



TRIPURA UNIVERSITY

(A Central University)
Suryamaninagar-799022

Syllabus

For

Semester – II

Political Science (Major/General)

Year 2014

Honours Course

Semester-I	Political Theory	Paper I
Semester-II	Western Political Theory	Paper II
Semester-III	Indian government & Politics	Paper III
Semester-IV	Public Administration	Paper IV
Semester-V	1) Indian Political Thought	Paper V
	2) Comparative Government and Politics	Paper VI
Semester-VI	1) International Relation	Paper VII
	2) Political Sociology	Paper VIII

Pass Course

<u>Semester I</u>	Political Theory	Paper I
<u>Semester II</u>	Political Thought	Paper II
<u>Semester III</u>	Indian Government & Politics	Paper III
<u>Semester IV</u>	Comparative Government & Politics	Paper IV
<u>Semester V</u>	International Relations & Organisations	Paper V

Compulsory Paper for U. G. Course

Public Administration (For 5th Semester)

BA Major/ Honours

Semester- II: Western Political Thought (Paper- II)

Unit – I

- General Features of Greek Political Institutions - Search for harmony in Plato's concept of Justice- Plato's Communism vs. Modern Communism- Aristotle's concept of State, Slavery and Revolution.
- Roman Theory of Law.
- General features of Medieval Political Thought, Conflict between Church and the State, St. Augustine and Marsiglio of Padua.
- Machiavelli and Secularisation of Politics- his contribution to Political Thought.
- Political Implications of the Reformation Movement, Political Implications of the Puritan Revolution.

Unit- II

- Jean Bodin's concept of Sovereignty, the theoretical foundation of Nation State.
- Hobbes: Founder of materialistic politics.
- Locke: Theorist of the Glorious Revolution, Socio-Political elements of Locke's Political Thought, Theories of Rights, Resistance and Consent.
- Rousseau's General Will: Philosophical Solutions to the problem of reconciliation between Liberty and Authority.

Unit- III

- Impact of Twin Revolutions on the development of Political Thought- Industrial and the French Revolution- Development of Liberalism in England.
- Benthamite Utilitarianism, J. S. Mill's concept of Individual Liberty.
- Hegel's concept of State, T. H. Green's theory of State.

Unit- IV

- Political Ideas of Utopian Socialist, Scientific Socialism.
- Democratic Socialism.
- Lenin's Contribution to Marxism, Lenin's Theory of Proletarian Revolution, Dictatorship of Proletariat.
- Anarchist Theory of Society.

Suggested Readings:

- Rao, Venkata V., *Ancient Political Thought*, S Chand and Company Ltd, New Delhi, 2002.
- Dhariwal, Umesh K., *Western Political Thought*, Arise Publishers and Distributors, 2008.
- Nelson, Brian R., *Western Political Thought: From Socrates to the Age of Ideology*, Pearson Education, Delhi, 1996
- Sharma, Urmila and S. K. Sharma, *Western Political Thought*, Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, Delhi, 2006.
- Jayapalan, N., *Comprehensive History of Political Thought*, Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, Delhi, 2001.
- Das, P. G., *History of Political Thought*, New Central Book Agency Pvt Ltd, Kolkata, 2011.
- Arora, Prem & Brij Grover, *Selected Western and Indian Political Thought*, Cosmos Bookhive (P) Ltd, 2013.

BA General Course

Semester- II: Political Thought (Paper- II)

Unit-1

1. Plato: Concept of Justice, Communism and Ideal State
2. Aristotle: Concept of State, Slavery, Revolution: Classification of Government.
3. Machiavelli: Power, Prince, Secularism.

Unit-2

1. Bentham: Utilitarianism.
2. J. S. Mill: On Liberty, Concept of Government.
3. Lenin: Dictatorship of Proletariat, Contribution to Marxism.
4. Neo Marxism, Scientific Socialism

Unit-3

1. Ram Mohan: Social Reform, Liberalism.
2. Bankim Chandra: Nationalism, Equality.
3. Vivekananda: Nationalism, Socialism.

Unit-4

1. Gandhi: Non-Violence, Satyagraha and Sarvodaya.
2. M.N.Roy: New Humanism.
3. B.R. Ambedkar: Social Justice, Political Ideas.
4. Nehru: Socialism, Model of Development.

Readings:

- Mukhopadhaya, Amal. *Western Political Thought*. K.P Bagchi, Calcutta. 1980.
- Ramaswamy, S. & Mukherjee, S. *Western Political Thought*. Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi, 2006.
- Sabine, G.H., *A History of Political Theories*, Oxford IBH Publishing House, London, 1973.
- Nanda, B.R., *Gandhi and his Critics*. Oxford Paperbacks (OUP India), England, 1994.
- Nehru, J., *Discovery of India*, Oxford University Press, England, 1989.
- Chakraborty, Bidyut, *Indian Political Thought*, SAGE Publications, Delhi, 2013.
- Pantham, Thomas and Deutsch, Kenneth L., *Political Thought in Modern India*, SAGE Publications, Delhi, 2013.
- Singh, Akash and Mahapatra, Silika (Ed), *Indian Political Thought*, Routledge, London, 2010.
- Chakraborty, Debasis, *Baratiya Rastrachintar Dhara*, Central Book Publishers, Kolkata,
- Mahapatra, Anadi Kumar, *Bharatiya Rastra Dharsan*, Suhrid Publication, Kolkata.
- Sarkar, Sumit, *Adhunik Bharat*, K.P Bagchi and Company, 1993.
- Chakraborty, Satyabrata (Ed.), *Bharatborsa Rastra Bhavna*, Ekushe Dhaka, 2001.