

**B.A. (Liberal Arts)
GENERIC ELECTIVE**

**SEMESTER – VI
(BLAB33615T) INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM – I
(GE-2) (vii)**

MAX. MARKS:100

EXTERNAL:70

INTERNAL:30

PASS:40%

Credits :6

Objective:

This course provides students with the basic knowledge about certain aspects of constitutional government, its institutional mechanisms and democratic system in India.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/EXAMINER:

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2. The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B will have four questions each from the respective sections of the syllabus and will carry 10 marks each. The candidates will attempt two questions from each section.
3. Section C will have fifteen short answer questions covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 3 marks. Candidates will attempt any 10 questions from this section.
4. The examiner shall give a clear instruction to the candidates to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.
5. The duration of each paper will be three hours.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

Candidates are required to attempt any two questions each from the sections A, and B of the question paper, and any ten short answer questions from Section C. They have to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

SECTION – A

1. Constituent Assembly and making of Indian Constitution.
2. Preamble and Basic features of Indian Constitution.
3. Fundamental Rights and Fundamental Duties: Meaning, Explanation and Evaluation.
4. Directive Principles of State Policy: Meaning, Explanation and Evaluation and its relationship with Fundamental Rights.
5. Indian Federalism: Legislative, Administrative and Financial relations between Union and States.

SECTION – B

1. Union Executive - President: Election, Powers, Position and Changing Role.
2. Prime Minister: Appointment, Powers, Position and Relation between President and Prime Minister.

3. Union Parliament: Composition, Powers and its Changing Role.
4. Speaker of Lok Sabha: Election, Powers, Position and its Changing Role.
5. Supreme Court: Composition, Powers and Judicial Review.

Recommended Readings:

1. G. Austin: The Indian Constitution : Corner Stone of a Nation, Oxford University Press, 1966.
2. G. Austin: Working of a Democratic Constitution : The Indian Experience, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 2000.
3. D.D. Basu: An Introduction to the Constitution of India, New Delhi, Prentice Hall, 1994.
4. C.P. Bhambari: The Indian State fifty years, New Delhi, Sipra, 1997.
5. A.G. Noorani, Constitutional Questions in India, Oxford University Press, 2000.
6. P. Brass: Ethnic Groups and the State, London, Croom Helm, 1995.
7. P. Brass: Language, Religion and Politics in North India, London, Cambridge University Press, 1974.
8. B.L. Fadia: State Politics in India, Vol. II, New Delhi, Radint Publisher, 1984.
9. Laxmikant: Indian Polity, McGraw Hill Education, New Delhi, 2013.
10. R. Kothari: State against Democracy : In Search of Human Governance, Delhi, Ajantha, 1988.
11. R. Kothari: Politics in India, New Delhi, Orient Longman, 1970.
12. Nirja Gopal ayal, Partap Bhanu Mehta, The Oxford Companies to Politics in India, Oxford University Press, 2010.
13. M.V. Pylee : Constituional Government in India, Bombay, Asia Publishing House, 1977.
14. M.V. Pylee: An Introduction to the Constitution of India, New Delhi, Vikas 1998.
15. Partha Chatterjee (ed.), State and Politics in India, Oxford University Press, 1999.