

C2PS230421T

Semester: IV				
Programme: POLITICAL SCIENCE				
Course: POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY				
Paper code: C2PS230421T			Credits: 4	
Hours/week: 4				
Category: CORE (MAJOR)				
Theory / Practical / Composite: THEORY				
No of Modules: TWO				
<p>Course Overview: This course explores the interrelationship between society and politics, focusing on how social structures, cultural patterns and elite formations shape political processes and power relations. It provides the theoretical foundations to enable students to understand political behaviour, participation and social influence within diverse political systems.</p>				
Course Outcome:				
1. Remember- key concepts in Political Sociology				
2. Understand- the relationship between social structures, cultural patterns, political power, and participation.				
3. Apply- elite theories and assess their contemporary relevance.				
4. Analyze- the role of civil society and social identities in shaping modern political dynamics.				
5. Evaluate- sociological perspectives to issues of class, caste, religion and gender in politics.				
6. Create- theories and concepts for a comprehensive understanding of the linkage between politics and society.				
Prerequisites: Basic knowledge about any prior course				
SYLLABUS				
UNIT/Module	CONTENT	HOURS or NUMBER OF CLASSES	CO Mapping	COGNITIVE LEVEL
I.	1. Nature and Scope 2. Political Elites: Mosca, Michels, Pareto 3. Political Culture, Socialization and Participation 4. Civil Society: Concept and Issues	26	CO1 CO2 CO3 CO4 CO5 CO6	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
II.	5. Social stratification: class, caste and ethnicity (select issues) 6. Religion and politics: views of Marx, Durkheim, Weber	26	CO1 CO2 CO3 CO4 CO5 CO6	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6

	7. Gender and Politics: Basic issues			
Text Books				
1. Chakraborty, Satyabrata (ed) (2005) Political Sociology. New Delhi: Macmillan India Ltd.				
2. Mukhopadhyay, A.K. (1980) Political Sociology – An Introductory Analysis. Kolkata: K.P. Bagchi & Company				
3. Heywood, Andrew (2002) Politics. New York: Palgrave Foundations.				
Suggested readings				
1. Bottomore, T.B. (1975) Sociology – A Guide to Problems and Literature. New Delhi: Blackie & Son (India)				
2. Ponton, Geoffrey & Gill, Peter (1998) Introduction to Politics. Oxford, UK: Blackwell Publishers				
Evaluation: Theory CIA: 30 marks (Mid-semester exam: 20+ Assignment: 5+ Attendance: 5) End semester exam :70 marks				
Paper Structure for Theory Semester Exam Module: Short Notes: 3 out of 5 of 5marks each (3x5=15) Essay Type: 2 out of 4 of 10 marks each (2X10= 20) (35 marks per module) 35+35 (Module I + Module II= 70); (70+30 CIA=100)				

Course outcomes (COs) and Cognitive Level Mapping

COs	CO Description	Cognitive levels
CO1	Remember: key concepts in Political Sociology	K1
CO2	Understand: the relationship between social structures, cultural patterns, political power, and participation	K2
CO3	Apply: elite theories and assess their contemporary relevance.	K3
CO4	Analyze: the role of civil society and social identities in shaping modern political dynamics.	K4
CO5	Evaluate: sociological perspectives to issues of class, caste, religion and gender in politics.	K5
CO6	Create: theories and concepts for a comprehensive understanding of the linkage between politics and society.	K6