SAUSHATRA UNIVERSITY

RAJKOT

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SYLLABUS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

FOR

FIRST YEAR B.A.

SEMESTER : 1-2

PAPER : 1 to 4

(As per C.B.C.S. and Semester System)

EFFECTIVE FROM JUNE - 2010
This course intends to introduce the discipline of Political Science and to enable the students to gain insight into its nature and scope. The course seeks to develop an understanding of the basic features of the institution called 'State' which is the primary frame of reference for the discipline of Political Science. It also initiates the students into key political concepts and ideas relevant to citizenship and the working of the State.

**Course Outline:**

**Unit - 1 : Terminology**
- a) Meaning and Scope of Political Science
- b) Significance of the study Political Science
- c) Relationship of Political Science with Economics, History and Sociology

**Unit - 2 : State : Meaning and Nature**
- a) Meaning and Essential Elements of the State
- b) Functions and Limits of the State
- c) The State and its Relationship with Society, Government and Nation

**Unit - 3 : State : Origin and Development**
- a) The Force Theory
- b) The Social Contract
- c) The Evolutionary

**Unit - 4 : Sovereignty**
- a) Meaning, Types and main Characteristics of Sovereignty
- b) Austin's Theory of Sovereignty and the Pluralist Theory of Sovereignty
- c) Sovereignty : In the Context of the changing Global Scenario
Unit - 5: Power and citizenship
   a) Power and Authority
   b) Legitimacy
   c) Citizenship

❖ References:

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**F.Y.B.A. Political Science Core and Elective Course**

**Semester - 1 : Paper - 2**

**Course Title : Elements of Government Machinery - I**

★ **Aims and Objectives** :

The main objective of this course is to provide basic orientation to the concepts of 'Constitution' and 'Constitutionalism'. The course initiates the Students into the concept of 'Separation of Power' as the cornerstone of constitutional government. The course also provides basic understanding of the three different organs of government, namely, the Legislature, the Executive and the Judiciary including their nature, formation, functions and other related issues.

★ **Course Outline** :

**Unit - 1 : Constitution**

a) Meaning and Definition of Constitution  
b) Features of an Ideal Constitution  
c) Aristotlean and Modern Classification of Constitution  
d) Types of Constitution : Written and Unwritten, Rigid and Flexible

**Unit - 2 : Separation Power**

a) Meaning and Historical Perspective of 'Separation of Power'  
b) Montesquieu's Doctrine of 'Separation of Power'  
c) Implementation of 'Separation of Power' in Presidential Democracy and Parliamentary Democracy  
d) System of 'Checks and Balance' in the U.S.A.

**Unit - 3 : Legislature**

a) Meaning and Historical Development of Legislature  
b) Formation and Functions of Legislature  
c) Types of Legislature : Uni-Cameral and Bi-Cameral  
d) The Process of Law Making (In Brief)  
e) The Concept of Delegated/Subordinated Legislation
Unit - 4 : Executive
a) Meaning and Nature of Executive
b) Functions and Types of Executive
c) Parliamentary Executive : Characteristics, Merits and Demerits
d) Presidential Executive : Characteristics, Merits and Demerits
e) Civil Service

Unit - 5 : Judiciary
a) Meaning and Functions of Judiciary
b) Independence of Judiciary
c) Relationship of Judiciary with Executive and Legislature
d) The Concept of 'Rule of Law'
e) Judiciary Review
f) Judiciary

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Semester- 2 : Paper -3

Course Title: Introduction to Political Science- II

• Aims and Objectives :

Moving forward on the basis of the topics covered in paper-I, this course aims to provide further understanding of the nature and working of the state. Hence this course deals with another set of key political concepts and ideas relevant to citizenship as well as working of the State. In particular, in students to the divergent perspectives on the legitimate functions of the State and its relationship with citizens.

• Course Outline:
  Unit-1: Law
  (a) Meaning and main Characteristics of Law
  (b) The Sources of Law
  (c) Type of Law
  (d) Law and Morality

  Unit-2: International Law
  (a) Meaning and Scope of International Law
  (b) The Sources of International Law
  (c) The Difference between Law and International Law
  (d) The Importance of, and the Sanctions Behind, International Law

  Unit-3 : Liberty
  (a) Meaning of Liberty
  (b) Type of Liberty
  (c) Safeguards’ of Liberty
  (d) Liberty and Authority, Liberty and Law
Unit-4: Equality and Justice

(a) Meaning and Type of Equality
(b) Relationship between Liberty and Equality
(c) Meaning and Importance of Justice
(d) Type of Justice

Unit-5: Right and Duties

(a) Meaning and Importance of Rights
(b) Type of Right: Fundamental Rights
(c) Safeguards of Fundamental Rights
(d) Meaning and Type of Duties

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Semester- 2 : Paper -4

Course Title: Elements of Government Machinery-II

• Aims and Objectives :

Building further on the knowledge acquired in paper-2, this course aims to provide basic orientation to various forms of government such as Unitary and Federal Government, Democracy and Dictatorship, Local Self Government, etc. It further seeks to provide an understanding of the nature and working of political party as well as the meaning and significance of public opinion. As the global and international issues are equally vital today, the course also intend to impart basis knowledge of the United Nations as a major international organization.

• Course Outline:

Unit-1: Unitary and Federal Governments

(a) Meaning and Characteristics of Unitary Government.
(b) Merit and Demerits of Unitary Government.
(c) Difference between Unitary and Federal Government.
(d) Meaning and characteristics of Federal Government.
(e) Merit and Demerit of Federal Government.
(f) Recent Trends in Federalism.

Unit-2: Democracy and Dictatorship

(a) Requisites for the Success of Democracy
(b) Type of Democracy (In Brief)
(c) Merits and Demerits of Democracy.
(d) Factors Responsible for the Rise of Dictatorship
(e) Merits and Demerits of Dictatorship
(f) Difference between Democracy and Dictatorship
Unit-3 : Local Self Government

(a) Meaning and Nature of Local Self Government.
(b) Functions and Local Self Government at Different Levels.
(c) Merit and Demerits of Local Self Government.
(d) Relationship of Local Self Government with Central Government.
(e) The Concept of Welfare State.

Unit-4: Political Party and Public Opinion

(a) Meaning, Nature and Functions of Political Party
(b) Merit and Demerit of Political party
(c) Type of Political Party System
(d) Meaning and Importance of public Opinion
(e) Factors Responsible for the Formation of public opinion.

Unit-5 : The United Nations

(a) Origin and Development of the U.N
(b) The U.N. charter
(c) Major Organs of the U.N.
(d) Major Achievements and Failures of the U.N. (In Brief)
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