

**MANONMANIAM SUNDARANAR UNIVERSITY
DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE AND CONTINUING EDUCATION
TIRUNELVELI
M.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE - SYLLABUS**

Duration of the Programme:

It is a two year Post – programme in Political Science

Eligibility for Admission:

Graduation in any discipline from a recognized university.

Scheme of Examination:

Paper Subject	Subject Code
I Year	
Paper - 1.1 Political Ideas & Theories	DPS11
Paper - 1.2 Comparative Constitutions & Governments	DPS12
Paper - 1.3 Political Processes in Indian Political System	DPS13
Paper - 1.4 International Relations, Theories & Issues	DPS14
II Year	
Paper - 1.1 Principles of Sociology	DPS21
Paper - 1.2 Sociological Theories	DPS22
Paper - 1.3 Social Research & Statistics	DPS23
Paper - 1.4 Sociology of Indian Society	DPS24

PAPER I : POLITICAL IDEAS AND THEORIES

Unit – I : Evolution of the state

- 1.1 Elements of the State
- 1.2 City State
- 1.3 Imperial State
- 1.4 Theocratic State
- 1.5 Nation – State and State – Nation

Unit – II : Classification of Modern States

- 2.1 Ideal states and actual states
- 2.2 Tyrannical and Dictatorial States
- 2.3 Military States
- 2.4 Multi – Cultural States
- 2.5 Pluralist States and Polyarchies

Unit – III : Political Values

- 3.1 Liberty
- 3.2 Equality
- 3.3 Justice
- 3.4 Peace and Security
- 3.5 Development

Unit – IV : Political Means

- 4.1 Sovereignty
- 4.2 Law
- 4.3 Customs and Conventions
- 4.4 Power and Influence
- 4.5 Political Inclusion

Unit – V : Ideological States

- 5.1 Liberal States
- 5.2 Democratic State
- 5.3 Communist State
- 5.4 Socialist State
- 5.5 Welfare State
- 5.6 Corporate State

Books Recommended:

1. Roy and Bhattacharya Political Theory, Calcutta, Scientific Book Agency, 1996
2. Ebenstein, A History of Political Thought, New Delhi, Oxford, IBH 1982.
3. Sukhbir Singh, History of Political Thought, Jalandhar 1986.
4. Strauss, L (ed) History of Political Thought , Chicago, UCP, 1979.
5. Berki,R.N. History of Political Thought, London, 1988.

PAPER II – COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTIONS AND GOVERNMENTS

Unit – I : Introduction to Constitution

- 1.1 Evolution of Comparative Government
- 1.2 Classification of Constitution : Aristotle
- 1.3 Modern Classification of Constitution : C.F.Strong
- 1.4 Constitutionalism : C.J. Friedrich

Unit – II : Government of United Kingdom

- 2.1 Political Traditions in Great Britain
- 2.2 The British Monarchy
- 2.3 The cabinet and the Prime Minister

- 2.4 The British Parliament – House of Lords and House of Commons
- 2.5 Judiciary
- 2.6 Political Parties

Unit – III : Government of United States

- 3.1 Political Traditions in the United States of America
- 3.2 The American President
- 3.3 The US Congress – Senate and House of Representatives
- 3.4 Federal Judiciary – Supreme Court – Judicial Review
- 3.5 Theory and Separation of Powers – Checks and Balances
- 3.6 Political Parties

Unit – IV : Government of China

- 4.1 Political Traditions in China
- 4.2 The President
- 4.3 The National People's Congress – The State Council
- 4.4 Supreme People's Court
- 4.5 Party System

Unit – V : Constitutional Dynamics

- 5.1 Centralization and Decentralization Debates
- 5.2 Federalism Debate
- 5.3 Legislature Reforms
- 5.4 Executive Reforms Debate
- 5.5 Alternative Dispute Resolution
- 5.6 Local Government Reforms
- 5.7 Constitution and Citizen's Rights

Books Recommended:

1. J.Denis Derbyshire and Ian Derbyshire Political Systems of the World
2. J.C.Johari Political Systems, Jalandhar, Vishal Publications, 2003
3. V.K. Khanna Comparative Study of Government and Politics, New Delhi; Chand & Co 2003.

PAPER - III POLITICAL PROCESSES IN INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM

Unit – I : Evolution of the Indian Constitution

- 1.1 Indian Nationalism
- 1.2 Constitutional Development
- 1.3 Constitution and its Philosophy
- 1.4 Citizenship

Unit – II : Union Government

- 2.1 Fundamental Rights and Duties
- 2.2 Directive Principles of State Policy
- 2.3 President and Vice President
- 2.4 Prime Minister and Council of Ministers
- 2.5 Rajya Sabha – Lok Sabha – Speaker – Law Making Procedure

2.6 Supreme Court
Unit – III : State Government

- 3.1 Governor
- 3.2 Chief Minister and Council of Ministers
- 3.3 State Legislatures
- 3.4 High Court
- 3.5 Centre-state relations

Unit – IV : Political Linkages in India

- 4.1 Political Parties
- 4.2 Pressure Groups
- 4.3 Public Opinion
- 4.4 Mass Media
- 4.5 NGO's and civil Society Organisation

Unit – V : Political Dynamics

- 5.1 Electoral Politics
- 5.2 Political Alliances
- 5.3 Political Coalitions
- 5.4 Political Defections
- 5.5 Political Violence

Books Recommended:

1. A.C.Banerjee – Constitutional History of India
2. J.C.Johari Indian Political System
3. D.C.Gupta Indian Government and Politics
4. L.M.Singhvi Union – State Relations in India

PAPER – IV INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS : THEORIES AND ISSUES

Unit – I : Scope and Approaches

- 1.1 Nature,scope and importance of International Relations
- 1.2 International Relations and its Relationship with other social science Disciplines
- 1.3 Idealism
- 1.4 Realism
- 1.5 Political Economy
- 1.6 Constructivism

Unit – II : Behavioural Approaches

- 2.1 System Theory
- 2.2 Input – Output Theory,
- 2.3 Game Theory
- 2.4 Decision Making Theory

Unit – III : State Capabilities

- 3.1 Nationalism
- 3.2 National Interest

- 3.3 Elements of National Power
- 3.4 Balance of Power
- 3.5 Collective Security

Unit – IV : 20th Century

- 4.1 Cold War
- 4.2 Non – Alignment
- 4.3 De-Colonisation & Neo Colonialism
- 4.4 United Nations, South –South Co-operation , G8, SAARC , ASEAN , New International Economic Order.

Unit – V : Global Issues

- 5.1 Environment
- 5.2 Terrorism
- 5.3 Refugees
- 5.4 Disarmament, NPT, CTBT
- 5.5 Human Rights
- 5.6 Globalisation

Recommended Books:

1. Robert Jackson and Geroge Sorenson, Introduction to International Relations, Theoretical Approaches, Oxford University Press, 2003.
2. Goldstein, J.S, International Relations, New Delhi:Pearson Education 2003.
3. Mahendra Kumar, Theoretical Aspects in International Politics, Agra: Shirlal Agarwala, 2000
4. John T.Rourke, International Politics on the World Stage, Connecticut:Dushkin Publishing Group, 1995.
5. Daniel S.Papp, Contemporary International Relatins, Toronto: Macmillan Publishing Company, 1991.
6. S.Burchill and A.Linklater et al., Theories of International Relations, Basingstoke, Macmillan, 1996.

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Paper V. Political Ideas in Ancient and Contemporary India

Unit 1: Ancient Indian Political Ideas

- 1.1 Features of Ancient Indian Political Thought
- 1.2 Political Ideas in Ramayana and Mahabharata
- 1.3 Political Ideas in Manusmriti
- 1.4 Kautilya's Arthashastra
- 1.5 Political Ideas in Thiru-kural

Unit 2: Political Ideas in the 19th Century India

- 2.1 Indian Renaissance
- 2.2 Political Ideas of Ram Mohan Roy
- 2.3 Vivekananda
- 2.4 Dayanand Saraswati

Unit 3: Liberal Ideas

- 3.1 Political Ideas of Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- 3.2 Bala Gangadhar Tilak
- 3.3 V.D. Savarkar
- 3.4 Sir Sayed Ahmed Khan

Unit 4: Socialist Ideas

- 4.1 Political Ideas of M.N. Roy
- 4.2 Jawaharlal Nehru
- 4.3 Subhash Chandra Bose
- 4.4 Jaya Prakash Narayan

Unit 5: Revolutionary Ideas

- 5.1 Political Ideas of Aurobindo
- 5.2 Rabindranath Tagore
- 5.3 Mahatma Gandhi
- 5.4 B.R. Ambedkar
- 5.5 Periyar E.V. Ramasamy

Recommended Books

1. A.S. Altekar, State and Government in Ancient India, Delhi, Motilal Banarsidass 1966.
2. S. Ghose, Modern Indian Political Thought, Delhi, Allied, 1984
3. U.N. Ghoshal, A History of Indian Political Ideas, London, Oxford University Press 1959.
4. K.P. Karunakaran, Modern Indian Political Tradition, New Delhi, Allied Publishers, 1962
5. V.R. Metha, Foundation of Indian Political Thought, New Delhi, Manohar, 1992
6. Appadorai, Documents on Political Thought in Modern India, 2 vols. Bombay Oxford University Press, 1970.
7. J. Bandhopadhyaya, Social and Political Thought of Gandhi, Bombay, Allied, 1969.
8. Bipin Chandra, Nationalism and Colonialism in Modern India, Vikas 1979.
9. K. Damodaran, Indian Thought: A Critical Survey, London, Asia Publishing House, 1967.
10. A.T. Embree (ed.), Sources of Indian Tradition: from Beginning to 1800, India, Penguin Books, 1991.
11. J.P. Naravane, Modern Indian Thought, New Delhi, Orient Longman, 1978.
12. T. Pantham, and K. Deustch (eds). Political Thought in Modern India, New Delhi, Sage, 1986.
13. Kazhgam, Thirukkural Text. Translation in Verse by Re. Dr. G.V. Pope.
14. University of Madras, Thirukural: Thirumathi Sornammal Endowment Lectures, Madras, University of Madras.
15. Elakkuvannar, Kural Kanda Naddum Veedum, Chennai, Vanathi 1978.

Paper VI. Political Sociology

Unit I: Introduction

- 1.1 Nature, Scope and Importance of Political Sociology
- 1.2 Evolution of Political Sociology
- 1.3 Classical approaches to Political Sociology
- 1.4 Behavioural approaches to Political Sociology: Structuralism, Functionalism, Structural Functionalism, Systems Theory, Exchange Theory

Unit II: Social Categories

- 2.1 Race
- 2.2 Religion
- 2.3 Language
- 2.4 Sex
- 2.5 Class
- 2.6 Community
- 2.7 Caste

Unit III: Socio – Political Foundations

- 3.1 Political Modernization
- 3.2 Political Identity
- 3.3 Political Sociolization
- 3.4 Political Culture
- 3.5 Political Participation

Unit IV: Socio – Political Dynamics

- 4.1 Political stability
- 4.2 Regime Stability
- 4.3 Socio – Political Change
- 4.4 Political Violence
- 4.5 Political Revolutions
- 4.6 Post – Modernism

Unit V: Social Interaction

- 5.1 Conflict Management
- 5.2 Affirmative Action
- 5.3 Social Empowerment
- 5.4 Social Awareness and Education
- 5.5 Social Welfare

Books Recommended:

1. Anderson, H and Kaspersen L.B Classical and Modern Social Theory, London, Blackwell, 2000
2. Nisbet, R The Sociological Tradition, London, Heinemann, 1970
3. Skocpol, T States and Social Revolutions, Cambridge, CUP, 1979
4. Giddens, A The Consequences of Modernity, Cambridge, Polity, 1990
5. Baumann, Z The Post Modernity and its discontents, Cambridge, Polity, 1980

Paper VII: Tamil Nadu Society and Polity

Unit I: Foundations in the 20th Century

- 1.1 Society and Politics at the beginning of the 20th Century
- 1.2 Congress in Madras Presidency: 1885 – 1909

- 1.3 Indian Council Act of 1909
- 1.4 Non Brahmin Movement
- 1.5 Annie Besant and Home Rule League
- 1.6 Indian Council of 1919 and Dyarchy
- 1.7 The Swarajist Party

Unit II: The Justice Party in Power

- 2.1 Raja of Panagal
- 2.2 Social Reform Movement of EVR
- 2.3 Achievements of Justice Party
- 2.4 Self Respect Movement

Unit III: Congress Party in Power

- 3.1 Government of India Act 1935
- 3.2 Indian National Congress – C. Rajagopalachari
- 3.3 Independence of India
- 3.4 Chief Ministership of Kamaraj
- 3.5 Chief Ministership of M. Bakhtavathchalam
- 3.6 Dravidar Kazhagam

Unit IV: DMK and AIADMK in Power

- 4.1 C.N. Annadurai and the emergence of the D.M.K.
- 4.2 Anti Hindi Agitation
- 4.3 Chief Ministership of C.N. Annadurai
- 4.4 Chief Ministership of Dr. M. Karunanidhi
- 4.5 Emergence of AIADMK
- 4.6 Chief Ministership of Dr. M.G. Ramachandran
- 4.7 Chief Ministership of Dr. J. Jayalalitha

Unit V: Political Determinants

- 5.1 Backward Classes Movements
- 5.2 Left Parties in Tamil Nadu
- 5.3 Peasant Movements in Tamil Nadu
- 5.4 Film and Politics
- 5.5 Welfare Policies

Books Recommended:

1. Barnett M., The Politics of Cultural Nationalism in South India (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1976)
2. Geetha V. and Rajadurai S.V., Towards a Non- Brahmin Millennium (Calcutta: Samya. 1999)
3. Irschick, E., Politics and Social Conflict south India, University of California Press, 1969
4. Kohli, A. The success of India's Democracy (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2001)
5. Pandian, M.S.S. Brahmins of India (Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2006)

6. Ramaswamy, S., Passions of the Tongue (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1997)
7. Subramanian, N. Ethnicity and Populist Mobilization (Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1999)
8. Visswanathan, E.Sa., The Political Career of E.V. Ramaswami Naicker (Madras: Ravi and Vasanth Publishers, 1983)
9. Hardgrave, Jr. R.L. – The Dravidian Movement (Popular Prakashan, 1965)
10. Backer, C.J. The Politics of South India (Vikas, 1970)
11. Washbrook D. The Emergence of Provincial Politics (Vikas, 1976)
12. Spratt, P – The D.M.K. in Power (Bombay, 1970)
13. Saraswathi, S – Minorities in Madras State, Manohar, Delhi 1976
14. Arnold, D Congress in Tamilnad, Manohar, Delhi 1978.

Paper VIII: Policy Processes

Unit I: Scope of Public Policy

- 1.1 Policy – Making and Decision Making
- 1.2 The study of Public Policy
- 1.3 The Complexity of Public Policy
- 1.4 Approach to Public Administration
- 1.5 Policy and Administration
- 1.6 Policy Sciences

Unit II Policy Process

- 2.1 Policy Formulation Process
- 2.2 Policy Implementation: Agency theory and Bounded rationality
- 2.3 Policy Evaluation
- 2.4 The Policy Network Approach
- 2.5 Policy Output

Unit III: Policy Design and Policy Analysis

- 3.1 Conceptions of Policy design
- 3.2 Processes and Procedures of Policy design
- 3.3 Policy domain
- 3.4 Policy development
- 3.5 Changing paradigms of Public Policy

Unit IV: Substantive Policy Areas

- 4.1 Health Policy
- 4.2 Educational Policy
- 4.3 Environmental Policy
- 4.4 Industry Policy
- 4.5 Agricultural Policy

Unit V: Recent Developments

- 5.1 Ethics and Public Policy
- 5.2 Understanding Public Management
- 5.3 New Public Management
- 5.4 Governance
- 5.5 Policy process and multiple governance
- 5.6 Engaging with Citizens and other stakeholders

Books recommended:

1. B. Guy Peters and Jon Pierre (Eds) Handbook of Public Policy, Sage 2006
2. Tony Bovaird and Elke Löffler Public Management and Governance, Routledge, 2003
3. Deborah Stone, Policy Paradox: The Art of Political Decision Making, 2001
4. Thomas Birkland, An Introduction to the Policy Process: Theories, Concepts and Models of Public Policy Making. Second edition, 2005
5. Thomas R. Dye. 1998. Understanding Public Policy
6. Peters, B. Guy. 2003. American Public Policy: Promise and Performance. 6th ed. Chatham.
7. A Practical Guide for Policy Analysis: The Eightfold Path to More Effective Problem Solving (2005) 2nd Edition, Eugene Bardach, CQ Press, Washington D.C.
8. Public Policy Analysis: An Introduction, Third Edition (2004). William N. Dunn, Pearson / Prentice Hall, Upper saddle River, New Jersey ISBN 0-13-097636-3
9. Jos Mooij (2007)
Is there an Indian Policy Process? An Investigation into Two Social Policy Processes
social Policy & Administration Vol 41 Issue (4), PP 323 – 338.
