



**Master of Arts (POLITICAL SCIENCE)  
Two Year CBCS Programme**

# **Syllabus**

**July-2025**

**POLITICAL SCIENCE  
MAA PATESWARI UNIVERSITY BALRAMPUR, UTTAR PRADESH-  
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## **SUBJECT: POLITICAL SCIENCE**

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Course Code		Course Title	Credits	T/P	Evaluation	
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A	B	C	D	E	F	G
SEMESTER I (YEAR I)						
A060701T	CORE	History of Western Political Thoughts – I (Plato to Burke)	4	T	25	75
A060702T	CORE	Comparative Politics – I	4	T	25	75
A060703T	CORE	Indian Government and Politics – I	4	T	25	75
A060704T	FIRST ELECTIVE (Subject Elective) (Select any one)	Public Administration	4	T	25	75
A060705T		Dynamics of Indian Politics	4	T	25	75
A060706P	SECOND ELECTIVE (Subject Elective) (Select any one)	Seminar/ Project Presentation on Theories of Social Change, Social Movement and Revolution	4	P	50	50
A060707P		Seminar/ Project Presentation on Feminism and Gender Justice	4	P	50	50
SEMESTER II (YEAR I)						
A060801T	CORE	History of Western Political Thoughts – II (Bentham to Present Day)	4	T	25	75
A060802T	CORE	Comparative Politics – II	4	T	25	75
A060803T	CORE	Indian Government and Politics – II	4	T	25	75
A060804T	THIRD ELECTIVE (Generic Elective) (Select any one)	Indian Administration	4	T	25	75
A060805T		Human Rights in India	4	T	25	75
A060806P	FOURTH ELECTIVE (Subject Elective) (Select any one)	Seminar/ Project Presentation on Public Policy	4	P	50	50
A060807P		Seminar/ Project Presentation on Contemporary Political Issues in India	4	P	50	50

SEMESTER III (YEAR II)						
A060901T	CORE	Political Thinkers of Ancient India	4	T	25	75
A060902T	CORE	Contemporary Political Ideologies	4	T	25	75
A060903T	CORE	International Politics – I	4	T	25	75
A060904T	FIFTH ELECTIVE (Subject Elective) (Select any one)	International Organization	4	T	25	75
A060905T		India's Foreign Policy	4	T	25	75
A060906P	SIXTH ELECTIVE (Subject Elective) (Select any one)	Seminar/ Project Presentation on Democracy and Development Process in India	4	P	50	50
A060907P		Seminar/ Project Presentation on Political Sociology	4	P	50	50
SEMESTER IV (YEAR II)						
A061001T	CORE	Political Thinkers of Modern India	4	T	25	75
A061002T	CORE	International Politics – II	4	T	25	75
A061003P	SEVENTH ELECTIVE (Subject Elective) (Select any one)	State Politics of India (With special reference to UP)	4	P	50	50
A061004P		Local Self Government	4	P	50	50
A061005P		Research Methods in Social Science	4	P	50	50
A061006P	RESEARCH PROJECT/ DISSERTATION	Dissertation	8	P	50	50

## **M.A Semester I (Political Science)**

Program- M.A. Subject Political Science I<sup>st</sup> Semester

Core Subject - Paper 1

Course Title-**History of Western Political Thought I (Plato to Burke)**

### **UNIT-I**

General Characteristics of Pre-Socratic Greek Political thought, The Sophists and their Political Ideas, Plato, Aristotle.

### **UNIT-II**

St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Marsiglia of Padua

### **UNIT-III**

Machiavelli Jean Bodin

### **UNIT-IV**

Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, Jean-Jacques Rousseau

### **UNIT-V**

Montesquieu, Edmund Bark

**Program - M.A Subject Political Science**  
**Ist Semester**

Core Subject Paper-II      Comparative Politics-I

**UNIT-I**

Evolution of Comparative Politics as a discipline, Nature and Scope Present and future trends.

**UNIT-II**

Approaches to the Study of Comparative Politics- Traditional & Modern, behavioralism & Post- behavioralism Approaches Political Systems Approach, Structural-Functional-Almonds Model.

**UNIT-III**

Constitutionalism, and Democratic Theory, Liberal Classical and Contemporary, Federalism.

**UNIT-IV**

Party Systems - Classification & Role in Modern Societies, Pressure Groups

**UNIT-V**

Civil Society and the State Political Leadership, Theories of Ruling Elites.

These Concepts will be studied in the light of the Constitution of U.K.,U.S.A, Russia, Switzerland, France and India.

## **M.A. Political Science (Semester I<sup>st</sup>)**

### **Core Subject Paper III**

#### **Indian Government And Politics-I**

#### **UNIT-I**

Background Nature and Structure of Indian Polity, Nature of Colonialism and Nationalism in India, Constituent Assembly Approaches to the making the Constitutions.

#### **UNIT-II**

Sources of Indian Constitution, Salient features, Parliamentary Government.

#### **UNIT -III**

Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy.

#### **UNIT -IV**

Constitutional Amendments and Constitutional Review

#### **UNIT-V**

Union-State Relations, Recent Development.

**M.A. Political Science (Semester I)**  
**First Elective Paper IV**

**Public Administration.**

UNIT-I      Meaning, Nature, Scope and Evolution of Public Administration as a discipline, Its role in Development of Societies, Public Administration and Private Administration

UNIT - II    Major Theories and Approaches to the Study of Public Administration.

- (a)    The classical theory of Management (Henry Fayal, Luther Gullick)
- (b)    The Bureaucratic Theory. (Max Weber)
- (c)    Scientific Management Theory (Taylor and its Associate).
- (d)    The Human Relation Theory
- (e)    Systems Approach
- (f)    Behavioural Approach.

UNIT-III    Principles of Organization: Emerging Trends.

UNIT IV     Administrative Behaviour : Decision making, theories of Leadership, communication

UNIT V      New Public Administration New Public Management, Good Governance and Development, Civil Society Citizen Charter, Right to Information.



## **M-A Political Science (Semester I)**

### **First Elective paper IV**

#### **Dynamics of Indian Politics**

##### **UNIT-I**

Dynamics of Indian Politics-Religion, Caste, Languages

##### **UNIT-I**

Politics of Defection, Minorities, Political-Agitation, Regionalism.

##### **UNIT-III**

Secularism, National Integration, Problem of Terrorism

##### **UNIT-IV**

Politics of Amendements, Politics of President Rule, Problem of Environmental Pollution

##### **UNIT-V**

Nationalism & Hyper Nationalism, Media.

## **M.A Semester I (Political Science)**

### **Paper-V**

Second Elective Practical/Project Presentation

#### **Theories of Social Change, Social Movements & Revolution.**

UNIT-I - Social Change- Meaning and Theories.

UNIT-II - Revolution -Causes, Impact, Theories: Recent trends.

UNIT III Theories of Social Movement -Emerging Issues.

UNIT-IV New Social Movement, Meaning Theories Role & Feminist, Environmental and Human Rights Movements.

UNIT V Emerging Issues-

- (a) New Liberation Movement.
- (b) The new anti Corruption Movement in India.
- (c) The NGO Phenomenon.
- (d) Impact Information Technology on Social Mobilization.

## **M-A Political Science (Semester I)**

### **Paper- Second Elective - Practical / Project Presentation**

#### **Feminism And Gender Justice**

##### **UNIT-I**

Feminist Approach to Political Theory Key Issues like Gender, Patriarchy and Theories of Woman's Subordination Public vs Private.

##### **UNIT-II**

Different Approach to Feminism- Liberal, Socialist, Radical, Cultural, Post Modernist, Eco Feminism Post Colonial, Past Marxist.

##### **UNIT-III**

Gender Justice- Theories of Justice, Equality, Equality and Empowerment, Law's as an instrument of Gender Justice and Social change, Judiciary and Gender Justice

##### **UNIT-IV**

Gender Based Violence Violation of Women's Rights

##### **UNIT-V**

United Nations and Gender Justice Women's Rights as human Rights,

# Semester II

**M.A Semester II (Political Science)**  
**Core Subject paper I**

**History of Western Political Thought - II (Bentham to Present Day)**

**UNIT-I**

Modern Political Thought, Nature and Main features, Background.

**UNIT-II**

Jeremy Bentham, J.S. Mill, John Austin

**UNIT-III**

Immanuel Kant, G.W.F. Hegel, T.H. Green, Bernard Bosanquet.

**UNIT-IV**

Herbert Spencer, Karl Marx, Lenin, Stalin, Mao-Tse Tung

**UNIT-V**

H. J. Laski, G.D.H. Cole, Bertrand Russell, H.D. Lasswell

**M.A Political Science (Semester II)**  
**Core Subject Paper - II Sem-II**  
**Comparative Politics**

- UNIT -I      Executive: Structure, Functions and role
- UNIT-II      legislature: Structure, Functions, and Role
- UNIT-III      Judiciary: Structure, Functions, Independence, Judicial Review
- UNIT-IV      Bureaucracy, Theories of Representation, Political Conflict
- UNIT-V      Public opinion, Political Development, Political Modernization.
- Notes :      The above Concepts are to be studied with special reference to the political Systems of India U.K., U.S.A., Switzerland and France.

**M.A Political Science (Semester II)**  
**Core Subject Paper - II Sem-III**  
**Indian Government of Politics-II Semester III**

**UNIT -I**

nature of Indian federalism, changing problem of centre state relation demand for State autonomy sarkaria commission report impact of party system on Central state relationship, inter state council.

**UNIT -II**

Union executive, president, cabinet, prime minister, legislature, Lok Sabha, rajya Sabha, supreme supreme, Court structure, voting behaviour.

**UNIT -III**

Judicial System-Supreme Court, Structure, function and judicial Activism

**UNIT -IV**

State Government-legislature, executive, Judiciary

Local self Government 73 & 74 Amendment.

**UNIT -V**

Electoral System, Election Commission, Electoral Reform, Voting Behaviour

## **M.A Political Science (Semester II)**

### **Third Elective Paper -III**

## **Indian administration**

### **UNIT -I**

Indian administration its main features, organisation structure at union level and state level, Central secretariat, ministries and departments-home, finance external affairs.

### **UNIT -II**

local administration in India district administration, role of DM and SP, welfare administration.

### **UNIT -III**

civil service in India neutral and committed, generalist vs specialist, administrative reforms, planning in India.

### **UNIT -IV**

budget, performance and program budgeting, comptroller and auditor general of India, Lokpal and lokayukta

### **UNIT -V**

planning- history and growth in India, planning process in India, Niti aayog its organisation, structure and functions, economic liberalisation and recent initiative.



**M.A. II Semester**  
**political science third electric paper**  
**Human right in India**

**UNIT -I**

human right development in India, national and international dimensions, fundamental rights, protection of human right act 1993.

**UNIT -II**

human right-issues and challenges, caste, religion, minorities, women, children, tribes, banded labours, people with disabilities, prisoners.

**UNIT -III**

Impact on deprived groups-gender based violence, caste based violence, discrimination, fundamentalism, organised crime, custodial torture and death.

**UNIT -IV**

State reference role of police administration and reforms.

**UNIT -V**

Civil society-media new social movement and NGO, NHRC national human right commission.

**Political Science M.A.II Semester**  
**Elective-1 Public Policy**  
**Project Presentation/Seminar**

- 1- Public Policy:  
Concepts & Dimensions, Characteristics & Norms  
Politics- Administration, Relationship, Approaches to public Policy, Public Choice theory, Public Management theory, Development Policy and administration
- 2(a) Public Policy Process, Political, Constitutional, legal, Administrative, Sociocultural, Economic, Environmental and Scientific
- (b) Interface of the Policy Process- Institutions, Role of Public Policy, Planning and Analysis, Policy Formation, Implementation. Evaluation.
- 3(a) Policy analysis – Quantitative and Qualitative Model
- (b) Public Policy- Research & development, Practical Issues.
4. Public Policies in India- Nehru Model Policy : Sector Undertaking. Economic liberalization Model, Privatization. Marketization Model. Manmohan Singh Model Modi Model.
5. Role of Government- Bureaucracy, Parliament, Courts, Political Parties, Corporate Sectors, Interest Group. NGO in Policy

**M.A Semester II (Political Science)**  
**Forth Elective Paper IV**  
**Contemporary Political Issues in India**  
**Project Presentation/Seminar**

**UNIT-I**

Civil Society Concepts, Features, Issues & its Relevance in Indian context, Human Rights: Concepts & Its Importance, Human Rights Provisions in Constitution of India, Its structures, Functions & Role

**UNIT-II**

Globalization: Concept & Dimensions Globalization are the Nation State; Implications for India Liberalization: Concept, Implication for India.

**UNIT-II**

Gender Issues Women's Right's & Liberation, Movement, Remedial Measures.  
Environment Issues, Movement for Protection of the Environment

**UNIT-IV**

Political Development Issues in India, Problems and obstacles, The Issues of Regional Under Development and Regional Movements in India, Causal factors the Prospects are Political Development in India.

**UNIT-V**

Environmental Issues, domestic violence, Ethnic conflict.

# **Semester III**

**M.A. political science**  
**semester III core paper I**  
**political thinker of Ancient Indian**

**UNIT -I**

political philosophy in ancient India, problem of nomenclature, source of study and silent features.

**UNIT -II**

Nature, purposes and functions of state in ancient India, the theory of saptanga.

**UNIT -III**

The Vedic poetry, political ideas in the Vedic samhita, Brahmins and the Upanishads political ideas of the Buddhist and the Jain.

**UNIT -IV**

kinship in the post vedic age, the political ideas in Ramayan, Mahabharat, Bhagwat Gita, earlier Maha puranas and smrityan.

**UNIT -V**

political thinkers in ancient India: Manu, Kautilya.

## **M.A semester III**

### **Paper II Core**

#### **Paper :-Contemporary political ideologies**

##### **UNIT -I**

Rise of scientific politics, political science and political philosophy, politics as a search of good society.

##### **UNIT -II**

Basic concepts-power, authority and influence, political obligation and legitimacy.

##### **UNIT -III**

Political culture and multiculturalism, political participation, political development and modernization.

##### **UNIT -IV**

Liberalism and liver Libertarianism, totalitarianism and republicanism.

##### **UNIT -V**

Globalisation, Post-Colonialism

**M.A. Semester III**  
**Paper III**  
**Core paper: International politics-I**

**UNIT -I**

Meaning, Nature and scope of international politics, concept of post international politics, state and non state actors.

**UNIT -II**

Impact of ideology and technology development and international politics .

**UNIT -III**

Theories: Tradition and contemporary, realistic, idealistic theory, Marxist theory world system theory, equilibrium theory, decision making theory and game theory.

**UNIT -IV**

Balance of power, collective security, ideology and national interest.

**UNIT -V**

Cold war, detente non alignment movement, the major issues in international politics. (NAM)

**M.A. Semester III**  
**elective fifth paper**  
**Paper IV international organisation**

**UNIT -I**

Meaning, nature and genesis of international organisation, league off Nations, origin, achievement and failures.

**UNIT -II**

UNO- genesis main organs revision of the UNO charters, changing, perspective of word government.

**UNIT -III**

Role of security council general in UNO, Role of veto in the functioning of the UNO, peaceful settlement of international dispute, collective security under the UNO, peace keeping.

**UNIT -IV**

Specialised agencies-UNESCO, ILO, WHO, IMF, UNICEF, FAO

**UNIT -V**

Regional organisations-NATO, EU, OPEC, ASEAN, BIMSTEC, QUAD, BRICS, nuclear suppliers group (NSG)



**M.A. Semester III**  
**Elective Paper V**  
**Paper IV Indian foreign policy**

**UNIT -I**

Principles and objectives of India's foreign policy, domestic dimensions : geography, history and culture, society and political system.

**UNIT -II**

External determinants, global, regional and bilateral.

**UNIT -III**

Structure of foreign policy : decision making, continuity and challenges in Indian foreign policy.

**UNIT -IV**

India's foreign policy in a comparative perspective, India and super power.

**UNIT -V**

India's policy towards her neighbour, India's and UNO, India's approach to major global issues.

**M.A. Semester III**  
**Sixth Elective Paper V**  
**Democracy and development process in India**

**UNIT -I**

Relationship between democracy and development, concept of development, concept of human development, gender development debates.

**UNIT -II**

Socio-economic problem and issues of development in India, poverty social backwardness and disparities, role of historical, sociological and economic, hunger index.

**UNIT -III**

Development strategy and state policies in India, priorities, target groups, approaches and methods.

**UNIT -IV**

Shift in development policies : liberalisation, privatisation, globalisation: implication for weaker section, critiques of development and alternative method.

**UNIT -V**

Democracy, decision making and development, participatory development, decentralized planning, non governmental initiative and peoples empowerment.

**M.A. Semester III**  
**Sixth Elective Paper V**  
**Political Sociology**

**UNIT -I**

Definition and growth of political society, social bases of politics, relationship with sociology for political science.

**UNIT -II**

Models for the study of political behaviour, approaches to the study of political sociology : normative approach and system approach.

**UNIT -III**

Polity and social structure : polity as a social sub-system, the concept of class and elites and ideology and interest, nature of authority in society : traditional and modern bureaucracy, charismatic authority.

**UNIT -IV**

Social groups, social stratification and social mobility, interest groups and voluntary association, socialization and social control : means of primary socialization and their relevance to politics, social control and political power.

**UNIT -V**

Public opinion and propaganda, voting behaviour, role of socio-economic and socio-ethical factors, the social basic of Indian political behaviour, community, language, caste, religion and provincialism, traditional norms democratic, egalitarian and secular values, Sanskritization, westernization and secularisation.

# Semester IV

**M.A. Semester IV**  
**Core Paper I**  
**Political Thinkers of Modern India**

**UNIT -I**

An overview of modern Indian political thought & its development Raja Ram Mohan Rai, Dayanand Saraswati, Swami Vivekanand.

**UNIT -II**

Mahadev Govind Ranade, Gopal Krishna Gokhale, Bal Gangadhar Tilak.

**UNIT -III**

Aurobindo Ghosh, M.K. Gandhi

**UNIT -IV**

Subhash Chandra Bose, J.L. Nehru, Ram Manohar Lohia, Jai Prakash Narayan

**UNIT -V**

B.R. Ambedkar, Jyotirao Phule, Savitribai Phule, Periyar E.V. Ramasamy,

**M.A. Semester IV**  
**Core Paper II**  
**International Politics**

**UNIT -I**

Indian's foreign policy-it's origin continuity and emerging economic power structure in 21st century, India and his neighbour, India foreign economic policy (make in India)

**UNIT -II**

Post cold war issues and consensus democracy, human right, environment issues, Contemporise, debate on Development, arms race & nuclear disarmament.

**UNIT -III**

Third world and its problems, the emergence of unipolar world, the new world order and its major dimension, "OUAD" Abraham accords, objectives, principal and impact.

**UNIT -IV**

Crisis-Israel-Arab conflict, gulf war, Afghanistan crisis, Russia-Ukraine war, comedy-19, Sri Lanka economic crisis

**UNIT -V**

Issues-North-South dialogue south-south cooperation, humanitarian interventions, suctions, Expansion of Democracy.

## **M.A. Semester IV**

### **Core Paper III**

#### **State politics in India (with special religions of UP)**

##### **UNIT -I**

State politics; Theoretical framework, nature & patterns, merging trends-demand for state autonomy.

##### **UNIT -II**

Government machinery in the states : State executive, governor, chief minister, council of ministers, state legislation : composition, power and function, state judiciary : composition power and functions.

##### **UNIT -III**

Changing pattern of Centre-state relation, democratic decentralization and social justice, Rise of regional parties.

##### **UNIT -IV**

Politics of UP-Historical legacies, geographical and democratic profile of UP, pressure groups and there impact on UP politics, major political parties in UP, voting behaviour in UP.

##### **UNIT -V**

Caste, religion, minorities, schedule caste and other backward classes in UP politics, political leadership and changing patterns of dominance, impact of national politics on up politics.

**M.A. Semester IV**  
**Seventh Elective Paper III**  
**Local Self Government**

**UNIT -I**

Evolution of local self government in pre-independence period, local self Government and the Indian political process, since independent, the 73<sup>th</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> amendments of constitution.

**UNIT -II**

Rural and urban local self government, composition and power, emerging patterns of leadership.

**UNIT -III**

Finances of local self government, personnel administration of local government.

**UNIT -IV**

Reservations in the organisation of local self government, local autonomy.

**UNIT -V**

Social, economic and political growth of panchayati raj, local self Government and bureaucracy, local self Government and politics.



**M.A. Semester IV**  
**Seventh Elective Paper III**  
**Research method and in social science**

**UNIT -I**

General remark about social science and natural science research, limitation of social science research, importance of theories and facts in research.

**UNIT -II**

Social science research and public policy, basic parameters I R (Information Retrieval) research.

**UNIT -III**

Sources of information, classification and documentation: techniques of Data collection (Personal Observation Method, respondent perception, survey methods, experimental methods) Classification and tabulation of information, graphical and diagrammatical representation of information.

**UNIT -IV**

Comparison and analysis of information: application averages and measure of central tendency such as mean, median and partitioned values. measure of dispersion, theories of sampling, importance of sample, its characteristics, difference between large and small sample, parameter and static sample, sample types. (Simple, systematic, stratified.

**UNIT -V**

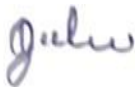
Identification of research problem and research design: formulating a hypothesis and writing thesis

## **M.A. Semester IV**

### **Research Project**

#### **Dissertation**

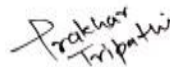
- 1- The student offering this paper will be required to right a reservation off about 40 to 60 hand written pages on a topic and under a supervisor approved by the head of the department of political-science at the college concerned.
- 2- The students will be required to submit their dissertation to the university before the commencement of the examination in theory papers.



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