UNIVERSITY OF MUMBAI

Revised Syllabus

Sem. I, II, III & IV

Program: M.A.

Course: Politics

(As per Credit Based Semester and Grading System

with effect from the academic year 2013–2014)
DEPARTMENT OF CIVICS AND POLITICS
MASTER OF ARTS (HONOURS) POLITICS AS PER THE CREDIT BASED SEMESTER AND GRADING SYSTEM
SEMESTER- I (2013-14 Onwards)

Core Papers: 1. CODE NO. PA POL 101: Political Theory -I
2. CODE NO. PA POL 102: Indian Government and Politics –I

Elective Papers in Semester I

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MA POLITICS (HONOURS) SEMESTER II (2013-14 Onwards)

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2. CODE NO. PA POL 202: International Relations -I

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1. CODE NO. PA POL 301: Political Theory - II  
2. CODE NO. PA POL 302: Comparative Politics

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2. CODE NO. PA POL 402A: Indian Government and Politics II  
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CODE NO. PA POL 402B: Public Policy  

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1. Meaning and Approaches (15 hours)
   a) Normative and Empirical
   b) Liberal, Marxist
   c) Feminist.

2. Democracy (15 hours)
   a) Representative
   b) Participatory
   c) Deliberative.

3. Citizenship (15 hours)
   a) Republican and liberal
   b) Universal and differentiated
   c) Citizenship and globalisation.

4. Modernity and Post-modernism (15 hours)
   a) Deconstruction
   b) Post structuralism
   c) Critical Theory

Reading List: Political Theory-I


Useful website

- Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy: http://www.iep.utm.edu/home/welcome
- Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy: http://plato.stanford.edu/

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**CORE PAPER-2**

**CODE NO. PAPOl.- 102 : INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS- I**

(6 Credits, 60 Hours)
1. State in Post-Independent India (15 Hours.)
   a) Nehruvian Era, Welfare State.
   b) Populist Era, Emergency and Deinstitutionalisation
   c) Nature of State under Globalisation and Liberalisation

2. Indian Party System, Electoral Politics (15 Hours)
   a) National and Regional Political Parties: Ideology and Social Bases
   b) From ‘Single Party Dominance’ to Coalition Politics
   c) Electoral Process and Electoral Behaviour

3. Class, Caste, Tribe and Gender (15 Hours)
   a) The changing Class relations.
   b) Caste and Politics- Upper castes, Dalits and OBCs.
   c) Politics of Women and Adivasis.

4. Demands for Recognition and Autonomy (15 Hours)
   a) Religious Communities and Secular Politics
   b) Politics of Language and Regionalism.
   c) Ethnic Politics: Demands for greater autonomy and secession.

Reading List: Indian Government and Politics -I


Corbridge, S. And Harriss, J., 2000,(2nd edn.), *Reinventing India: Liberalization, Hindu Nation*


ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E- 101: CITY IN THE GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
1. Emergence of Cities (15 Hours)
   a) Understanding Urban Space: Meaning and Interpretation, Right to the City.
   b) Theories of City: Marxist, Pluralist, Human Ecological, Post Modern.
   c) Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Cities.

2. Contemporary Globalization and City-Systems (15 Hours)
   a) Global Transformation and the City.
   b) Demographic and Geo-Political Shifts, Migration and Gentrification.
   c) Process of Consumption, Investments, Cuisine and Culture.

3. Political Economy of Cities (15 Hours)
   a) Economic Restructuring and Competition.
   b) Changes in the Process of Production: Fordism to Post-Fordism.
   c) Changing Character of Labour Market.

4. Future of Cities: Challenges and Opportunities (15 Hours)
   a) City and Security: Violence and Terrorism.
   b) Environmental Issues.
   c) Livability of Cities: Indices of Cities, Just Cities.

Reading List: City in the Global Perspective


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**ELECTIVE PAPER**

**CODE NO: PA POL E- 102: CONFLICT AND PEACE STUDIES**

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

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1. Introduction (15 Hours)
   a) Nature, Scope and Meaning
   b) Peace traditions
   c) Approaches to study of peace

2. Forms of Conflict (15 Hours)
   a) Intra societal Conflict
   b) Reflections on the phenomena of War
   c) Global wars

3. UN System (15 Hours)
   a) Pacific settlements of Disputes
   b) Peace Keeping, Peacemaking and Adjudication
   c) Confidence Building measures

4. Case Studies (15 Hours)
   a) Kosovo Issue
   b) 9/11 Afghanistan/Somalian Issue
   c) Haitian conflict/ Srilankan Conflict

Reading List: Conflict and Peace Studies

ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO.: PAPOL E -103 : ENVIRONMENT CONSERVATION AND
DEVELOPMENT IN INDIA

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. State of India’s Environment (15 hours)
   a) Natural resources: renewable and non-renewable
   b) Impact of development on people and nature, issues of equity, poverty and affluence
   c) Government of India’s policies.

2. Water and its Conservation (15 hours)
   a) Water management: traditional and modern, small and large-scale
   b) Privatisation of water
   c) Protest: Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, North-east.

3. Biodiversity and its Conservation (15 hours)
   a) Definition, biodiversity at global, national and local levels
   b) India as a mega-diversity nation
   c) Threats and conservation attempts.

4. Civil Society Responses (15 hours)
   a) Resistance: Chipko, Silent Valley, anti-Posco and anti-Vedanta movements
   b) Activism: National Alliance of Peoples' Movements, urban non-governmental organisations
   c) Reconstruction and alternatives: case studies.

Reading List: Environment Conservation And Development In India


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**ELECTIVE PAPER**

**CODE No: PAPO E-104: FOREIGN POLICY OF INDIA**
(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Evolution of Indian foreign policy (15 hours)
   a) The “liberal” phase – Nehru and non-alignment
   b) The “realist” phase – post-Nehru shift to state-centrism
   c) The “neo-liberal” phase – impact of the end of the Cold War and globalisation

2. Process of making foreign policy (15 hours)
   a) Role of the Executive – political and bureaucratic
   b) Role of the Parliament
   c) Role of political parties, pressure groups, media

3. National Security (15 hours)
   a) Concept and dynamics of national security, threat perceptions, power projection
   b) Defence preparedness: purchases, indigenisation
   c) Nuclear Policy

4. Economic Power and “Soft” Power (15 hours)
   a) Trade as an instrument of foreign policy – trade blocs, FTAs, role in the WTO
   b) Quest for Energy Security and Maritime Security
   c) “Soft Power” in foreign policy – cultural-historical linkages, diaspora

Reading List: Foreign Policy of India

Books

6. Dutt, V.P. *Foreign Policy of India*

**Journals**

1. *India Quarterly*
2. *International Studies* (JNU)
3. *World Focus*
4. *World Affairs*

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**ELECTIVE**

**CODE NO: PA POL E 105: GEOPOLITICS IN WORLD AFFAIRS**

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. Basic issues and Concepts (15 hours)
   a) Importance of geo-political factors-physical, human, economic, political and environmental
   b) Theories: Organic, Sea power and Rim land, Land Power, German Geopolitik, Critical
   c) Geopolitics and foreign policy formulation: ecological, regionalist, internationalist globalist challenges.

2. Changing Nature of Geopolitics (15 hours)
   a) Decline of classical geopolitics
   b) Imperialism and geopolitics: Nazi Germany, Pax Americana
   c) Emergence of new geopolitics in the post cold war era.

3. Strategic Geography (15 hours)
   a) Europe, Eurasia
   b) North and South America
   c) Asia, Africa.

4. Geopolitics and Natural Resources Disputes (15 hours)
   a) Oil
   b) Water
   c) Territory.

Reading List: Geopolitics in World Affairs

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. **International Concern for human rights in historical perspective** (15 hours)
   - (a) Anti-slavery initiatives;
   - (b) Struggle against Nazism and Fascism;
   - (c) Struggle against colonialism.

2. **Internationalisation of Human Rights:** (15 hours)
   - (b) Regional Arrangements
   - (c) Challenges to internationalization

3. **Protection of the rights of vulnerable groups:** (15 hours)
   - (a) Women;
   - (b) Children;
   - (c) Indigenous people.

4. **Challenges to human rights:** (15 hours)
   - (a) Terrorism: state and non-state actors.
   - (b) Genocide.
   - (c) Trafficking and contemporary forms of slavery.

**Reading List: Human Rights in Global Context**


**ELECTIVE PAPER**

**CODE NO: PAPOL E 107: INDIAN ADMINISTRATION**
(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Evolution of Indian Administration (15 hours)
   a) Kautilya’s Arthashastra; Mughal administration
   b) Legacy of British rule in politics and administration
   c) Philosophical and constitutional framework of government.

2. Administrative Reforms Since Independence (15 hours)
   a) Major concerns: civil service reform, decentralisation, efficiency
   b) Important committees and commissions
   c) Implementation.

3. Civil Services (15 hours)
   a) Recruitment, training and capacity-building
   b) Code of conduct and discipline, staff associations, civil service activism.
   c) Grievance redressal mechanism.

4. Significant Issues in Indian Administration (15 hours)
   a) E-Governance
   b) Citizen-administration interface
   c) Corruption.

Reading List: Indian Administration


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CODE NO. PAPOL E- 108: INTERNATIONAL LAW

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. International Law (15 hours)
   a) Nature and perspectives, Sources
   b) Evolution and codification
   c) Enforcement of International Law
2. Subjects of international law (15 hours)
   a) States: recognition, succession, jurisdiction, responsibility
   b) Individuals: changing nature
   c) Other subjects: diminutive states, belligerent parties, MNCs
3. International Law on Global Commons (15 hours)
   a) Laws of the Seas
   b) Environment
   c) Space and its use
4. International Regimes (15 hours)
   a) Human Rights
   b) Disarmament
   c) Trade

Reading List: International Law

Books


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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PAPOL E 109: INTERNATIONAL LAWS, REFUGEES AND FORCIBLY DISPLACED PERSONS

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. The Legal and Institutional Framework for Protection of Refugees  
   a) Basic concepts: refugee, internally displace persons, asylum, non-refoulment, protection, alienage, statelessness, well-founded fear  
   b) International refugee legal regime; refugee law and international human rights treaties  
   c) Role of international organisations: United Nations High Commission for Refugees.

2. Asylum  
   a) Grounds: persecution due to race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion  
   b) Durable solution: voluntary repatriation, local integration, resettlement in a third country  
   c) Asylum laws in United States of America, European Union, India.

3. Rights of Refugees  
   a) Basic rights of refugees, principle of non-refoulment  
   b) Rights of special groups: women, children  
   c) Role of governments, refugees in India.

4. Internally Displaced Persons  
   a) Civil wars, violence: Role of non-governmental organisations  
   b) Development induced displacement: case studies  
   c) Laws to protect resettlement and rehabilitation.

Reading List: International Laws, Refugees And Forcibly Displaced Persons


**ELECTIVE PAPER**

**CODE NO: PA POL E -110: Language Policy and Language Politics in India**

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. Constitution and Language (15 hours)
   - a. Constituent Assembly debates
   - b. Provisions about Official Language & Regional Languages
   - c. Limitations/Gaps of the constitutional Discourse on Language

2. Language Policy and Planning (15 hours)
   - a. Concept and Types
   - b. Institutional Mechanism
   - c. Limits of Language Planning

3. Nature of Language Politics in India (15 hours)
   - a. Nativism
   - b. Cultural Politics of Language
   - c. Ethnic identity and language

4. Contestations About: (15 hours)
   - a) National/ Official language
   - b) Regional Languages
   - c) Languages of State Minorities

Reading List: Language Policy and Language Politics in India


4. Copland Ian, Rickard John (Ed) – *Federalism: Comparative Perspectives from India and Australia* (Monash University, National Centre for Australian Studies)


ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E - 111: SECURITY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. International Relations and Security (15 Hours)
   a) Concepts
   b) Traditional Theories
   c) Critique of Traditional Theories
2. Threats-I (15 Hours)
   a) Ethnic Conflicts, Genocide
   b) Terrorism
   c) Proliferation and Trafficking of weapons
3. Threats-II (15 Hours)
   a) Environmental Change
   b) Transnational Organised Crime
   c) Poverty and Underdevelopment
4. Approaches to Security (15 Hours)
   a) Collective Security
   b) Debate on R2P
   c) Post-conflict reconstruction

Reading List: Security in International Relations

8. Lacy, Mark, J., ‘Security and Climate Change: International Relations and the Limits of Realism’, Routledge, UK, 2005

ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO.: PAPOL E-112: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THOUGHT OF MAHATMA GANDHI
Influences on Gandhi’s Thought

1. Hinduism, Jainism, Islam and Christianity
2. John Ruskin, Henry David Thoreau, Leo Tolstoy

Basic Concepts

1. Hindu social structure: caste, untouchability, women
2. Truth, non-violence, satyagraha
3. Religion and politics.

Political, Social and Economic Ideals

1. Critique of modern civilization, swadeshi.
2. Democratic decentralisation

Post-Gandhi Thought

1. Bhoodan movement (Vinoba Bhave)
2. Civil rights movement (Martin Luther King)

Reading List: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THOUGHT OF MAHATMA GANDHI

10. Parekh, Bhikhu, Colonialism, Tradition and Reform, Sage, Delhi, 1989

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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E -113: State and Regional Security in Central Asia

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. Central Asia in Historical perspective (15 hours)
a) Soviet disintegration, its impact,
b) Central Asian Republics Sovereignty
c) Emergence of Commonwealth of Independent States

2. Political Process in Central Asia (15 hours)
a) Nation building, Impact of Religion.
b) Institutional aspect of Central Asian Democratisation
c) Transition towards a new Political and economic system

3. Role of External Powers (15 hours)
a) Russia
b) US and Europe
c) India and China

4. Geopolitics and Security Issues (15 hours)
a) Changing geopolitics of Central Asia
b) New Great Game

Reading List: State and Regional Security in Central Asia


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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 114: STATE POLITICS IN INDIA

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. THE INDIAN UNION (15 hours)
   a) Origins of the federal system, colonial legacy
   b) Reorganisation of states in independent India
   c) Recent demands for smaller states

2. PLURALISM, IDENTITIES AND NATIONAL INTEGRATION (15 hours)
   a) Federalism in India
   b) Assertion of identities
   c) Politics of sub-regionalism

3. FEDERALISATION OF THE PARTY SYSTEM (15 hours)
   a) Impact of single party dominance
   b) Rise of regional parties and its implications
   c) Coalition politics

4. ISSUES IN REGIONAL POLITICS (15 hours)
   a) Socio-economic determinants of state politics
   b) Uneven development
   c) Inter-state disputes

Reading List: State Politics In India


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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PAPO E 115: THE UNITED NATIONS

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. INTRODUCTION (15 hours)

a) Approaches: Liberal, Realist
b) Evolution of International Organisations
c) The League of Nations

2. UNITED NATIONS (15 hours)

a) The United Nations Charter
b) General Assembly, Security Council
c) International Court of Justice, Secretary General

3. ROLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS (15 hours)

a) Maintenance of international peace and security
b) Protection and promotion of human rights,
c) International Labour Organisation, United Nations Educational Scientific Cultural
   Organisation and World Health Organisation

4. UNITED NATIONS TODAY (15 hours)

a) Changing Nature
b) Reforms
c) Relevance

Reading List: The United Nations

1. Introduction to Urban Politics (15 Hours)
   
a) Theoretical Understanding of Urban Politics: Pluralist, Regime and Public Choice.
b) Understanding Globalisation, Glocalisation and Glurbanisation.
c) Urbanisation and Urban Politics in India

2. The Changing Urban Political Economy (15 Hours)
   a) Urban Poverty and the Informal Sector
   b) Politics of Urban Infrastructure and Investment
   c) Education, Health and Housing

3. Politics and the Production of Urban Space (15 Hours)
   a) Politics of Labour Market
   b) Politics of Social and Cultural Change
   c) Politics of Urban Sprawl

4. New Urban Paradigm (15 Hours)
   a) Urban Commons and the Shared Urban Resources
   b) Access, Entitlements and Urban Enfranchisement
   c) Towards an Inclusive Urban Democracy

Reading List: Urban Politics In The Age Of Globalisation


3. Gyan Prakash, The Urban Turn: Cities of Everyday Life, Delhi, Sarai Reader, 2001


ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO.:  PAPOLE 117 : WOMEN AND POLITICAL REPRESENTATION

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Introduction

   a) Theories of representation
b) Voting: types
   c) Engendering citizenship.

2. Women’s Demand for Representation (15 hours)
   a) Suffrage movement
   b) Present demand for quota and types of quota
   c) Politics of presence.

3. Women’s Political Representation - A Global Overview (15 hours)
   a) Incremental Model: Denmark, Finland, Sweden
   b) Party/Soft Model – United States, United Kingdom, and France
   c) Legal Quota Model – Rwanda, Pakistan, Egypt.

4. Women and Political Representation in India (15 hours)
   a) Reservation of seats for Women
   b) An overview of women in local government
   c) Women in Indian Parliament.

Reading List: Women And Political Representation


Useful Websites

- Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance: http://www.idea.int/gender/
- Inter-Parliamentary Union: http://www.ipu.org/english/home.htm
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CORE PAPER- III

CODE NO: PA POL 201: PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. **Meaning, Scope and Significance** (15 hours)
   
a) Evolution and changing character of the discipline: Comparative  
b) Public Administration, Development Administration, New Public Administration  
c) Challenges of liberalisation, privatisation, globalisation, changing role of public sector, public-private relations  
d) Good Governance: concept and application; New Public Management.

2. **Theories and Approaches** (15 hours)
   
a) Classical, Bureaucratic Model, Human Relations School,  
b) Scientific Management, Behavioural, Structural-functional Approach  
c) Marxian, Public Choice, Post-modern.

3. **Personnel Administration** (15 hours)
   
a) Recruitment, training, career advancement, performance appraisal, promotion, pay and service conditions, civil service reform  
b) Employer-employee relations, grievance redressal mechanism  
c) Code of conduct, administrative ethics.

4. **Transparency and Accountability** (15 hours)
   
a) Legislative, executive and judicial control over administration  
b) Ombudsman, Lok Pal and Lok Ayukta  
c) Citizen’s charter, Right to Information, e-governance, role of civil society.

Reading List: Public Administration


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CORE PAPER-IV
CODE NO: PA POL- 202: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS -I

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. Order (15 hours)
   a) Emerging world order
   b) Threats to security: terrorism, civil conflicts, failing states; changing nature of conflicts: from inter-state war to other types of conflicts
   c) Peace and conflict-resolution: collective security, peacekeeping, enforcement of peace.

2. Role of Power (15 hours)
   a) Concept of power
   b) Balance of power: unipolarity, bipolarity and multipolarity
   c) Nation-state, national interest, national power.

3. Determinants (15 hours)
   a) Diplomacy
   b) International law
   c) Non-state actors: multinational corporations, transnational corporations, intergovernmental organisations, global civil society.

4. Arms Control and Disarmament Measures (15 hours)
   a) Conventional weapons
   b) Nuclear weapons
   c) Other weapons of mass destruction.

Reading List: International Relations -I

3. Bell, Duncan, Political Thought and International Relation, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2009
8. Ghosh, Peu, International Relations, PHI Learning, New Delhi, 2009


**ELECTIVES**

**ELECTIVE PAPER**
1. Introduction (15 hours)
   a) Definition of common property resources
   b) Historical evolution of common property resources
   c) Introduction of state ownership and private property.

2. Theoretical debates (15 hours)
   a) Tragedy of the Commons Approach vs Tragedy of Anti-Commons
   b) Institutionalist
   c) Functions of reciprocity among groups and communities.

3. Legal, Institutional and Policy Frameworks in India (15 hours)
   a) Land
   b) Water (including marine/coastal)
   c) Forest.

4. New Common Property Resources and Challenges (15 hours)
   a) Traditional knowledge
   b) Biodiversity
   c) Atmosphere.

Reading List: Administration Of Common Property Resources


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ELECTIVE

CODE No: PA POL E -202-: CIVIL SOCIETY AND DEMOCRACY
(6 Credits and 60 Hours)
1. Civil Society and Democratic Process (15 Hours)
   a) Civil Society as Site of Contestation.
   b) Mapping Civil Society
   c) Uncivil Society

2. Civil Society Organisations and the State (15 Hours)
   a) Watchdog
   b) Service Delivery
   c) Co-optation

3. Spaces of Civil Society Organisations Action (15 Hours)
   a) Religion
   b) Media
   c) Markets

4. Issues in Global Civil Society (15 Hours)
   a) Human Security
   b) Humanitarian Issues
   c) Democratisation Movement

Reading List: Civil Society and Democracy


2. John Keane – “Introduction: Cities and Civil Society” - In John Keane (Ed), ,


12. Manuel Castells, Global Governance and Global Politics The 2004 Ithiel De Sola Pool Lecture, PSOonline [www.apsanet.org](http://www.apsanet.org)


**ELECTIVE PAPER**

**CODE NO.: PA POL E -203: DALIT MOVEMENT IN INDIA**
1. Pre-Ambedkar Depressed Classes Awakening and Protests (15 hours)
   a) Western India - Shivram Janba Kamble, Gopal Baba Valangkar
   b) South India - Iyothee Thass, Sree Narayana Guru
   c) Eastern India – Namsudra Movement.

2. Dalit Movement under Dr. Ambedkar’s Leadership (15 hours)
   a) Bahishkrit Hitakarini Sabha
   b) Independent Labour Party
   c) Scheduled Caste Federation/Republican Party of India.

3. Post- Ambedkar Dalit Politics (15 hours)
   a) Dalit Panther/Republican Party of India/ Bharatiya Republican Party-
      Bahujan Mahasangh
   b) Dalit Sangharsha Samiti
   c) Bahujan Samaj Party.

4. Issues and Concerns of Dalit Movements (15 hours)
   a) Reservation, dalit middle class
   b) Atrocities against dalits, conversions
   c) Identity, autonomy, ideology.

Reading List: Dalit Movement In India


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ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PAPOL E 204-: DEMOCRACY AND MEDIA

(6 credits, 60 hours)
1 Introduction (15 hours)
a) Classical Models of media system: libertarian, social responsibility and authoritarian; critique: Marxist and Critical theory.
b) Public opinion, freedom of speech and expression.
c) Constitutional framework, freedom of the press

2 Political Economy of Media (15 hours)
a) Ownership: Public, Private
b) Regulation: Print, Broadcast, Internet.
c) Copyright, Information Technology Act, Article 19, International Bill of Rights.

3 Content Regulation (15 hours)
a) Protecting the state: Censorship, Parliamentary privileges, Contempt of Court, Official Secrets Act.
b) Defending Individual rights: Defamation, right to privacy.
c) Self-regulation, accountability

4 Emerging challenges and prospects (15 hours)
a) Boundaries: Public order, hate speech, national security.
b) Media and marginalization: caste, gender, language.
c) Election coverage – Paid news, public relations and advertisements.

Reading List: Democracy And Media

13. Reidfeld, Helmut and Bhargava, Rajeev Ed (2005), *Civil Society, Public Sphere and Citizenship: Dialogues and Perceptions*, Sage: New Delhi, Chapters 3, 4, 8 and 9
15. B. Cammaerts and N. Carpentier (Eds) *Reclaiming the Media: communication rights and democratic media roles.*, Intellect, Bristol, 2007
1. Democracy and Democratic Concerns
   a) Liberal democracy; Egalitarian Thrust
   b) Autonomy, choice and the concept of Good
   c) Deliberation; minorities and individual freedom.

2. The Notion of Differentiated Citizenship
   a) Multiculturalism
   b) Group rights and representation
   c) Individual rights and preferential consideration.

3. Democracy and Identity Politics
   a) Understanding identity politics: caste, race, religion, gender
   b) Critique of identity politics: Liberal, Marxists, Poststructuralists
   c) Identity politics and inclusion.

4. Democracy and Plurality in India
   a) Challenges: issues of exclusion, discrimination, criminalisation
   b) Repression: state and non-state actors
   c) The resilience of democracy in India: voter turnout, decentralisation, new institutions of democratic accountability.

Reading List: Democracy, Pluralism and Citizenship


**ELECTIVE PAPER**

**CODE NO: PA POL E 206: DEVELOPMENT DISCOURSE**
(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Understanding Development (15 Hours)
   
   a) Development and underdevelopment.
   b) Theories of Development
   c) Neo-Liberal

2. Development through the Decades (15 Hours)
   
   a) From Economic to Human Development
   b) Structural Adjustment Programme, Washington Consensus
   c) Right to Development

3. Equity and Social Justice (15 Hours)
   
   a) Women and development
   b) Indigenous people and Development
   c) Minorities and Development

4. Shaping Development (15 Hours)
   
   a) New Economy
   b) Social capital
   C) Democracy and Development

Reading List: Development Discourse


1. **Introduction** (15 hours)
   a) Meaning, definition and importance
   b) Evolution of e-governance, information society and community empowerment, stages of e-governance

2. **Policy and Administrative Framework in India** (15 hours)
   a) Information Technology Act and National e-Governance Programme, National Informatics Centre
   b) National e-Governance Plan
   c) Citizen database and human development.

3. **E-administration: Case Studies** (15 hours)
   a) Land records computerisation: Bhoomi (Karnataka), Stamps and Registration Information Technology Based Administration (Maharashtra), Lokvani Project (Uttar Pradesh)
   b) Citizen’s service: E-Seva (Andhra Pradesh), Integrated Citizen Facilitation Centres (Maharashtra), Citizen Facilitation Centers, (Maharashtra) Akshaya, (Kerala)
   c) Computerisation of courts, e-procurement project, centralised admission for professional courses, online complaint management system.

4. **Problems and Prospects** (15 hours)
   a) Digital divide: gender, class, minorities, rural-urban
   b) Security issues, cyberhacking
   c) Increasing connectivity, improvements in technology.

**Reading List: Electronic Governance**


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ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PAPOL E 208-: ETHICS, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC POLICY

(6 credits, 60 hours)

1. Introduction (15 hours)
   a) Definition: objectivist (absolutist) and interpretivist (situational ethics)
   b) Theories of ethics: duty-based, rights-based, virtue-based and outcome-based
   c) Public ethics and personal ethics, professional ethics, rationality and objectivity in ethics.

2. Major Concerns in Public Life (15 hours)
   a) Combating Corruption: graft, bribery, and conflict of interest
   b) Transparency and accountability
   c) Equity and fairness.

3. Ethical Debates and Issues in Public Policy and Administration (15 hours)
   a) Reservation, affirmative policies
   b) Immigration policy
   c) Secularism and minority rights.

4. Mapping Ethical Dilemmas: Case Studies in Making Choices (15 hours)
   a) Capital punishment, suicide, abortion and euthanasia
   b) Free Speech, hate speech
   c) Clinical Trials in developing countries: vaccines, new drugs.

Reading List: Ethics, Public Administration and Public Policy

ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PAPOL E 209: INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW

(6 credits, 60 hours)

1. Introduction (15 hours)
   a) Geneva Conventions of 1949 and Additional Protocols of 1977 relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts
   b) Biological Weapons Convention; Conventional Weapons Convention and its five protocols; Chemical Weapons Convention; Ottawa Convention on Anti-Personnel Mines
   c) Humanitarian laws and human rights.

2. Substantive Challenges (15 hours)
   a) The concept of armed conflict; distinction between legality of aims and legality of means, civilians and combatants, child soldiers
   b) Combatant status and protection of prisoners of war
   c) Protection of civilian persons in the power of the enemy.

3. Challenges in Implementation (15 hours)
   a) Asymmetric warfare, engaging non-state armed groups, regulating means of warfare
   b) Role of the United Nations
   c) International Committee of the Red Cross.

4. Emerging Roles (15 hours)
   a) Economic sanctions, state responsibility, humanitarian intervention, International disasters and emergencies
   b) International Humanitarian Law and the "War on Terror"
   c) Internal violence, media and International Humanitarian Law.

Reading List: International Humanitarian Law

ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PAPOL E 210: INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY

(6 credits, 60 hours)

1. Approaches to the study of IPE (15 hours)
   a) Realist
   b) Liberal
   c) Marxist

2. International monetary and financial structures (15 hours)
   a) IMF
   b) World Bank
   c) Proposals for reforms

3. World Trade Organisation (15 hours)
   a) From GATT to WTO – agriculture and trade in services
   b) Special and Differential Treatment
   c) Developing Countries and the WTO

4. International Regimes (15 hours)
   a) TRIPS, TRIMS
   b) Trade Policy Review Mechanism, Dispute Settlement Mechanism
   c) MNCs, TNCs, FIIs and Non-governmental groups

Reading List: International Political Economy

Books


9. पैंडसे, अरुणा आणि उत्तरा सहस्रबुधे आंतरराष्ट्रीय संबंध: शीतयुद्धातून आणि

जागतिकीकरणाचे राजकारण. (2008, मुंबई, ओरिएंट लॉगमन)


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ELECTIVE
CODE NO: PAPOL E 211-: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN REGION

(6 credits, 60 hours)

1. Mapping the region (15 hours)
   a) States on the rim/littoral, hinterland states, extra-regional powers
   b) Natural Resources and Growth Potential
   c) Sea Lanes of Communication (SLOCs)

2. Maritime policies of major powers (15 hours)
   a) India, Australia
   b) United States
   c) Russia, China

3. Disputes and potential threats (15 hours)
   a) Maritime boundaries, continental shelf
   b) Exclusive Economic Zone
   c) Threat of piracy and terrorist activities

4. Initiatives for security and co-operation (15 hours)
   a) Maritime Peacekeeping, Cooperative Maritime Security
   b) Regional Security Initiatives
   c) US and Indian initiatives

Reading List: International Relations In The Indian Ocean Region

Books

6. Mishra, R.N. *Indian Ocean and India’s Security*, (1986: Delhi, Mittal Publications)


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ELECTIVE

CODE NO.: PAPOL E 212: INTRODUCTION TO INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Knowledge, Innovation and Intellectual Property Rights (15 hours)
   a) Evolution of intellectual property: pre-intellectual property system of protection: secrecy/trade guilds/cartels, emergence of intellectual property
   b) Justification of intellectual property: consequentialist, right based and economic.
   c) Alternatives to intellectual property rights, Tragedy of the Anticommons.

2. Internationalisation of Intellectual Property Rights (15 hours)
   a) Intellectual property statutes – origin and internationalisation
   b) World Trade Organization framework and the Agreement Related to Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights, new forms of intellectual property rights

3. Intellectual Property Rights in India (15 hours)
   b) Intellectual property rights in India and progressive harmonisation with international standards

4. Intellectual Property Rights and Select Sectors (15 hours)
   a) Pharmaceutical industry
   b) Agriculture
   c) Biotechnology, life form patenting (technical and ethical issues).

Reading List: Introduction to Intellectual Property Rights

Useful Websites

- World Trade Organization: wto.org
- World Intellectual Property Organization: wipo.org
- The South Centre: http://www.southcentre.org
- Patent Office of India: www.patentoffice.nic.in/

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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 213 : ISSUES IN RURAL GOVERNANCE IN INDIA

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Introduction – Institutional Framework (15 hours)
   a) Democratic decentralisation - panchayati raj: organisational structure, elections
   b) Seventy-third constitutional amendment, distribution of powers and Functions; intra tier responsibilities (the Eleventh Schedule)
   c) Reservation for women, scheduled castes and scheduled tribes.

2. Issues in Decentralisation (15 hours)
   a) Functional decentralisation, decentralised planning
   b) Fiscal decentralisation
   c) Accountability.

3. Key Central Government Initiatives for Rural India (15 hours)
   a) National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
   b) National Rural Health Mission, Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme
   c) Sarva Shiksha Abhyan.

4. People’s Participation in the Administrative Process (15 hours)
   a) Non-governmental organisations
   b) Self help groups
   c) Users’ associations and parastatals.

Reading List: Issues in Rural Governance in India

ELECTIVE PAPER

Code No.: PAPOL E 214 : POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY IN INDIA

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Approaches (15 Hours)
   a) Marxist and Neo-Marxist Approaches
   b) Pluralist Approach
   c) System’s approach

2. Important Concepts (15 hours)
   a) State and Civil society
   b) Political Culture
   c) Political Processes

3. Social Asymmetries and Politics (15 hours)
   a) Class, and Elites Theories.
   b) Caste, and Ethnicity
   c) Gender and Politics.

4. Protest and Change (15 Hours)
   a) Working class and peasant movements
   b) New Social Movements
   c) Politics of Violence

Reading List: Political Sociology In India


Gupta, Dipankar (ed), Social Stratification, Oxford University Press, New Delhi.


ELECTIVE PAPER
CODE NO. : PAPOL E 215: POLITICAL THOUGHT IN MODERN INDIA
(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Liberal Tradition (15 Hours)
   a) Dadabhai Naoroji,
   b) M.G. Ranade
   C) Gopal Krishna Gokhale

2. Engaging with Modernity (15 hours)
   a) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
   b) Mahatma. Gandhi,
   c) Jawaharlal Nehru

3. Anti-Caste Discourse: (15 Hours)
   a) Mahatma Jotirao Phule,
   b) Babasaheb Ambedkar,
   c) Ramaswamy Naicker

4. Cultural Nationalism (15 Hours)
   a) Vinayak Damodar Savarkar
   b) M.S. Golwalkar
   c) Mohammad Ali Jinnah.
Reading List: Political Thought In Modern India:


Elective Paper

Code No: PAPOL E 216: Politics of Region and Sub-regional Development in Maharashtra

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. The material, social and political bases of region and sub-regions (15 hours)
   a. Developmental imbalance/disparity
   b. Linguistic identity and cultural ideology of the region
   c. Elite competition for political power

2. Formation of the region and sub-regions in Maharashtra (15 Hours)
   a. Historical background of Western Maharashtra, Vidarbha, Marathwada
   b. Samyukta Maharashtra Movement
   c. Demand for and politics of separate Vidarbha

3. Political economy and Political Processes of sub-regions (15 Hours)
   a. Vidarbha and Marathwada
   b. Western Maharashtra
   c. Mumbai and Konkan

4. Institutional responses to sub-regional imbalance (15 Hours)
   a. Political Adjustments
   b. Statutory Development Boards
   c. Allocation of resources

Readings List: Politics of Region and Sub-regional Development in Maharashtra

Attwood, Donald W., 1993, Raising Cane: The Political Economy of Sugar in Western India, Delhi, Oxford University Press.


ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL - E 217: Rural Governance in Comparative Perspective
(6 Credits 6 and 60 Hours)

1. Introduction (15 Hours)
   a) Decentralisation and rural governance
   b) Contextual importance
   c) Local Vs Global debate

2. Rural Local Governance in India (15 Hours)
   a) Conceptual Understanding: Ancient and Modern
   b) Constitutional framework: 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act
   c) Comparative analysis of Indian Rural Governance with Western models of Local governance.

3. Panchayati Raj Institutions: The Central Processing Units of Democracy (15 Hours)
   a) Government initiatives to empower local (issues of Representation, Social Capital and social Audit)
   b) Working of Gram Sabha
   c) Comparative study of Maharashtra, Karnataka, West Bengal & Madhya Pradesh

4. Rural local governance and Globalisation (15 Hours)
   a) Rural development: Rurbanisation
   b) Capacity building at the grassroots
   c) Glocalisation

Reading List: Rural Governance in Global Context


4) Shah Anwar & Shah Sana, Local Governments in Developing Countries, World Bank, 2006

6) Rural Governance: International Perspectives - Edited by L. Cheshire, Vaughan Higgins and Geoffrey Lawrence

7) Bardhan Pranab & Mukherjee Dilip, *Decentralization and local Governments in developing Countries: Comparative perspective*, Oxford University Press, 2007


ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 218 : SOUTH ASIA

(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. INTRODUCTION (15 hours)
   a) Geopolitical Characteristics
   b) Historical Background: Colonialism and the emergence of independent states
   c) Nation building: Objectives and impediments

2. DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT (15 hours)
   a) Democracy and Authoritarianism
   b) Violation and protection of Human Rights
   c) Poverty, inequality and discrimination

3. INTER-STATE DISPUTES/CONFLICTS (15 hours)
   a) River water sharing disputes, Border disputes
   b) Cross-border terrorism
   c) Nuclearisation

4. REGIONALISM AND REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS (15 hours)
   a) Regionalism
   b) South Asian Regionalism in the context of globalisation
   c) South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation

Reading List: South Asia

SEMESTER-III
1. Rights (15 hours)
   a) Theories of rights.
   b) Problems in the idea of rights – group based vs individual rights
   c) Civil, political, socio-economic and cultural rights; human rights.

2. Equality (15 hours)
   a) Contestations on equality
   b) Equality of treatment vs. treatment as equals
   c) Equality of resources and outcomes.

3. Justice (15 hours)
   a) Justice as fairness- John Rawls
   b) Justice as entitlement- Robert Nozick, Amartya Sen
   c) Justice as embedded- Michael Sandel, Iris Young.

4. Coercion and consent (15 hours)
   a) Power and authority
   b) Hegemony
   c) Legitimation.

Reading List: Political Theory-II


Useful website

- Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy: http://www.iep.utm.edu/home/welcome
- Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy: http://plato.stanford.edu/
1. Understanding Comparative Politics. (15 HOURS)
   a) Nature and Scope of Comparative Politics
   b) Old institutionalism and New Institutionalism.
   c) Global context of Comparative Politics

2. Development of Modern State. (15 HOURS)
   a) State in a comparative framework
   b) State and Nation
   c) Postcolonial State.

3. The Polity (15 HOURS)
   a) Constitution and Constitutionalism
   b) Democratic Systems
   c) Non-Democratic Systems

4. Political Process (15 HOURS)
   a) Political Party and Pressure groups
   b) Public Opinion and Mass media.
   c) Civil Society and Social Movements

Reading List: Comparative Politics

1. Caramani Daniele, *Comparative Politics*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2010


SEMESTER III
CODE NO: PA POL E 301: APPROACHES AND THEORIES OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

(6 Credits, 60 hours)

1. Liberalism (15 Hours)
   a) Classical liberalism
   b) Theory of Complex Interdependence, theory of Democratic Peace
   c) Neo-liberal Institutionalism

2. Realism (15 Hours)
   a) Classical realism
   b) Neo-realism
   c) Strategic Realism, Defensive Realism

3. Marxist approaches (15 Hours)
   a) Classical Marxism
   b) Dependency Theory, World System Theory
   c) Critical Theory

4. New approaches (15 Hours)
   a) Constructivism
   b) Postmodernism
   c) Feminism, Environmentalism

Reading List

Books


ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 302: CONTEMPORARY MARXIST THEORY

(6 Credits, 60 hours)

1. Analytical
   (15 hours)
   a) Gerald A. Cohen
   b) John Roemer
   c) Jon Elster.

2. Frankfurt School
   (15 hours)
   a) Jürgen Habermas
   b) Herbert Marcuse
   c) Claus Offe.

3. Hegemony, Existential, Discourse
   (15 hours)
   a) Antonio Gramsci
   b) Jean-Paul Sartre
   c) Michel Foucault.

4. Instrumental vs Structuralist
   (15 hours)
   a) Louis Althusser
   b) NicosPoulantzas and Ralph Miliband
   c) Bob Jessop.

Reading List: Contemporary Marxist Theory


Useful Website

- www.marxists.org

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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 303: DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC POLICY (WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO INDIA)
6 Credits (60 hours)

1. Introduction (15 hours)
   a) The Discourse on development: From development as economic growth to human development to well-being and happiness.
   b) Indian State and Its developmental trajectory
   c) Social indicators of development.

2. India’s Developmental Strategy: The Era of Planned Development (15 hours)
   a) Planning Institutions: The Planning Commission and the National Development Council
   b) Poverty: measurement and alleviation programmes.
   c) Liberalisation policy, disinvestment.

3. Infrastructure Development and Public Policy (15 hours)
   a) Transportation
   b) Telecommunication
   c) Power.

4. Challenges of Development
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7. (15 hours)
   a) Development induced displacement
   b) Special economic zone
   c) Environmental degradation.

Reading List: Development And Public Policy (With Special Reference To India)

3. Chakrabarty, Bidyut, and Bhattacharya, Mohit (Eds.), The Governance Discourse A Reader, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2008.
15. Mehta, AashaKapur, and Shephard, Andrew (Eds.), *Chronic Poverty and Development Policy in India*, Sage, New Delhi, 2006.
SEMESTER III

ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NUMBER: PA POL E 304: FORCED MIGRATION STUDIES

(6 Credits, 60 hours)

1. Historical and legal perspectives on displacement (20 hours)
   a. Etymology, history of displaced persons as mass phenomenon
   b. Frames of looking at displacement: international, anthropological and social science perspectives.
   c. The refugee regime, Internally displaced persons

2. Displacement due to development (15 hours)
   a. Anthropological and sociological studies, Impoverishment, Risks and Reconstruction model
   b. People’s movements
   c. Principle of eminent domain, Land Acquisition Act and amendment bill, draft National Policy, Packages and Guidelines for Resettlement and Rehabilitation for Project Affected Families

3. Displacement due to natural disasters (10 hours)
   b. Migration due to famine, drought
   c. National and state level administrative organisation for disaster management and relief

4. Displacement due to conflict (15 hours)
   a. Displacement due to communal violence: major riots and pogroms
   b. Displacement due to ethnic conflict
   c. Displacement due to political and social movements: state formation, language riots, reservation.

Reading List: Forced Migration Studies

ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 305: FOREIGN POLICY OF CHINA
6 Credits (60 hours)

I. Historical perspectives (15 Hours)
   a) Imperial traditions, Ideology and historical influences in Chinese politics
   b) National ethos, National interest
   c) Nationalism and Revolutionary legacy

II. Determinants of foreign policy (15 Hours)
   a) Role of Personalities
   b) Party system
   c) PLA and PLAN

III. China and Major Powers (15 Hours)
   a) US and Europe
   b) Russia
   c) Asia Pacific and ASEAN

IV. China and the World (15 Hours)
   a) South Asia
   b) Central Asia and West Asia
   c) Africa and Latin America

Reading List: Foreign Policy Of China

5. Byrnes, Michael T., “The Death of a People’s Army,” in George Hicks
ELECTIVE
CODE NO: PA POL E 306: INTRODUCTION TO METHODS IN RESEARCH
(6 Credits, 60 hours)

1. Concepts and vocabulary (15 hours)
   a. Scientific method: basic assumptions, methods of Karl Popper and Thomas Kuhn, Limitations of scientific method and alternatives
   b. Hypotheses, theories, models, classifications, ideal types
   c. Theoretical or empirical, Inductive or Deductive, Quantitative or qualitative, Normative or Positive, feminist perspectives.

2. Types of research (15 hours)
   a. Quantitative data analysis: Observations, variables, operational definitions, coding
   b. Qualitative data analysis: ethnography, coding, indexing etc.
   c. Mixed methods and grounded studies

3. Methods and sites of inquiry (15 hours)
   a. Historical Method
   b. Case Study Method
   c. Comparative Method

4. Types of Data, data collection methods and writing techniques (15 hours)
   a. Individual or Aggregate, Cross-sectional or Time-series, Experimental or Observational
   b. Sampling techniques, Interviews, group discussions etc.

Reading List: Introduction To Methods In Research


Useful Website:

http://www.socialresearchmethods.net/kb/contents.php
1. Introduction (
15 hours)

a) Public management reforms, blurring the difference between public and market
b) Organisational changes, values and culture of New Public Management: disaggregation, competition, and incentivisation

2. Public Management Reforms: Institutional (15 hours)

a) Changing role of the state and government: Hollowed out state, congested state
b) Governance approach, new forms of organisational structure, new regulatory agencies
c) Decentralisation of public sector.

3. Public Management Reforms: Procedural (15 hours)

a) Civil service reform: pay structure, performance evaluation
b) Management of results
c) Quality management, accreditation.

4. Alternative Service Delivery Mechanisms in Social Sector (15 hours)

a) Public sector, dismantling monopolies, issue of core competence
b) Not for profit sector: changing role of civil society organisations
c) New forms of private sector involvement: public/private partnerships, private finance initiative.

Reading List: New Public Management


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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 308: POLITICAL ECONOMY OF INDIA

Credits 6 (60 hours)

1. Understanding Political Economy (15 Hours)
   b) Major Approaches
   c) State and Economic Change.

2. Changing Nature of Political Economy (15 Hours)
   a) Colonial and Post-colonial state
   b) Ruling classes and masses.
   c) Politics of Economic Liberalisation

3. Agriculture (15 Hours)
   a) Agrarian Class structure
   b) Politics of Land Reforms, capitalist development of agriculture.
   c) Crisis of Peasantry, land and global capital.

4. Industry (15 Hours)
   a) Changing Nature of Manufacture
   b) Capital and Capitalist Class
   c) Working Class: organized and unorganised.

Reading List: Political Economy Of India


Journal References.

1. Liberalism  
   a) Dadabhai Naoroji
   b) Ganesh Vyankatesh Joshi
   c) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

2. Nationalism  
   a. Bal Gangadhar Tilak, 
   b. Gopal Krishna Gokhale 
   c. Vinayak Damodar Savarkar.

3. Women’s Emancipation  
   a. Tarabai Shinde 
   b. Gopal Ganesh Agarkar 
   c. Pandita Ramabai.

4. Gandhism and Socialism  
   a. S.D. Jawadekar 
   b. Vinoba Bhave 
   c. S.A. Dange.

Reading List: Political Thought In Maharashtra

1. Chousalkar, Ashok S. (Ed), Nation, Civil society and State in Western India, Department of Political Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, 2009.


11. Pantham, Thomas, and Deutsch, Kenneth (Eds.), *Political Thought in Modern India*, Sage, New Delhi, 1986.


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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 310: POLITICAL THOUGHT OF DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR

CREDITS: 6 (60 HOURS)

1. Critique of British Imperialism and Indian Nationalism (15 hours)
   a) Critique of British Imperialism
   b) Views on nation and nationalism
   c) Indian Nationalism: Ambedkar-Gandhi Debate.

2. Political Thought (15 hours)
   a) State, constitutionalism, parliamentary democracy
   b) Minority rights, social democracy
   c) Marxism and socialism.

3. Economic Thought (15 hours)
   a) Imperial Indian economy
   b) Khoti Abolition Bill and Mahar Watan Bill
   c) State socialism.

4. Interpretation of Buddhism (15 hours)
   a) Dhamma and Dharma
   b) Buddhism and communism
   c) Navyan: Buddhism and social reconstruction.

Reading List: Political Thought Of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 311-: REGIONALISM IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

6 Credits (60 hours)

1. Understanding Regionalism (15 Hours)
   a) Meaning of regionalism, basic concepts
   b) Evolution of regionalism
   c) Regionalism and multilateralism, regionalism and globalisation

2. Theories of Regionalism (15 Hours)
   a) Realist theories
   b) Functionalism and neo-functionalism
   c) New Regionalism Theory

3. Regional Experiences – I (15 Hours)
   a) Europe
   b) Southeast Asia, Asia-Pacific
   c) South Asia, Central Asia

4. Regional Experiences – I (15 Hours)
   a) Africa
   b) Latin America
   c) North America

Reading List:

Books

2. Amorim, Joao, Mario Avelar & Ulrich Niemann (eds.) – *Integration or Disintegration of the Modern World: Experiences in Europe and Asia*, (Lectures from the Fifth ASEF University) (2001: Singapore; Asia Europe Foundation)
12. Tow, William et. al. (eds.) – *Asia’s Emerging Regional Order: Reconciling Traditional and Human Security*; (2000: Tokyo; UN University)

**Journals**

1. *Europe-Asia Studies*
2. *International Organizations*
3. *International Studies Quarterly*
4. *Pacific Affairs*
5. *Asian Survey*
SOUTHEAST ASIA

1. Nationalism and nation-building (15 Hours)
   a) Indonesia, Malaysia
   b) Philippines, Myanmar
   c) Thailand, Vietnam

2. Challenge of democratic institution-building (15 Hours)
   a) Indonesia, Malaysia
   b) Philippines, Thailand
   c) Myanmar, Singapore

3. Issues in economy and security (15 Hours)
   a) Economic growth, Financial Crisis and recovery
   b) Ethnic conflicts, religious extremism, Terrorism
   c) Territorial disputes

4. Regionalism in Southeast Asia (15 Hours)
   a) Association of Southeast Asian Nations
   b) AEAN Regional Forum
   c) Asia-Pacific Economic Community, East Asia Summit

Reading List: Southeast Asia

Books


Journals

1. *Contemporary Southeast Asia*
2. *Journal of Asian Studies*
3. *Pacific Affairs*
4. *Pacific Review*
5. *Third World Quarterly*

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ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 313- STATE, CIVIL SOCIETY AND MARKET

6 Credits (60 hours)

1. State – Approaches (15 hours)
   a) Liberal, Neo-liberal
   b) Marxist, Neo Marxist
   c) New Institutionalism.

2. Civil Society (15 hours)
   a) Meaning, origins
   b) Recent debates: democratic, communitarian, neoconservative
   c) Critique of Civil Society: normative (Hannah Arendt), historicist (Jürgen Habermas), genealogical (Michel Foucault).
   d) 

3. Market (15 hours)
   a) Historical and theoretical frameworks, types, free market?
   b) Market citizenship
      a) Concerns: commodification, commercialisation, efficiency, equity and fairness.

4. State, market and Civil Society (15 hours)
   a) State, Market and citizens;Market triumphalism,Corporate social responsibility, business and human rights
   b) Consumer protection
   c) Issues of accountability, particularist civility vs. democratic civility.

Reading List: - State, Civil Society And Market

1. Approaches to Strategic Thought (15 hours)
   a) Traditional – Karl von Clausewitz
   b) Geopolitics - Alfred Mahan, Sergei Gorshkov
   c) Military-Industrial-Complex - Eisenhower

2. Conceptual Framework (15 hours)
   a) Deterrence: concept, nuclear deterrence and current relevance
   b) Hegemony and dominance
   c) Arms race, balancing and bandwagoning.

3. Contemporary Warfare (15 hours)
   a) Conventional warfare in the nuclear age
   b) Total and limited war, asymmetric warfare, terrorism, counter-terrorism
   c) Guerilla warfare, insurgency, low intensity war, proxy war.

4. Strategic Culture (15 hours)
   a) Sources: physical, political and social; Constructivism
   b) Case studies of strategic culture: China, USA, Russia, Pakistan, India
   c) Military technology, weapons of mass destruction and other weapons systems.

Reading List: Strategic Studies

1. Introduction (15 hours)
   a) Urban governance: meaning and evolution, urbanisation in Maharashtra, changing nature of urban demography, migration
   b) Institutional arrangements in Maharashtra: constitutional provision, state municipal laws, judicial intervention, role of state and central financial bodies, financing the urban local bodies
   c) Role of non-state actors in urban governance: corporate sector, civil society.

2. Land and Housing (15 hours)
   a) Housing policy
   b) Organisational structure
   c) Slums and slum rehabilitation.

3. Select Utilities (15 hours)
   a) Health Policy
   b) Policy for water sector
   c) Transport sector
   d) Waste management (solid waste and sewerage).

4. Law and Order (15 hours)
   a) Main concerns: poverty, crime, terrorism, communal riots
   b) Policy evolution.
   c) Policing, role of community policing.

Reading List: Urban Governance In Maharashtra


Useful website

- [http://www.maha-arogya.gov.in/projectandschemes/urbanrch%5Cdefault.htm](http://www.maha-arogya.gov.in/projectandschemes/urbanrch%5Cdefault.htm)
SEMESTER - IV
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MASTER OF ARTS (HONOURS) POLITICS AS PER THE CREDIT BASED  
SEMESTER AND GRADING SYSTEM  

SEMESTER IV (2013-14 Onwards)  

CORE PAPER VII  

CODE NO: PA POL 401: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS II  
(6 Credits, 60 hours)  

1. Approaches to IR – I  
   a) Liberalism  
   b) Realism  
   c) Constructivism  

2. Approaches to IR – II  
   a) Marxist approaches  
   b) Critical Theory  
   c) Feminist approach  

3. International Political Economy and Globalisation  
   a) Bretton Woods Institutions – evolving role  
   b) Content and impact of globalisation  
   c) Regional blocs, regional organisations and Free Trade Agreements.  

4. Issues in Human Security  
   a) Poverty, Development, Environment  
   b) Human Rights, Humanitarian Intervention  
   c) Migration  

Reading List: International Relations II  

Books  


8. पंडासे, अरुण आणि उत्तरा सहस्रबद्ध आंतरराष्ट्रीय संबंध: शीतयुद्धात्तर आणि जागतिकीकरणाचे राजकारण, (2008, मुंबई, ओरिएंट लॉग्मन)

**Journals**

1. *Current History*
2. *Economist*
3. *International Relations*
4. *Orbis*
5. *World Politics*
CORE PAPER VII

CODE NO: PA POL 402-A: INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS II
(6 Credits, 60 hours)

1. Constitution as Instrument of Socio-Economic Change (15 hours)
   a) Making of the Indian Constitution, salient features, Preamble
   c) Constitutional amendments.

2. Federalism in Indian Constitution (15 hours)
   a) Federal structure
   b) Re-organisation of the states
   c) Emerging trends in centre-state relations.

3. Parliamentary Institutions (15 hours)
   a) Union Executives: President, Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers
   b) Role and significance of the Parliament.
   c) Judicial independence and judicial activism, debate between Judiciary and Parliament.

4. State and Local Governments (15 hours)
   a) Governor, Chief Minister and the Council of Ministers
   b) Panchayati raj and the Seventy-third constitutional amendment
   c) Municipal government and the Seventy-fourth constitutional amendment.

Reading List: Indian Government And Politics II


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CORE PAPER VII

CODE NO: PA POL 402-B: PUBLIC POLICY
(6 Credits, 60 hours)

1. Approaches (15 hours)
   a) Institutional, Systems, Decision Making
   b) Elitist, Pluralist, Rational Choice (Game theory)
   c) Marxist, Critical.

2. Processes (15 hours)
   a) Identifying problems, agenda setting, formulation, decision making
   b) Implementation
   c) Evaluation.

3. Context of Policy Formulation (15 hours)
   a) Executive, and judiciary
   b) Legislature, political parties
   c) International and transnational agencies

4. The Role and Influence of Non-state Actors (15 hours)
   a) Non-governmental organisations.
   b) Pressure groups, interests groups
   c) Mass media and public opinion.

Reading List: : Public Policy


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ELECTIVE PAPERS

CODE NO: PA POL E 401: CYBER POLITICS
(6 Credits, 60 hours)

1. Cyberspace: Origins, Technologies, and Political Terrain (15 hours)
   
a) Technology and politics, nature of cyberspace, internet governance, World Summit on Information society.
   b) Politics mediated by info-technology: redefining key concepts - nation, sovereignty, community, public-private.
   c) Three approaches to building cyber-democracy: Individualistic, Communitarian and Deliberative.

2. Political Participation and Cyberspace (15 hours)
   
a) Public Sphere: Jürgen Habermas and Hannah Arendt
   b) Digital campaigning and voting, and civic engagement online: chat rooms, blogging, tweeting and other networking sites
   c) Network society, cyberactivism.

3. Current Problems and Opportunities (15 hours)
   
a) Digital divide: gender, linguistic, class, region.
   b) Privatisation and enclosure of cyberspace
   c) Free and open source software movement, copyleft and creative commons practice.

4. Emerging Challenges and Prospects (15 hours)
   
a) Emergence of a surveillance society, protection of privacy and civil liberties, censorship
   b) Cybercrime, cyber-terrorism, cyberpolicing
   c) Emergent discords and accords; Human Rights in Cyberspace.

Reading List: Cyber politics


ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PA POL E 402: FEMINIST POLITICAL THEORY

CREDITS: 6 (60 HOURS)

1. Liberal Feminism (15 hours)
   a) Mary Wollstonecraft, John Stuart Mill, Harriet Taylor
   b) Carole Pateman
   c) Susan Okin.

2. Marxist Feminism (15 hours)
   a) Friedrich Engels, Lenin,
   b) Alexandra Kollontai
   c) Sheila Rowbotham.

3. Radical Feminism (15 hours)
   a) Kate Millett
   b) Andrea Dworkin
   c) Mary Daly.

4. Challenges to Universality of Feminist Theory (15 hours)
   a) Black Feminism
   b) Post Colonial
   c) Post Modern.

Reading List: Feminist Political Theory


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ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PA POL E 403: FOREIGN POLICY OF RUSSIA

CREDITS: 6 (60 HOURS)

1. Framework of Russian foreign policy (15 Hours)
   a) “Atlanticism” – Post-Soviet tilt towards the West
   b) “Eurasianism” – re-orientation towards “Near Abroad” and Asia
   c) Instruments of Russian power – military, nuclear weapons and technology

2. Determinants of foreign policy (15 Hours)
   a) Institutional Actors – President, Prime Minister, Duma
   b) Geo-economics of energy security
   c) Geopolitics of NATO expansion

3. Russia and the world – I (15 Hours)
   a) US
   b) China
   c) Europe

4. Russia and the world – II (15 Hours)
   a) CIS
   b) Asia
   c) Africa

Reading List: Foreign Policy of Russia

ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PA POL E 404: FOREIGN POLICY OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CREDITS: 6 (60 HOURS)

1. Evolution of US Foreign Policy (15 Hours)
   a) Instruments of policy – military, economic, soft power
   b) Policy of Containment – Alliances, Aid, Intervention
   c) Policy of Engagement – Democracy, Development, Human Rights
2. Foreign Policy-Making: Determinants and Process (15 Hours)
   a) Constitution, Geography, Economy, Technology, Systemic factors
   b) Institutional Actors – President, Congress, Bureaucracy
   c) Domestic Context – Political Parties, Lobbies, Mass Media
3. US and the World – I (15 Hours)
   a) China, Russia
   b) Europe, Japan
   c) India
4. US and the World – II (15 Hours)
   a) West, South and Central Asia
   b) Southeast Asia
   c) Latin America

Reading List:

Books

3. Cameron, Fraser *US Foreign Policy after the Cold War: Global Hegemon or Reluctant Sheriff?*, (2002: New York, Routledge)


ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PA POL E 405: INTERNAL SECURITY IN INDIA
CREDITS: 6 (60 HOURS)

1. National Security (15 hours)
   a) Basic Concepts: nation, nationalism, nation state, national power and national security
   b) National security internal dimensions: values, structures and processes
   c) Internal security organisations, internal security decision-making structures.

2. Terrorism and National Security (15 hours)
   a) Definitional problems and classification
   b) Terrorist organisations
   c) Counter terrorism.

3. Ethnic and Communal Violence (15 hours)
   a) Chakmas, Gorkhas
   b) Communal riots/violence in Delhi, Mumbai, Gujarat
   c) Recurring attacks on minorities.

4. State Response (15 hours)
   a) Laws to deal with terrorism
   b) Laws against communal riots
   c) Combating insurgency.

Reading List: Internal Security In India

10  Singh, Samarveer, India’s Quest For Internal Security, Sumit, Delhi, 2009.
ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PA POL E 406: MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF MEGACITIES:
STUDY OF MUMBAI
CREDITS: 6 (60 HOURS)

1. Understanding Megacity Concept
   a) Megacity: Meaning and Characteristics
   b) Emergence of Megacities; A Comparative Review
   c) Issues and Concerns of Megacities
   (15 Hours)

2. Mumbai the Megacity
   a) Mumbai: Urban Origins and History
   b) Growth of Mumbai as a Megacity
   c) Development in Mumbai Metropolitan Region
   (15 Hours)

3. Changing Metropolitan Political Economy
   a) Informal Sector
   b) Migration
   c) Slums
   (15 Hours)

4. Strategies for meeting challenges
   a) From Growth to Inclusive Development
   b) Civic Activism
   c) Twinning of Megacities
   (15 Hours)

Reading List: Meeting The Challenges of Megacities: Study of Mumbai

1. Frauke Kraas, Megacities and Global Change in East, Southeast and South Asia
   ASIEN 103, April 2007, 9-22

2. Barney Cohen, Urbanization in developing countries: Current trends, future
   projections, and key challenges for sustainability, Technology in Society 28 (2006)
   63–80

3. Frederick van der Ploega and Steven Poelhekkeb Globalization and the rise of
   mega-cities in the developing world, Cambridge Journal of Regions, Economy and
   Society 2008, 1, 477–501


5. Thomas Blom Hansen, Wages of Violence: Naming and Identity in Postcolonial


1. Definition and Concepts (15 HOURS)
   a) Meaning of Identity
   b) Construction of Identity
   c) Critique of Identity Politics

2. Dynamics of Identity Politics (15 HOURS)
   a) Hegemony, Contestations
   b) Ethnic, National and Sub-national conflicts
   c) Institutional and political responses to Conflicts

3. Identity and Citizenship (15 HOURS)
   a) Migrants
   b) Refugees
   c) Stateless people

4. Identity in the Global Age (15 HOURS)
   a) Multiculturalism
   b) Impact of Mass media
   c) Globalization and Identity

Reading List: New Politics of Identity


Development Research Centre on Identity, Citizenship, Participation and Accountability, available at [www.drc.citizenship-org](http://www.drc.citizenship-org)

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ELECTIVE PAPER
CODE NO: PA POL E 408: POLICE ADMINISTRATION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
(6 Credits and 60 Hours)

1. Police Administration in India  (15 hours)
   a) Evolution of police administration in India
   b) Organisation of the police department, police operations, Central Intelligence Agencies
   c) Functions of Police.

2. Police Reforms  (15 hours)
   b) Other initiatives since 1982
   c) Global trends – Interpol.

3. Judicial System and Criminal Laws in India  (15 hours)
   a) Judicial system, Free Legal Aid
   b) Core criminal laws: Indian Penal Code, Code of Criminal Procedure, Indian Evidence Act of 1872
   c) Types of penalty, prison system.

4. Major Challenges to Criminal Justice System  (15 hours)
   a) Ensuring fair trial
   b) Changing contours of crime and criminal behaviour
   c) Reform of judicial system.

Reading List:

11. Vadackumchery, James, Human Rights and the Police in India, APH, New Delhi, 1996.

Useful Websites

- The Bureau of Police Research and Development http://www.bprd.gov.in/
1. Liberalism (15 hours)
   a) Capitalism and liberalism
   b) Types- classical, modern, egalitarian
   c) Neo-liberalism.

2. Socialism (15 hours)
   a) Marxism
   b) Democratic socialism
   c) Latin American socialism.

3. Communitarianism (15 hours)
   a) Rights vs the Good
   b) Self, community and culture
   c) Virtue Ethics (Alasdair MacIntyre).

4. Nationalism (15 hours)
   a) Nation and nation state
   b) Liberal, civic, cultural, imagined
   c) Ethnicity and identity.

Reading List: Political Ideologies


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1. Introduction (15 hours)
   a) Meaning, evolution, Line-item and performance budget
   b) Resource mobilisation: tax and non-tax revenue, deficit financing, public debt management.
   c) Accountability in financial administration.

2. Budgetary Process: United States, United Kingdom and India (15 hours)
   a) Preparation
   b) Enactment
   c) Execution.

3. Centre-State Finance (15 hours)
   a) Federal Financing, Finance Commission and Planning Commission, Grants in aid
   b) Division of resources
   c) Financial initiatives of local bodies, bonds.

4. Accounting and Audit (15 hours)
   a) Accounts: significance, account-keeping agencies, accounting process
   b) Audit: audit organisation, audit reports
   c) Public Accounts Committee, Estimates Committee, Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

Reading List: Public Financial Management

ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PA POL E 411: PUBLIC POLICY IN INDIA
CREDITS 6 (60 Hours)

1. Health Policy
   a) Organisational frame work, overview of health status
   b) National Health Policy 1983
   c) National Health Policy 2002 and others.

2. Industrial Policy
   a) Organisational framework
   b) Industrial policy till 1991
   c) Industrial policy post economic liberalisation.

3. Education Policy
   a) Organisational framework
   b) National Education Policy
   c) Right to Education, recent Pronouncements.

4. Policy for Women’s Empowerment
   a) Organisational framework
   b) National Policy for Women’s Empowerment
   c) Acts for the protection of women.

Reading List: Public Policy In India


Useful Websites

- National Commission for Women: http://ncw.nic.in/
- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare: http://mohfw.nic.in/
- Ministry of Human Resource Development: http://www.education.nic.in/
- Ministry of Industry and Commerce: http://dipp.nic.in/
- Ministry of Women and Child Development http://wcd.nic.in/
1. Conceptual Framework (15 Hours)
   a. Traditional movements
   b. New Social Movements
   c. Social movements and politics of change.

2. Rural Social Movements (15 Hours)
   a) Farmers’ movements
   b) Mobilisation of agricultural workers and rural labour.
   c) Movements of the adivasis and ethnic minorities.

3. Urban Working Class Movements (15 Hours)
   a) Movements of organised industrial workers and service sector employees
   b) Mobilisation of workers in unorganised and informal sectors
   c) Movements of the urban middle classes.

4. New Social Movements (15 Hours)
   a) Women’s movement
   b) Dalit Movement.
   c) Environmental and Human Rights movements

Reading List: Social and Political Movements in India

1. The Liberal Theory (15 Hours)
   a) Social Contract Thinkers: Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau
   b) Neo Liberals: Robert Nozik
   c) Conservative: Hayek

2. The Marxist Theory (15 Hours)
   a) Karl Marx, V Lenin
   b) Antoni Gramsci
   c) Ralph Miliband, Nicos Polantzas, Bob Jessop

3. The Alternative Perspectives (15 Hours)
   a) Group, Pluralist, Elite
   b) Feminist
   c) Environmentalist

4. Beyond the State (15 Hours)
   a) Anarchist: William Godwin, Mahatma Gandhi
   b) Critical Theory: Jurgen Habermas, Claus Offe
   c) Post Structuralist/ Post Colonial- Pierre Bourdieu, Michael Focault, Edward Said

Reading List: Theories of State

ELECTIVE PAPER

CODE NO: PA POL E 414: URBAN GOVERNANCE.

(6 CREDITS, 60 HOURS)

1. Governance discourse in the Urban Context (15 Hours)
   a) Governance: Meaning, Usage and Perspectives
   b) Types of Urban Governance
   c) Problems of Governance

2. Institutional Structures of Urban Local Governance in India (15 Hours)
   a) Role of Local Government.
   b) Commissioner Model and the Mayor in Council
   c) Fiscal Concerns and Resource Mobilisation

3. Urban Governance in the Post-Fordist City (15 Hours)
   a) Multiple Domains of Governance
   b) Corporate Governance
   c) Features of Collaborative Governance

4. Alternative Models of Governance (15 Hours)
   a) Participative
   b) Deliberative
   c) Governance and Human Development

READINGS


ELECTIVE

CODE NO: PA POL E 415: WEST ASIAN STUDIES
CREDITS 6 (60 Hours)

1. Understanding and Mapping the Region (15 hours)
   a) Topography, natural resources and countries
   b) Religion and cultures: Pan-Arabism, Pan-Islamism
   c) Political framework.

2. Political Issues and Power Struggles (15 hours)
   a) Israel-Palestine struggle
   b) Territorial disputes and security
   c) Islamic resurgence, social transformations.

3. Economic Issues (15 hours)
   a) Oil politics
   b) Geopolitics of energy resources in the Arabian Gulf
   c) Asia’s energy quest: redefining security dynamics in West Asia.

4. Role of Major Powers in West Asia (15 hours)
   a) United States of America
   b) Europe and Russia
   c) China and India.

Reading List: West Asian Studies


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