Ram Nath And Sharma,Rajender K,1997(re-print),Media Promoters and Publisher LTD.Haralambos,Micheal,Sociology Themes and Perpectives,1980,oxford univerasity press.**

**Johari, J.C 2002 (reprint) Principle of modern political science, Sterling publishers LTD.  
Chakraborty, Satyabrata, 2003, Political Sociology, Macmillan.**

## **Paper 6 A**

### **DEMOCRACY IN INDIA- 1**

#### **Unit I: Concept of Democracy**

- **Meaning of Democracy**
- **Types of Democracy**
- **Theoretical Perspective of Democracy**

#### **Unit II: Democracy in India**

- **Origin of Democracy in India**
- **Colonial Legacy,**
- **National Movement.**

#### **Unit III: Nature of India's Democracy:**

- **Liberal Perspective**
- **Marxist Perspective**

#### **Unit IV: Elections in India**

- **Election Process in India:**
- **Election Commissioner and Its Role**

#### **Readings:**

**Brass, Paul: The Politics of India since Independence, New York, 1994.**

**Jayal, N. (ed): Democracy in India, New Delhi, 2001.**

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**Crick: Democracy: A Very Short Introduction, Oxford University Press, 2001.**

## **Paper 6B HUMAN RIGHTS**

#### **Unit I: Introduction to Human Rights**

- **Concept of Human Rights – meaning, nature, importance**
- **Growth and evolution of Human Rights**
- **Classification- three generation of Human Rights**

#### **Unit II: Approaches and perspectives**

- **Universal Approach**
- **Cultural Relativist Approach**

- **Marxian Perspective**

**Unit III : Human Rights and UNO**

- **international Bill of Rights – UDHR, ICCPR, ICESCR, Optional Protocols**
- **Conventions – Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, Convention on Rights of the Child**
- **Human Rights Council**

**Unit IV: Human rights and the role of NGOs**

- **Amnesty International**
- **Human Rights Watch**
- **International Committee of the Red Cross**

**Readings:**

**Chauhan, S.R., & N. S. Chauhan (ed): International Dimension of Human Rights(Vol. I,II,III), Global Vision Publishing House, New Delhi, 2006**

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# **SIXTH SEMESTER**

**Paper1**  
**INDIAN POLITICAL THINKERS**

**Unit I: Manu and Kautilya**

- **Kautilya: The Saptang Theory of State, The Mandal Theory**
- **Manu: Views on caste and women**

**Unit II: Raja Ram Mohan Roy and Phule**

- **Raja Ram Mohan Roy: Social reform movements**
- **Jyotirbarao Phule: Social reform movements**

**Unit III: M.N.Roy and Gandhi**

- **M. N. Roy: New Humanism**
- **Mahatma Gandhi: Satyagraha, Trusteeship**

**Unit IV: Nehru, Ambedkar and Narayan**

- **Jawaharlal Nehru: Nationalism and Democracy**
- **B.R. Ambedkar: Issues of Social Justice, Empowerment of Dalits**
- **J. P. Narayan : Total Revolution**

**Readings:**

**Verma, V.P, *Modern Indian Political Thought*, Lakshmi Narain Aggarwal, 1971**

**Pantham, Thomas & Deutsch, Kenneth L, *Political Thought in Modern India*, Sage Publications, 1986**

**Mehta, V.R, *Foundations of Indian Political Thought*, Manohar Publications, 1992**

**Sharma, Urmila & Sharma, S.K, *Indian Political Thought*, Atlantic Publishers, Delhi, 1996**

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**Paper 2**  
**SELECT CONSTITUTIONS-II**

**Unit I: Peoples Republic of China- I**

- **Revolutionary Legacy: Communist Revolution and the Cultural Revolution.**
- **Structure of Government**
- **National Peoples Congress**
- **The President and the State Council**
- **Peoples courts and Peoples Procuratorates**

**Unit II: Peoples Republic of China- II:**

- **Rights and Duties of Citizens**
- **Party System, and Role of the Communist Party**

**Unit III: Switzerland- I**

- **Swiss Political Tradition**
- **Swiss Federalism**
- **Structure of Federal Government**

- Legislature
- Executive
- Judiciary

**Unit IV: Switzerland- II**

- Direct Democracy
- Political Parties and Interest Groups

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**Select Readings:**

**Almond and Powell, *Comparative Politics: A Development Approach*, Prentice Hall, 1979**

**Finer, H, *Theory and Practice of Modern Government*, Mituban, 1965**

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**Ray, S. N., *Comparative Political Systems*, Prentice Hall, 1997**

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**Paper 3C**

**POLITICS IN NORTH-EAST INDIA – II**

**UNIT I -Post-Colonial Developments:**

- Separation of Sylhet and Problems of Refugees.
- Integration of Princely States: Manipur.

**UNIT II - Reorganisation of North-East India**

- Emergence of Separate States: Nagaland, Meghalaya, Mizoram.

**UNIT III – Political Developments in Assam**

- Language Politics
- Rise of Insurgency

**UNIT IV- Changing Nature of State Politics in Assam**

- Emergence of Regional Party
- Coalition Politics

**READINGS :**

**Ray, B. Datta and S.P. Agarwal, 1996, *Reorganisation of North-East India since 1947*, Concept Publishing Company**

**Misra, Udayon, 1991, *Nation Building and Development in North-East India*, Purbanchal Prakash, Guwahati**

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**Paper 3D**  
**GENERAL SOCIOLOGY – II**

**Unit I: Culture.**

- **Meaning of Culture.**
- **Evolution of Culture.**
- **Variability of Culture.**
- **Functions of Culture.**

**Unit II : Social Control.**

- **Meaning and nature of Social Control.**
- **Development of the concept of Social Control.**
- **Need of Social Control.**
- **Means of Social Control**

**Unit III: Social Change.**

- **Meaning of Social Change.**
- **Causes of Social Change.**
- **Theories of Social Change.**

**Unit IV: Socialization.**

- **Meaning of Socialization.**
- **Process of Socialization.**
- **Factors of the Process of Socialization.**
- **4. Agencies of Socialization**

**Readings:**

**Bhusan, Vidya and Sachdev ; *An Introduction to Sociology*, Kitab Mahal.**  
**Jayaram, A: *Introductory Sociology*, Macmillan.**  
**Scafer, Richard and Robert P. Lama: *Sociology*, Tata Mcgraw Hill.**  
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**Ahuja, Ram: *Society in India, Concept, Theory and Recent Trends* Rawat Publications.**  
**Mohanty, G.S.: *Modern Sociology ( 2 Vols)***  
**Srinivashan, : *Indian Society and Social Institution.***  
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**Paper 4C**  
**CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL IDEOLOGIES**

**Unit I: Neo-liberalism**

- **Meaning and Context of Neo-liberalism**
- **Neo-liberal State: Hayek and Nozick**
- **Neo-liberal State Vs. Welfare State**

**Unit II: Feminism**

- **Concept of gender and patriarchy**
- **Meaning of Feminism**
- **Different forms of Feminism: Liberal and Marxist**

**Unit III: Religious Fundamentalism**

- **Meaning of Religious Fundamentalism**

- Religious Fundamentalism- Global Challenges
- Religious Fundamentalism in South Asia: India and Bangladesh

**Unit IV : Multi-culturalism**

- Meaning of multi-culturalism
- Multi-culturalism and democracy
- Multi-culturalism in India

**Readings:**

**Baylis. John & Smith, Steve, *The Globalization of World Politics*, Oxford, 2001**

**Dutta, Akhil Ranjan (edited) *Human Security in North-East India: Issues and Policies*, Anwasha, 2009**

**Eatwell, Roger & Wright, Anthony, *Contemporary Political Ideologies*, Continuum International Publishing, 2000**

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**Paper 4D**

**WOMEN AND POLITICS IN INDIA**

**Unit-1: Women and Political process**

- Constitutional Provisions
- Women Representation: In Parliament, State Legislatures, Local Bodies.

**Unit II: Status of Women in India**

- Pre Colonial Period
- Colonial Period
- Post-Colonial Period

**Unit III: Contemporary Issues**

- Women and Violence
- Women and Environment
- Women and Education

**Unit IV: Women and Development**

- United Nations and Women's Development
- Report of the Committee on the Status of Women in India, 1974

**Readings:**

**Cair, M. et al (eds.), *Speaking Out: Women's Economic Empowerment in South Asia*. New Delhi: Vistaar, 1996.**

**Chaudhari, Maitreyi. *Indian Women's Movement: Reform and Revival*. New Delhi: Radiant, 1993.**

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*Towards Equality – The Unfinished Agenda – Status of Women in India – 2001*.

### Paper 5C

#### URBAN LOCAL GOVERNANCE

##### Unit I: Evolution of Urban Governance

- Pre-independence period
- Post- independence period
- 74th amendment of the Constitution of India

##### Unit II: Constitutional structure of urban local bodies – composition and function

- Nagar Panchayat
- Municipal Council
- Municipal Corporation (spl. ref. Guwahati Municipal Corporation)

##### Unit III: Role of Committees and commissions

- District Planning Committee
- Metropolitan Planning Committee
- State Election Commission

##### Unit IV: Finance, Control and Personnel Administration

- Sources of income – taxation, grants-in –aid, borrowing
- Control and supervision – legislative, executive, judicial
- Personnel Administration – features and types

##### Reading:

Prasad, R. N.: *Urban Local self Govt. in India*, Mittal Publications, New Delhi, 2007

Maheswari, S.R., : *Local Govt. in India*, Lakshmi Narain, Agra, 2010

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### Paper 5D

#### POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY-II

##### Unit I :Elite theories of political power

- Pareto
- Mosca
- Mitchell and C.Wright Mill

##### Unit II :Political Change

- Nature and causes of political change
- Causes of revolution
- Role of the army

### **Unit III : Concept of political Development**

- **Meaning and nature of political development**
- **Modernization and political development**
- **Political culture and political development**

### **Unit IV: Bureaucracy, Society and Politics**

- **Bureaucracy, Rationality and Power**
- **Bureaucracy and politics**
- **Bureaucracy and society**

#### **Select readings:**

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**Coser,Louis:Political sociology, Collins 1970.**

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## **Paper 6 C DEMOCRACY IN INDIA-II**

### **Unit 1: Changing Nature of Democratic Politics in India**

- **One Party Dominant System**
- **Multiparty System**
- **Coalition Politics**

### **Unit II: Federal Character of Indian Democracy**

- **Decline of One Party System**
- **Emerging Role of State Parties**
- **Ethnic Parties**

### **Unit III: Socio Economic Determinates of India's Democracy:**

- **Poverty**
- **Religion**
- **Caste**

### **Unit IV: Decentralized Democracy**

- **Democratic Decentralization as a concept**
- **Panchayati Raj**
- **73<sup>rd</sup> Amendment**

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**Paper 6D**  
**HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDIA**

**Unit I: Origin and Development of Human Rights in India**

- Ancient, medieval and colonial period
- Human rights and the Constitution of India
- Protection of Human Rights Act,1993

**Unit II: Institutional Mechanisms for Protection of Human Rights**

- National Human Rights Commission and Assam Human Rights Commission
- National Commission for Women
- National Commission for S.C and National Commission for S.T

**Unit III : Emerging issues of human rights**

- Terrorism in NE India
- Rights of Indigenous People
- Environmental Issues – Narmada Bachao movement, Chipko movement

**Unit IV: Human Rights of vulnerable groups**

- Women
- Children
- Minority

**Reading list:**

**Sehgal, B.P.Singh,(ed): Human Rights in India, Deep & Deep Publications, New Delhi, 1999**

**Saksena, K.P., (ed): Human Rights: Fifty Years of India's Independence, Gyan Publishing House, New Delhi, 1999**

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