

SUBJECT : POLITICAL SCIENCE - I: POLITICAL THEORY
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Unit – I : Introduction to Political Science And Approaches to Political Analysis

Meaning, Nature & scope of Political Science
Methodology
Political Science and allied studies like & History
Political Science and Economics
Political Science and Sociology
Political Science and Geography
Political Science and Anthropology
Political Science and Jurisprudence
Political Science and Ethics.

Traditional approach - Modern approach - Post-modern approach
- Behavioralism - Post-behavioralism - Systems approach -
Structural functional analysis - Marxist approach.

Unit – II : Origin of State and Elements of State

Theories of origin of State
Divine Right theory, Patriarchal & Matriarchal theories
Social Contract theory - Evolutionary theory, Evolution of modern State and the Post-modern State.
State and Nation - State and Sovereignty, Is sovereignty a waning concept? Characteristics of
Sovereignty, Classification of Sovereignty, Legal and Political, Austin's theory of
Sovereignty, sovereignty and Constitutional Law and sovereignty in International Law.

Unit – III : Meaning, nature and scope of citizenship and Liberty, Equality and Justice

Global citizenship, Methods of acquiring and losing citizenship, Rights and duties of citizens, classification of rights, theories of rights, Human rights and Rights and duties. Philosophical foundations, constitutional protection and limitations Marxist view on freedom, Liberalism, Idealism, Individualism, Socialism, Facism, Imperialism and Marxism

Unit – IV : Classical Political theory and Contemporary Political Thought

Political Theory of Classical Greece; Republicanism, Political Theory and Political Economy, Political Theory and Social Theory, Modernity and its critics, Marxian Thought, Critical Theory beyond Habermas, Liberal Pragmatist Political theory, Feminism and Canon of Political Thought, Pluralist Construct, Regionalization and its challenges, Interpretations in Contemporary Islamic thought.

Unit – V : Evolution of government and forms of Government

classification of government - Aristotle's classification - Modern classification - Merits and demerits of democracy, merits and demerits of Monarchy, Merits and demerits of Dictatorship - Role of Law in governance - Laissez-faire and Welfare governments. Parliamentary & Presidential - Unitary & Federal - SOP & Checks and balances - Unicameral & bicameral legislatures - Cabinet form of government - Role of Political Parties - Public opinion - Limits of governments - Revolution.

Books Prescribed

1. Amal Ray & Mohit Bhattacharya, Political Theory: Ideas & Institutions, The World Press Pvt.Ltd., Kolkata
2. A. Appadurai, The Substance of Politics, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2000.
3. O. P. Gauba, An Introduction to Political Theory, MacMillan, New Delhi, 2009.
4. A. C. Kapoor, Principles of Political Science, S. Chand & Co., New Delhi, 2008.

Books Reference

Ernest Barker, principles of Social and Political Theory Sabine
History of Political Theory.
