

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
SRI Y.N.COLLEGE(A), NARSAPUR

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FIRST YEAR –SEMESTER – I

I B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE

COURSE – I- Introduction To Political Science (Major)

Unit – I: Introduction

1. What is Political Science?
2. Definition, Nature of Political Science
3. Scope and Importance of Political Science
4. Relationship with allied disciplines: History, Economics, Philosophy and Sociology.

Unit – II: Approaches

1. Approaches to the study of Political Science
2. Traditional Approaches: Philosophical, Historical.
3. Empirical Approaches: Behavioural and Post-Behaviouralism
4. Modern Approaches: System Approach and Structural – Functional

Unit – III: State

1. Definition and Nature of the State
2. Elements of the State
3. Patriarchal and Matriarchal theory of the State
4. Theory of Divine Origin, Theory of Force

Unit – IV: Modern Theories of the State

5. Historical or Evolutionary theory
6. Social Contract Theory
(Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, Jean Jacques Rousseau)

Unit – V: Modern State

1. Concepts of Modern State: Meaning, Origin
2. Nature and feature of Modern State
3. Origin of Welfare State
4. Nature and features of Welfare State

References :

1. Political Ideologies-An Introduction: Andrew Heywood
2. Principles of Political Science: A.C. Kapoor
3. Contemporary Political Theory: J.C.Johari
4. An Introduction to Political Theory: O.P.Gauba
5. Political Theory: Eddy Ashirvadam & K.K.Misra



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FIRST YEAR –SEMESTER – I

I B.A HONOURS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER – II– CONCEPTS & IDEOLOGIES OF POLITICAL SCIENCE (Major)

Unit – I: Law & Liberty 1. Law: Meaning, Definition and Nature

2. Law: Types of Law - Sources of Law

3. Liberty: Meaning, Definition, Nature

4. Liberty: Types of Liberty

Unit – II: Equality & Power

1. Equality: Meaning, Definition and Nature

2. Equality: Types of Equality

3. Power: Meaning, Definition, Nature and types

4. Authority and Legitimacy: Meaning, Definition and Nature

Unit – III: Rights

1. Rights: Meaning, Definition and Nature

2. Rights: Classification of Rights

3. Theories of Rights: Natural, Legal and Historical

4. Theories of Rights: Idealistic, Social and Welfaristic

Unit – IV: Ideologies - I 1. Liberalism 2. Conservatism 3. Anarchism

4. Fascism

Unit –V: Ideologies - II 1. Socialism 2. Marxism 3. Multiculturalism

4. Nationalism

References :

1. Modern Political Theory: S.P.Varma
2. Principles of Political Science: A.C. Kapoor
3. Contemporary Political Theory: J.C.Johari
4. An Introduction to Political Theory: O.P.Gauba
5. Political Theory: Ideas & Concepts: Susheela Ramaswamy



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PAPER – III

POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS (Major)

Unit – I: Organs of Government:

1. Legislature: Unicameral and Bicameral
2. Legislature: Power and Functions
3. Executive: Types, Powers, and Functions
4. Judiciary: Powers and Functions

Unit – II: Separation of Powers:

1. Theory of Separation of Powers: Meaning, Nature
2. Montesquieu's doctrine of separation of powers
3. Advantages & Disadvantages
4. Case study of USA & UK

Unit – III: Forms of Government:

1. Unitary form of Governments: Merits and Demerits
2. Federal form of Government: Merits and Demerits
3. Parliamentary form of Government: Merits and Demerits
4. Presidential form of Government: Merits and Demerit

Unit – IV: Democracy:

1. Democracy: Meaning, Definition, Significance
2. Theories and Principles of Democracy
3. Types of Democracy
4. Condition for the success of democracy

Unit – V: Political Parties, Pressure Groups and Public Opinion:

1. Political Parties: Meaning, Definition and Functions.
2. Classification of Political Parties.
3. Pressure Groups: Meaning, Definition, and Types
4. Public Opinion: Meaning, Definition, and Significance

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I B.A HONOURS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER – IV

INDIAN CONSTITUTION (Major)

Unit – I:

Constitution: 1. Constitution: Meaning, Definition, & Origin 2. Evolution of Constitution 3. Classification of the Constitutions: Written and Unwritten 4. Classification of the Constitutions: Rigid and Flexible

Unit – II:

Ideological Base of the Indian Constitution: 1. Constitutional Development in India during British Rule 2. Minto-Morley Reforms, 1909 3. Montague-Chelmsford Reforms, 1919 4. Government of India Act, 1935

Unit – III:

Features of Indian Constitution: 1. Constituent Assembly: Nature, Composition, 2. Constituent Assembly: Socio-Economic, Philosophical Dimensions 3. Indian Constitution: Preamble 4. Indian Constitution: Salient Features

Unit – IV:

Rights & Duties: 1. Fundamental Rights 2. Directive Principles of State Policy 3. Differences between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy 4. Fundamental Duties

Unit – V:

Theory of Basic Structure: 1. Doctrine of Basic Structure of the Constitution: Origin & Growth 2. Judicial Interpretations: Golaknath Case, 1967 3. Judicial Interpretations: Kesavananda Bharathi Case, 1973 4. Judicial Interpretations: Minerva Mills Case, 1980

References:

1. An Introduction to the Constitution of India: D. D. Basu
2. Constitutional Government in India: M. V. Pylee
3. Politics in India: Rajani Kothari
4. Indian Government and Politics: B.L. Fadia
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1. Political Parties: Meaning, Definition, Classification of Political Parties: National
2. Classification of Political Parties: Regional, Functions of Political Parties.
3. Pressure Groups: Meaning, Definition, and Types
4. Public Opinion: Meaning, Definition, and Significance

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PAPER – V I

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PAPER - VII Western Political Thought : Ancient & Medieval (Major)

Unit: I:

1. History of Western Political Thought
2. Plato: Rule of Philosopher Kings
3. Theory of Justice
4. Ideal State and Education

Unit: II:

1. Aristotle: Theory of State
2. Classification of Governments
3. Citizenship and Slavery
4. Theory of Revolutions

Unit: III:

1. Cicero: On Law and Justice
2. Cicero: Influence on Western Political Thought
3. St. Augustine of Hippo: Religious and Political conditions in Europe & Africa
4. St. Augustine of Hippo: Theory of Two Cities

Unit: IV:

1. St. Thomas Aquinas: Political Philosophy
2. St. Thomas Aquinas: Four Cardinal Principles
3. William of Ockham: Political Philosophy
4. William of Ockham: Influence and legacy

Unit: V

1. Niccolo Machiavelli: Conditions of Europe and Italy
2. Niccolo Machiavelli: Human Nature
3. Niccolo Machiavelli: Suggestions to Prince
4. Niccolo Machiavelli: State and Statecraft

References:

1. A History of Political Theory: George H. Sabine
2. A History of Political Thought-Plato to Marx: S. Mukherjee & Sushila Ramaswamy
3. Ancient and Medieval Political Thinkers-From Plato to Padua: P.B.Rathod
4. Political Thought: C.L.Wayper
5. Western Political Thought: B.N.Ray



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PAPER – VIII

INDIAN FEDERAL SYSTEM

(Major)

Unit – I: Centre - State Relations:

1. Features of Indian Federal System
2. Centre-State Relations: Legislative
3. Centre-State Relations: Administrative
4. Centre-State Relations: Financial

Unit – II: Federal Processes:

1. Emerging Trends in Centre-State Relations
2. Recommendations of Sarkaria Commission
3. Recommendations of M.M.Punchi Commission
4. Role of Governor

Unit – III: Electoral Processes:

1. Election Commission of India: Powers and Functions
2. Issues of Electoral Reforms
3. Determinants of Voting Behaviour
4. Problems of Defections: Anti-Defection Law

Unit – IV: Panchayati Raj System:

1. Evolution of Panchayati Raj System
2. Recommendations: Balwanta Rai Committee, Ashok Mehta Committee
3. Rural Governments: Structure, Powers, and Functions
4. Urban Governments: Structure, Powers, and Functions.

Unit – V: Constitutional Amendment Act: 73rd & 74th :

1. Democratic Decentralization
2. 73'd Constitutional Amendment Act
3. 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts
4. Challenges and Prospects

References:

1. An Introduction to the Constitution of India: D. D. Basu
2. Democratic Political Process: M.R. Biju
3. Indian Polity: Laxmikanth
4. Democratic Decentralisation and Grassroot Leadership in India: Subharata Dutta
5. Panchayatraj System and Development Planning: Hari Prasad Chhetri .



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PAPER - IX INDIAN GOVERNMENT (MAJOR)

UNIT – I: President & Parliament:

1. President of India: Mode of Election & Impeachment
2. President of India: Powers and Functions
3. Parliament: Composition – Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha
4. Parliament: Powers and Functions

UNIT – II: Prime Minister & Council of Ministers:

1. Prime Minister: Powers and Functions
2. 2. Prime Minister: Role in Coalition Politics
3. 3. Council of Ministers: Powers and Functions
4. 4. Legislative Committees: PAC, Estimates Committee, CPE

UNIT – III: State Executive:

1. Governor: Powers and Functions
2. Governor: Role
3. Legislature: Composition – Legislative Council & Legislative Assembly
4. Legislature: Powers and Functions

UNIT – IV: State Executive:

1. Chief Minister: Powers and Functions
2. Council of Ministers: Powers and Functions
3. Business Advisory Committee
4. Standing committees

UNIT – V: Judiciary:

1. Supreme Court-Composition and
2. Appointments, Powers, and Functions
3. Judicial Review, Judicial Activism
4. National Judicial Appointments Commission and Judicial Reforms

REFERENCES:

1. An Introduction to the Constitution of India: D. D. Basu
2. Government and Politics of India: Morris Jones
3. Indian Polity: Laxmikanth
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PAPER - X DYNAMICS OF INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM

Unit – I: Social Dynamics:

1. Role of Caste
2. 2. Role of Religion
3. 3. Role of Language
4. 4. Social Media & Politics

Unit – II: Political Dynamics:

1. Politics of Reservation
2. Criminalization of Politics
3. Regionalism in India
4. Internal threats to Security

Unit – III: Regulatory Institutions:

1. NITI Ayog
2. Finance Commission
3. Comptroller and Auditor General of India
4. Central Vigilance Commission

Unit – IV: Governing Mechanisms:

1. Central Information Commission
2. Lokpal
3. Lok Ayukta
4. Right to Information Act, 2005

Unit – V: Civil Services:

1. UPSC: Powers & Functions
2. Neutrality and integrity of Civil Services: All India Services
3. Administrative Reforms Commission: I ARC Recommendations, 1966
4. Administrative Reforms Commission: II ARC Recommendations, 2005.

REFERENCES:

1. Social Justice and the Constitution of India: C.B.Raju.
2. Caste and Reservation in India: V.K.Garg.
3. Indian Polity: Laxmikanth.
4. Indian Administration: Vishnoolal Bhagwan & Vidya Bhushan.
5. Government and Politics in India: S.H.Patil.

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PAPER - XI **INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT**

UNIT I: Sources of Ancient Indian Political Thought

1. Sources of Ancient Indian Political Thought (Vedas, Upanishads, Ramayana & Mahabharata)
2. Manu - Elements of State - Duties of King – Manu Dharma – Varna System

UNIT II: Kautilya and his Arta shastra

1. Kautilya – King & Kingship
2. Saptanga theory – Mandal Theory

UNIT III: Social Reformers

1. Raja Rammohan Roy – Brahma Samaj – Social and Religious reforms
2. Jyotiba Phule – Satya Shodak Samaj - Champion of Equal Rights
3. Ishwar Chandra Vidhya Sagar – Bethune Society – Women Education
4. Sarojini Devi – Women’s Indian Association – Women empowerment

UNIT IV: Religious Reformers

1. Vivekananda – Ramakrishna Mission – Speech at World Parliament of Religions
2. Swami Dayananda Saraswathi – Arya Samaj – Back to Vedas
3. Bala Gangadhar Tilak - Father of the Indian Revolution – National Education

UNIT V: Modern Nationalist Thinkers

1. M.K. Gandhi – Ahimsa – Satya – Satyagraha – Trusteeship
2. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar – Views on Indian Society – Social Movements
3. Jawaharlal Nehru – Panchasheela – Non-Alignment Movement
4. Sardar Patel – Unification of India
5. Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya – Integral Humanism

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1. Modern Indian Political Thought, H.R Mukhi, SBD Publishers, Delhi, 2004.
2. Indian Political Thought, R.C Gupta, Ram Chandra Gupta, Lakshmi Narain Agarwal, Agra,2005.
3. Indian Political Thinkers, Dr. Vishnoo Bhagwan, Atma Ram & Sons, Delhi, 1996.
- 4 .Modern Indian Political Thought, V.P Verma, Lakshmi Narain Agarwal, Agra
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7. Indian Political Thinking in the 20th Century, A. Appadurai, South Asia Publishers, New Delhi, 1987.
8. Dr. Baba sahib Ambedkar, writings and speeches vol: I, II, III and VIII

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FINAL YEAR –SEMESTER – V

III B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER – X11 (CORE) – E – GOVERNANCE (MAJOR)

Unit: 1 :

Brief Introduction to Governance-E-Governance –Meaning, Definition, Nature, Scope, Objectives and Significance-Domains of E-Governance- E-Governance and Good Governance-Global trends in the growth of E-Governance.

Unit: 2 :

E-Governance in India- - National E-Governance Plan (NeGP) -National Informatics Centre- Strategies for E-Governance-E-Governance Implementations: Required infrastructure of Network, Computing, Cloud Governance, Data system, Human resources, Legal and Technological infrastructure- Major E-Governance Projects and Initiatives: Gyandoot, E-choupal, E-Bhoomi, E-Seva, CARD, E-Panchayat, Real Time Governance (RTG) etc.

Unit: 3 :

Role of Information and Communication Technology in Administration, Effective delivery of services for public utilities through E-Governance-Online filing of complaints, application registration, issuance of certificates, issuance of land records, online payments of fees, dues etc, e-tendering, easy access to information and E-Governance in Social security and welfare schemes: Direct transfer of benefits, Biometric authentication through Aadhar, etc.

Unit: 4 :

E-Governance under Information Technology Act-Legal status for digital transactions-Public Private Partnership and expansion of E-Governance.

Unit: 5:

E-Governance-Transparency and Accountability at gross root level-Issues and Challenges: Digital Divide, Capacity Building, Cyber Security in Cyber Crimes, Socio-political implications, Issues of integration, Networking with NGOs.

References:

1. B.Sreenivas Raj, E-Governance Techniques-Indian and Global Experiences, New Century Publications, New Delhi, 2008.
2. Subhash Bhatnagar, Unlocking E-Government Potential-Concepts, Cases and Practical Insights, Sage Publications, New Delhi, 2009.
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4. R.P.Sinha, E-Governance in India, Initiatives and Issues in India, Centre for Public Policy, 2006.Anil Kumar Dhiman, E-Governance –Good Governance using ICTs, S.K.BookAgency, New Delhi, 2017.
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FINAL YEAR –SEMESTER – V

III B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER – XIII (CORE) – Local Administration (MAJOR)

Unit: 1: Local Government: Meaning, Nature and Importance, Thoughts on Local Governments by M.K. Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru and Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, Important Committees: Balwant Rai Mehta (1957), Ashok Mehta (1978), L. M. Singhvi (1986).

Unit: 2:

Decentralization of powers (Political, Administrative and Economic) from the States to Local Institutions- 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts-Empowering Local Governments- Decision making powers during crisis and disasters-Relationship between local government authorities and Central and State Government service providers-Role of District Collector in strengthening LGIs.

Unit: 3:

Revenue raising avenues for Local Governments-Grants, Aid and support from Centre and State Governments-Public Private Partnerships-Concept of Local Development-Village as a unit, SWOC analysis of a village, existing conditions, expected developmental opportunities, the gap, natural, government and private resources, year-wise planning, finances required -Role of Local Governments in implementation of welfare and developmental programmes i.e., (MGNREGS), (SGSY), (IAY) and (PURA).

Unit: 4 :

Challenges for Local Administration, Financial, administrative and Political Constraints-Public relations in Local Administration-Need for training for elected representatives and other stakeholders-Audit training and Participatory training.

Unit: 5:

Preparation of Reports-Minutes and Documentation-Types of Reports, Content of Minutes- Methods of Documentation-Best practices of Reporting on functioning of Local Administration- Use of ICT in documentation.

References:

1. Basu, D.D, Introduction to Constitution of India, Nagpur, Lexis Nexis Butterworths, 2018
2. Niraja Gopal Jayal, Representing India: Ethnic Diversity and Governance of Public Institutions, 2006, Palgrave Mc Millan Publications.
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4. Sawalia Bihari Verma, Empowerment of the Panchayati Raj Institutions in India, Sarupand Sons, New Delhi, 2006.
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6. S. Chandrasekhar, Panchayati Raj and Financial Resources, Regal Publications, 2008, NewDelhi.
7. Rajesh Tondon and Mohini Kak (Eds), Citizen Participation and Democratic Governance,New Delhi, 2016.
8. Anand Prakash, State and District Administration, Wisdom Press, New Delhi, 2008.
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III B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER – XIV A - POLITICAL REPORTING (Elective) (MAJOR)

Unit: 1

Introduction to Political Reporting-Nature-The role of Mass Media in Political Reporting Press, Radio and Television-State Meaning, Nature and role in Developments-Political Issues and Dynamics.

Unit: 2

Organs of the Government-Union, State and Local Governments and Judiciary- Reporting on their working and assessment- Ethics for political reporter-Role and responsibilities of Press Freedom of press and its limitations.

Unit: 3

Political News-Meaning, Nature and Forms of Political News-Sources of Political News and its Limitations-Working of Lobbies and Pressure Groups in Political Reporting.

Unit: 4

Writing Reports-Background Information-Framing and crafting Political Stories-Watchdog of enforcement of States' Laws, Rules and Regulations-Political Reporting in deadline situations, Reporting on Political Campaigns.

Unit: 5

Political Reporting Skills-Interviewing-Types and Forms of Interviewing and Techniques Questionnaire – Opinion Polls-Writing Blogs-Role in citizen's civic engagement, political communication and political participation-Analyzing politician's media strategy.

References:

1. Raymond Kuhn, Political Journalism New Challenges, New York: New Practices, Rutledge, 2003
2. Gail Sedorkin and Judy Mc gregor, Interviewing – A Guide for Journalist and Writers, Crow's Nest, NSW: Allen and Unwin, 2002
3. R.T.Jangam, Political Analysis, New Delhi: Oxford and IBH Publication, 1997
4. J.C.Johari, Comparative Politics, New Delhi, Sterling Publishers, 2002
5. Robert A. Dahl, Modern Political Analysis, New Delhi : Prentice Hall of India, 2001
6. Davis Merrit, Public Journalism and Public Life, London, 2014
7. Erik Albaek, Arjen Van Dalen, Neel Jebril& Claes H. de.Vreese, London, Cambridge University Press, 2014
8. Alok Mehta, Power, Press and Politics, 2021 1. Claes H. de.Vreese, Frank Esser& David Nicolas Hopmann (editors), Comparing Political Journalism.



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III B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER – XV A - ELECTORAL POLITICS AND VOTING BEHAVIOUR (Elective) (MAJOR)

Unit: 1

Electoral Democracy - Electoral Politics in India- Pre and Post-Independence, Nature, Characteristics -Electoral Process: Nature and Significance.

Unit: 2

Election Commission of India: Composition, Powers and Functions-Merits and Demerits of Electoral system in India-Political Participation-General Elections in India since 1952 Elections to Local Bodies-State Election Commission.

Unit: 3

Issues in Electoral Politics: Corruption, Money power, rigging, booth capturing, undemocratic party system, politics of Political Defections and Reservations-Need of Reforms in present Electoral System-Reports of Tarkunde, Goswamy, Indrajeet Gupta Committees.

Unit: 4

Public Opinion: Meaning and its role in Democratic Politics-Voting Behaviour: Meaning, Nature and determinants of voting behavior: Caste, Religion, Language, Region etc.

Unit: 5

Management of Elections: Moral Code of Conduct, Filing Election Nominations and Affidavits Use of new techniques and methods in election campaigns: Membership drive, Responsibility Management, Booth Management, New ways of generating funds, Polling research, Opinion Polls, Predictions, Techniques of interpreting collected election data, use of print, electronic and social media in elections.

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PAPER – V (CORE) – E – GOVERNANCE (MINOR)

Unit: 1 :

Brief Introduction to Governance-E-Governance –Meaning, Definition, Nature, Scope, Objectives and Significance-Domains of E-Governance- E-Governance and Good Governance-Global trends in the growth of E-Governance.

Unit: 2 :

E-Governance in India- - National E-Governance Plan (NeGP) -National Informatics Centre- Strategies for E-Governance-E-Governance Implementations: Required infrastructure of Network, Computing, Cloud Governance, Data system, Human resources, Legal and Technological infrastructure- Major E-Governance Projects and Initiatives: Gyandoot, E-choupal, E-Bhoomi, E-Seva, CARD, E-Panchayat, Real Time Governance (RTG) etc.

Unit: 3 :

Role of Information and Communication Technology in Administration, Effective delivery of services for public utilities through E-Governance-Online filing of complaints, application registration, issuance of certificates, issuance of land records, online payments of fees, dues etc, e-tendering, easy access to information and E-Governance in Social security and welfare schemes: Direct transfer of benefits, Biometric authentication through Aadhar, etc.

Unit: 4 :

E-Governance under Information Technology Act-Legal status for digital transactions-Public Private Partnership and expansion of E-Governance.

Unit: 5:

E-Governance-Transparency and Accountability at gross root level-Issues and Challenges: Digital Divide, Capacity Building, Cyber Security in Cyber Crimes, Socio-political implications, Issues of integration, Networking with NGOs.

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PAPER – VI (CORE) – Local Administration (MINOR)

Unit: 1: Local Government: Meaning, Nature and Importance, Thoughts on Local Governments by M.K. Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru and Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, Important Committees: Balwant Rai Mehta (1957), Ashok Mehta (1978), L. M. Singhvi (1986).

Unit: 2: Decentralization of powers (Political, Administrative and Economic) from the States to Local Institutions- 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts- Empowering Local Governments- Decision making powers during crisis and disasters- Relationship between local government authorities and Central and State Government service providers-Role of District Collector in strengthening LGIs.

Unit: 3: Revenue raising avenues for Local Governments-Grants, Aid and support from Centre and State Governments-Public Private Partnerships-Concept of Local Development-Village as a unit, SWOC analysis of a village, existing conditions, expected developmental opportunities, the gap, natural, government and private resources, year-wise planning, finances required -Role of Local Governments in implementation of welfare and developmental programmers i.e., (MGNREGS), (SGSY), (IAY) and (PURA).

Unit: 4 :

Challenges for Local Administration, Financial, administrative and Political Constraints-Public relations in Local Administration-Need for training for elected representatives and other stakeholders-Audit training and Participatory training.

Unit: 5:

Preparation of Reports-Minutes and Documentation-Types of Reports, Content of Minutes- Methods of Documentation-Best practices of Reporting on functioning of Local Administration- Use of ICT in documentation.

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