

## **SEMESTER-III**

### **COURSE 1: INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE**

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#### **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

**B.A. HONOURS – MINOR SUBJECT: POLITICAL SCIENCE**

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**COURSE – I: INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**Model Question Paper**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Maximum Marks: 75**

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**SECTION – A**

**Answer any FIVE of the following questions.  $5 \times 3 = 15$  Marks**

- 1. Define Political Science.**
- 2. What is the scope of Political Science?**
- 3. Explain the relationship between Political Science and History.**
- 4. What is the Philosophical Approach to the study of Political Science?**
- 5. What is Behaviouralism?**
- 6. Mention the essential elements of the State.**
- 7. What is the Divine Origin Theory of the State?**
- 8. Explain the Historical or Evolutionary Theory of the State.**
- 9. What is meant by the Modern State?**
- 10. What is a Welfare State?**

## SECTION – B

**Answer ALL the questions.**

**Each question carries 12 marks.  $5 \times 12 = 60$  Marks**

**11.A) Define Political Science and explain its nature, scope and importance.**

**OR**

**B) Explain the relationship of Political Science with History, Economics, Philosophy and Sociology.**

**12.A) Explain the Traditional Approaches to the study of Political Science, with special reference to the Philosophical and Historical Approaches.**

**OR**

**B) Explain the Behavioural and Post-Behavioural Approaches to the study of Political Science.**

**13.A) Define the State and explain its nature and essential elements.**

**OR**

**B) Explain the various theories of the origin of the State, with special reference to the Divine Origin Theory and Force Theory.**

**14.A) Explain the Historical or Evolutionary Theory of the origin of the State.**

**OR**

**B) Explain the Social Contract Theory with special reference to the views of Thomas Hobbes, John Locke and Jean-Jacques Rousseau.**

**15.A) Define the Modern State and explain its origin, nature and important features. OR B) Explain the origin, nature and features of the Welfare State.**

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