

B. A. Political Science
Level 6 (Fourth Semester)
Indian Political Thought
Discipline Centric Core Course Code: POL6002T

Contact hours per week: 6
Examination Duration: 3 hours

Course Credits: 6

Maximum Marks: 100
Internal: 20 External: 80

Course Objective:

The designed course proposes to build a prior understanding of the nature and value of theoretical inquiry in Indian Political Thought. It seeks to explore and understand some of the major ideas that Indian Political Thought and thinking has contributed and engaged in and hopes to enrich our skills of analysis and judgment. This paper attempts to introduce students to the basic concepts of ancient Indian Political Philosophy. Its attempt is to equip students with the major approaches to the study and to provide a detailed understanding of the Indian Philosophy. The paper is designed to focus and develop grasp of students on contemporary themes and issues and its relation with the ideas of Indian Political Philosophy and to equip students with necessary knowledge and skills to resolve relevant national and international issues.

Course Outcome:

At the end of the course the students should have acquired a good understanding of the basic concepts of Indian Political Thought as well as the ideas of various Indian scholars who have provided a pillar to Indian Political Thought and Philosophy. They should be able to identify key historical development and practices that have shaped Indian Political Philosophy. They should be able to comprehend the contemporary issues and relate them to ancient Indian Political Philosophy.

Course Contents

Unit 1	Manu, Kautilya, Shukra
Unit 2	Pandita Ramabai, Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Swami Vivekananda
Unit 3	Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, Aurobindo Ghosh, Periyar E. V. Ramasamy
Unit 4	Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, Jawaharlal Nehru, Dr. Bhimrao Ram Ambedkar
Unit 5	Jai Parkash Narayan, Ram Manohar Lohia, Deendayal Upadhyaya

भारतीय राजनीतिक चिन्तन

इकाई 1	मनु, कौटिल्य, शुक्र
इकाई 2	पंडित रामाबाई, बाल गंगाधर तिलक, स्वामी विवेकानन्द
इकाई 3	मोहनचन्द कर्मचन्द गांधी, अरबिन्दों घोष, पैरियर, ई.वी. रामास्वामी
इकाई 4	विनायक दामोदर सावरकर, जवाहरलाल नेहरू, डॉ. भीमराव अम्बेडकर
इकाई 5	जयप्रकाश नारायण, राम मनोहर लोहिया, दीनदयाल उपाध्याय

Recommended Readings:

1. A.S. Altekar, State and Government in Ancient India, Delhi, MotilalBanarasidas, 1966.
2. Altekar, (1958) 'The Kingship', in State and Government in Ancient India, 3rd edition, Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, pp. 75-108.
3. B. Parekh, (1986) 'Some Reflections on the Hindu Tradition of Political Thought', in T. Pantham, and K. Deutsch (eds.), Political Thought in Modern India, New Delhi: Sage Publications, pp. 17- 31.
4. B.N. Dutt, Studies in Indian Social Polity, Calcutta, 1945
5. Bhattacharya, (Evolution of the Political Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi), Calcutta Book House, 1969. ▪ Bipan Chandra, Loktantra, Apatkaal Aur Jai Prakash Narayan, Anamika Publishers & Distributors Pvt. Ltd.
6. Charles Drekmeir, Kingship and Community in Early India, California, 1962
7. D.D. Kosambi, Culture and civilization in Ancient India, Delhi, Vikas, 1980.
8. D.R. Bhandarkar, Some Aspects of Ancient Indian Hindu Polity, Varanasi, Banaras Hindu University.
9. Deen Dyal Upadhyaya, Integral Humanism, Hindi Sahitya Sadan, 2014.
10. H. K. Shervani, Cultural Trends in Medieval India, Asia Publishing House, Bombay, 1968

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