

Syllabus for B.A (Subsidiary) Political Science

UNIT I POLITICAL SCIENCE

1. Definition – Nature – Scope
2. Relationship with Sociology – History – Economics – Psychology

UNIT II MAJOR APPROACHES TO THE STUDY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

1. Traditional – Behavioural – Post-Behavioural Approaches

UNIT III STATE

1. Elements of State – Civil Society

UNIT IV POLITICAL IDEOLOGIES

Liberalism – Democracy – Marxism – Gandhism

UNIT V POLITICAL SYSTEM

1. Political System – Characteristics – Functions
2. Legislature – Executive – Judiciary – Their Role and Functions
(To be taught by drawing examples from USA, UK, France and India)

UNIT VI POLITICAL DYNAMICS

1. Political Parties – Functions – One Party – Two Party – Multi Party Systems
2. Theories of Representation – Territorial – Functional – Minority Representations
3. Interest Groups and Pressure Groups – Meaning – Role – Importance
4. Human Rights – Origin – Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Unit VII INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM

1. Indian Constitution – Salient Features
2. Judiciary in India – Structure and Functions

UNIT VIII ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS

1. Public Administration – Meaning and Importance
2. E-Governance
3. Panchayat Raj Institutions – Structure and Functions

UNIT IX GLOBAL POLITICS

1. U.N.O. Structure – Functions
2. Globalisation and Its Impact on Third World

READING LIST

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