

**KU2DSCPOL105: INDIAN CONSTITUTION: INSTITUTIONS AND PROCESSES**

Semester	Course Type	Course Level	Course Code		Credits	Total Hours
2	DSC	100-199	KU2DSCPOL105		4	60
Learning Approach (Hours/ Week)			Marks Distribution			Duration of ESE (Hours)
Lecture	Practical/ Internship	Tutorial	CE	ESE	Total	
4	-	1	30	70	100	2 hrs

**Course Description:**

The course provides a detailed account of working of state and politics in India. It helps the student to understand the polity and society in India with an extensive coverage of federalism, party system and political economy of Indian state. The course demonstrates India's economic development from Nehruvian period to Neoliberal period. In addition, it examines the impact of globalization on India's political economy.

**Course Prerequisite: NIL****Course Outcomes:**

CO No.	Expected Outcome	Learning Domains
1	To understand the federal features of Indian politics with a special focus to centre state relations and recent trends of federalism in India.	U
2	The course equips the students with the knowledge of the dynamics of electoral politics and changing nature of party system in India.	An
3	To understand the political economy of Indian state since post-independence period.	U
4	To critically evaluate the major challenges of Indian politics like casteism, communalism, regionalism and criminalization of politics.	E
5	To evaluate political events and trends in India by using theoretical frameworks and empirical evidence.	E

**\*Remember (R), Understand (U), Apply (A), Analyse (An), Evaluate (E), Create (C)**

**Mapping of Course Outcomes to PSOs**

	PSO 1	PSO 2	PSO 3	PSO 4	PSO 5	PSO 6	PSO 7
CO 1	✓			✓			
CO 2		✓			✓		
CO 3			✓				✓
CO 4			✓			✓	
CO 5	✓			✓			

## COURSE CONTENTS

### Contents for Classroom Transaction:

MODULE	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	HOURS
1	<b>Indian Federalism</b>		<b>12</b>
	1	Federalism: History and Typology.	
	2	Indian Federalism: History	
	3	Centre State Relations - Division of Powers.	
	4	Nature and Trends in Indian Federalism	
2	<b>Electoral Politics in India</b>		<b>12</b>
	1	Types of Electoral System in Democracies	
	2	Electoral System in India: The Representation of Peoples Act 1951; FPTP System	
	3	Party System: Types & Party System in India: Features of Indian Party System, Types of Political Parties (National/ Regional, Ideological Parties/ Mass Parties).	
	4	Coalition Politics: Definition, Types & Coalition Politics in India Features and its evolution.	
3	<b>Political Economy of India</b>		<b>12</b>
	1	Indian Economy: Characteristic Features	
	2	Planned Economic Development :1950-1991	
	3	Economic Liberalisation: 1991 to the Present	
	4	Development and Discontents	
4	<b>Issues in Indian Politics</b>		<b>12</b>
	1	Casteism	
	2	Communalism	
	3	Regionalism	
	4	Criminalisation of Politics	

5	<b>Teacher Specific Module</b>	<b>12</b>
	<i>Directions</i>	
	Student shall conduct field visits to the offices of political parties and interviews office-bearers at district level. They can conduct a real time surveys and interviews on issues like inequality, castiesm, communalism and corruption at grassroot level.	

#### Essential Readings:

1. Kohli, Atul and Singh, Perna. (Ed.). (2016). *Routledge Handbook of Indian Politics*. New York: Routledge (Taylor & Francis).
2. Austin, Granville. (1999). *Working a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
3. Kapur, Devesh. (2012). The Political Economy of the State. *In The Oxford Companion To Politics in India*. By Niraja Gopal Jayal and Pratap Bhanu Mehta. New Delhi: OUP. Pp: 443-458.
4. Bardhan, K, Pranab. (1998). *The Political Economy of Development in India*. New Delhi: Oxford university Press.
5. Oommen, M.A. (2023). Indian Development and Its Discontents. *Social Change*, 53(4),448-468. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00490857231203411>
6. Brass, R, Paul, (2001), *The Politics of India Since Independence*. London: Cambridge University Press.
7. Laskar, Ali, Mokbul. (2015). *Dynamics of Indian Federalism: A Comprehensive Historical Overview*. Chennai: Notion Press.
8. Laxmikanth, M. (2023). *Indian Polity*, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition. New Delh: McGrew Hill.
9. Kothari, Rajni. (2005). *Politics in India*, New Delhi: Orient Longman.
10. Kothari, Rajni. (Ed.). (2004). *Caste in Indian Politics*, Hyderabad: Orient Longman.

#### Suggested Readings:

1. Kaviraj, Sudipta. (2010). *Imaginary Institution of India: Politics and Ideas*, New York: Cambridge University Press.
2. Khilnani, Sunil. (2004). *The Idea of India*, New Delhi: Penguin Books.
3. Drez, Jean and Sen Amartya. (2023). *An Uncertain Glory: India and Its Contradictions*, Penguin Books.
4. Jeffrolet, Christophe. (2003). *India's Silent Revolution, The Rise of Low Castes in North Indian Politics*, London: Hust & Company.
5. Rudolph & Lyod I. (1998). *In Pursuit of Lakshmi: The Political economy of Indian state*, New Delhi: Orient Longman.

#### Assessment Rubrics:

Evaluation Type	Marks
End Semester Evaluation	<b>70</b>
Continuous Evaluation	<b>30</b>
a) Test Paper- 1	10
b) Test Paper-2/Quiz	10
c) Assignment/Seminar/Book/ Article Review/Field Report/Viva Voce/ Group Discussion (Any of the two)	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>