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**FIRST YEAR: SEMESTER – II**  
**B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
**PAPER – II (CORE): POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS**  
**(CONCEPTS, THEORIES AND INSTITUTIONS)**

**Unit – I Constitutionalism**

1. The purpose of constitutional law, Theory of Separation of powers.
2. Structural forms of the Modern State, Basic features of Parliamentary and presidential forms of Governments.

**Unit – II Territorial Division of Authority of the Modern State**

1. Basic features of Federal forms of Government.
2. Basic features of Unitary form of Government.

**Unit – III Institutional forms of the Modern State.**

1. Democracy, Basic features of Classical and Modern Representative Democracy.
2. Models of Democracy, Procedural Democracy and Substantive Democracy.

**Unit – IV Organs of Government.**

1. Legislative powers and functions.
2. Executive – Types, Powers and Functions

**Unit - V Judiciary**

1. Judiciary – Powers and functions.
2. Judicial review, Judicial Activism.

**Reference books:**

1. Andrew Heywood (2007) Politics 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Palgrave Macmillan, New York.
2. Held, David (2006) Models of Democracy 3<sup>rd</sup> edition Oxford Polity Press.
3. Brich A.H (2009) The Concepts and Theries of Democracy, London Routledge.
4. Bogdanor, V (Ed) (1988) Constitutions in Democratic Politics Gower, Aldershot.
5. Scott Gordon (1999) Controlling the State: Constitutionalism from Ancient Athens to Today, Cambridge, Harvard University Press.

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**SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY, TIRUPATHI**  
**MODEL-QUESTION PAPER**  
**Ist YEAR SEMESTER – II (CBCS)**  
**B.A POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
**PAPER II: POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS**  
**(CONCEPTS AND THEORIES AND INSTITUTIONS)**

Time: Three hours

Marks: 75

**SECTION- A**

(5x5= 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions  
Each question carries 5 marks

1. Constitution
2. Oligarchy
3. Federal System
4. Unitary Government
5. Direct Democracy
6. Substantive Democracy
7. Unicameralism
8. Plural Executive
9. Judicial Review
10. Administrative Law

**SECTION- B**

(5x10= 50 marks)

Answer all the questions  
Each question carries 10 marks

1. (a) Define the Separation of Powers and explain its importance.  
(OR)  
(b) Compare the basic features of parliamentary and presidential form of Government.
2. (a) Discuss the basic features of Federal system of Government.  
(OR)  
(b) Critically examine the merits and demerits of unitary form of Government.
3. (a) Discuss the basic features of democracy.  
(OR)  
(b) Compare the Procedural democracy and substantive democracy.
4. (a) Examine the role of Legislature in democracy.  
(OR)  
(b) Discuss the Powers and Functions of executive.
5. (a) Explain the role of Judiciary in democracy.  
(OR)  
(b) Write an essay on Judicial Activism.

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