## **SYLLABUS STATUS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

2<sup>ND</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER (HONS & GENERAL)

**JANUARY-JUNE 2020** 

SYLLABUS COMPLETED DURING OFFLINE CLASS AND ONLINE CLASS (DUE TO COVID -19) HELD FROM 20.03.2020- 23.04.2020

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER (HONS & GENERAL)

|       | HONOURS SYLLABUS       |                              |  |           |  |  |
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| SL.NO | NAME OF THE<br>TEACHER | COURSE/PA<br>PER             | TOPIC  | STATUS    |  |  |
| 1.    | DR SHILPA NANDY        | Code: PLS-A-<br>CC-2-3-TH+TU | Module II: 5.Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha, Lok Sabha: Organisation, Functions – Lawmaking procedure, Parliamentary procedure, Privileges, Committee system. Speaker. | COMPLETED |  |  |
|       |                        |                              | 6.Government in states: Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers: position and functions – State Legislature: composition and functions.                      | COMPLETED |  |  |
|       |                        |                              | 7.Judiciary: Supreme Court and the High Courts: composition and functions – Judicial activism.   | COMPLETED |  |  |
|       |                        |                              | 8. Constitutional amendment. Major recommendations of National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution.   | COMPLETED |  |  |
|       |                        |                              | REVISION & SHORT QUESTION ANSWERS  | ON GOING  |  |  |

| 2. | 2. PROF. SUPREETA MEHTA | Code: PLS-A-<br>CC-2-3-TH+TU | Module I:  1.Evolution of the Indian Constitution. Role of the Constituent Assembly debates (overview). The Preamble.  | COMPLETED |
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|    |                         |                              | 2.Citizenship. Fundamental Rights and Duties. Directive Principles.  | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | 3.Nature of Indian Federalism: Union-State Relations.  | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | 4.Union Executive: President, Vice-President: election, position, functions (focus on Emergency Powers), Prime Minister, Council of Ministers, relationship of Prime Minister and President.                         | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | ✓ REVISION & SHORT QUESTION ANSWERS  | ON GOING  |
| 3. | PROF. SOMIRAN DAS       | Code: PLS-A-<br>CC-2-4-TH+TU | Module I:  1. Party system: features and trends – major national political parties in India: ideologies and programmes.  Coalition politics in India: nature and trends. Political parties in West Bengal: Overview. | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | 2. Electoral process: Election Commission: composition, functions, role. Electoral reforms.  | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | 3.Role of business groups, working class, peasants in India politics.  | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | REVISION   | ON GOING  |
| 4. | PROF. TAPAS BARMAN      | Code: PLS-A-<br>CC-2-4-TH+TU | Module IV: 4.Role of (a) religion (b) language (c) caste (d) tribe.  | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | 5. Regionalism in Indian politics.   | COMPLETED |
|    |                         |                              | 6. New Social Movements since the 1970s: (a) environmental movements (b) women's movements (c) human rights movements.   | COMPLETED |

|       | 2 <sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER GENERAL SYLLABUS |                              |  |                     |  |
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| 2.    | DR SHILPA NANDY                           | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-2-2-TH+TU | Module I 1 Political System: Liberal-democratic, Authoritarian .Socialist – forms of Political Systems: Unitary and Federal, Parliamentary and Presidential.   | COMPLETED           |  |
|       |   |                              | Module II 5. Salient features of the Constitutions of Bangladesh,France,Switzerland.   | COMPLETED           |  |
|       |   |                              | REVISION & SHORT QUESTION ANSWERS  | ON GOING            |  |
| 2.    | PROF. SUPREETA<br>MEHTA                   | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-2-2-TH+TU | Module I:  3. U.S.A.: (a) Basic features (b) US federalism (c) Bill of rights (d) Legislature: composition and functions with major focus on the Presiding Officers and Committee System; (e) The Executive: The President: election, powers and functions. US Cabinet: composition and functions; (f) Supreme Court: composition and functions; (g) Party system. | COMPLETED  ON GOING |  |
| 3.    | PROF. SOMIRAN DAS                         | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-2-2-TH+TU | Module II  4. PRC (1982 Constitution):(a) Significance of the Revolution (b) Basic features with special reference to General Principles(c) Communist Party: structure, functions, role (d) Rights and Duties of Citizen (e) The National Government: i) The Executive: President, Premier,  | COMPLETED           |  |

|    |                    |                              | State Council, ii) The Legislature: National People' Congress ,Standing Committee iii) The Judiciary.  |           |
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| 4. | PROF. TAPAS BARMAN | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-2-2-TH+TU | Module I  2. U.K.: (a) Basic features with major focus on Conventions and rule of Law. (b) Legislature: composition and functions with major focus on the concept of parliamentary sovereignty. (c) Executive: composition and functions of the Cabinet with major focus on the role of the Prime Minister – the concept of Cabinet Dictatorship; (d) Role of the Crown;(e) Party system – role of the Opposition. | COMPLETED |

|       | 4 <sup>th</sup> SEMESTER HONOURS SYLLABUS |  |   |           |  |  |
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| 1.    | DR SHILPA NANDY                           | Code: PLS-A-<br>SEC-4-B(1)-TH<br>(SEC) | Module I 1) Members of Parliament: Powers and Privileges- Constituency Work. 2) State legislative Assemblies: Powers and functions. 3) Functionaries of rural and urban local self-government from Zila Parishad, Municipal Corporation to Panchayat/ Ward. | COMPLETED |  |  |
|       |   |  | Module II 4) How a bill becomes a law, role of standing committees in reviewing a bill, legislative consultants, the framing of rules and regulations.  | ON GOING  |  |  |

|    |                         |                                   | 5) Types of committees.  | COMPLETED  |
|----|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
|    |                         |                                   | 6) Role of committees in reviewing government finances, policy, programmes and legislation.  | INCOMPLETE |
|    |                         |                                   | 7) Powers and functions of people's representative at different tiers of governance  | INCOMPLETE |
| 2. | PROF. SUPREETA<br>MEHTA | Code: PLS-A-<br>CC-4-9-TH+TU      | Module I:  1. Cold War and its evolution: outline.Emergence of Third World: NAM; Pan Africanism. Post-Cold War world: overview. Globalization: conceptions and perspectives.  2. Europe in transition: European Union, Brexit (overview).  3. Major institutions of global governance: World Bank, IMF, WTO overview. Major regional organizations: ASEAN, OPEC, SAFTA, SAARC and BRICS. West Asia and the Palestine question. | COMPLETED  |
|    |                         |                                   | Module II: 4.India and her neighbours I: Pakistan; Bangladesh.   | COMPLETED  |
|    |                         |                                   | 5. India and her neighbours II: Nepal; Bhutan; Sri Lanka.  | ONGOING    |
|    |                         |                                   | 6. UNO: background; Major organs General Assembly, Security Council and Secretariat (with focus on Secretary General). Role of UNO in peace-keeping, human rights, and development (Millennium Development Goals and Sustainable Development Goals).   | INCOMPLETE |
| 3. | PROF. SOMIRAN DAS       | Code: PLS-A-<br>CC-4-10-<br>TH+TU | Module I:  1. Greek political thought: main features – Plato: justice, communism – Aristotle: state, classifications of constitutions.  2. Roman political thought: theories of Law and Citizenship – contributions of Roman thought.  3. Medieval political thought in Europe: major features.  | COMPLETED  |

|    |                    |                              | 4. Contribution of Machiavelli. Significance of Renaissance. Political thought of Reformation.  |           |
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|    |                    |                              | <ul> <li>Module II:</li> <li>5. Bodin: Idea of Sovereignty.</li> <li>6. Hobbes: founder of science of materialist politics.</li> <li>7. Locke: founder of Liberalism. views on natural rights, property and consent.</li> <li>8. Rousseau: views on freedom and democracy.</li> </ul> | COMPLETED |
| 4. | PROF. TAPAS BARMAN | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-2-2-TH+TU | Module I: 1. M.N. Roy: Radical Humanism. 2. Narendra Deva, Ram Manohar Lohia, Jayaprakash Narayan: Socialist ideas 3. Syed Ahmed Khan and Iqbal: views on colonialism and nationalism.  | COMPLETED |
|    |                    |                              | Module II: 4. Nehru: views on Socialism and Democracy. Subhas Chandra Bose: views on Socialism and Fascism.   | COMPLETED |
|    |                    |                              | <ul><li>5. Contested notions of 'nation' Savarkar, Jinnah.</li><li>6. Jyotiba Phule and Ambedkar on caste system and untouchability. Pandita Ramabai's views on social justic</li></ul>   | ON GOING  |

|       | 4 <sup>th</sup> SEMESTER GENERAL SYLLABUS |  |  |            |  |
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| 1.    | DR SHILPA NANDY                           | Code: PLS-G-<br>SEC-4-B(1)-TH<br>(SEC)   | Module II  4. Sources and Techniques of data collection – quantitative and qualitative data  | ON GOING   |  |
|       |   | (3 3)  | 5. Sampling: definition, probability and non-probability. Scales and Measurement   | COMPLETED  |  |
|       |   | 6. Statistical method of data analysis: descriptive and inferential (Overview). Graphic representation of data (Bar graph, Histogram, Pie Chart) | COMPLETED  |            |  |
|       |   |  | Module II 4) How a bill becomes a law, role of standing committees in reviewing a bill, legislative consultants, the framing of rules and regulations. | ON GOING   |  |
|       |   |  | 5) Types of committees.  | COMPLETED  |  |
|       |   |  | 6) Role of committees in reviewing government finances, policy, programmes and legislation.  | INCOMPLETE |  |
|       |   |  | 7) Powers and functions of people's representative at different tiers of governance  | INCOMPLETE |  |
| 2.    | PROF. SUPREETA<br>MEHTA                   | Code: PLS-G-<br>SEC-4-B(1)-TH<br>(SEC)   | Module I  1. Concepts, variables (dependent and independent), propositions and hypothesis.   | ONGOING    |  |
|       |   | , ,  | 2. Research design: definition, purpose of research, units of analysis, fallacies.   | INCOMPLETE |  |
|       |   |  | 3. Ethics in researchissues and problems.  | COMPLETED  |  |

|    |                    |                              | 4. Research Report writing.   | COMPLETED |
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|    |                    | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-4-4-TH+TU | Module I 4. India's Foreign Policy (a) Basic Determinants (Historical, Geo-Political, Economic, Domestic and Strategic); (b) India's Policy of Non-Alignment; (c) India as emerging Power   | COMPLETED |
| 3. | PROF. SOMIRAN DAS  | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-4-4-TH+TU | Module I  1. International Relations as a field of study. Approaches: (a) Classical Realism (Hans Morgenthau) and Neo-Realism (Kenneth Waltz) (b)Neo-Liberalism: Complex Interdependence (Robert O. Keohane and Joseph Nye) (c) Structural Approaches: World Systems Approach (Immanuel Wallerstein) and Dependency School (Andre Gunder Frank) (d) Feminist Perspective (J. Ann Tickner) 2. Cold War:(a) Second World War & Origins of Cold War; (b) Phases of Cold War: First Cold War; Rise and Fall of Detente Second Cold War. | COMPLETED |
| 4. | PROF. TAPAS BARMAN | Code: PLS-G-<br>CC-4-4-TH+TU | Module II  3. End of Cold War and Collapse of the Soviet Union (b)Post Cold- War Era and Emerging Centers of Power (European Union, China, Russia and Japan).   | COMPLETED |