

C3PS230511T

Semester: V				
Programme: POLITICAL SCIENCE				
Course: INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT: ANCIENT AND MEDIAVAL				
Paper code: C3PS230511T			Credits: 4	
Hours/week: 4				
Category: Core/MDC/SEC/VAC: MAJOR				
Theory / Practical / Composite: Theory				
Number of Modules: TWO				
Course Overview: This paper enables students to gain insights into the most important political themes and concepts which have shaped the dominant discourses of modern Indian politics and political philosophy, as well as debates and perspectives which have informed the growth of the political ideas of late colonial India.				
Course Outcome:				
1. Remember: basic details of concepts and ideas				
2. Understand: learn the nuances, the background, the philosophical foundations of major political ideas in ancient and medieval India				
3. Apply: Principles of state, law and governance to contemporary times				
4. Analyse: interpret and assess the significance of political ideas				
5. Evaluate: assess and compare the evolution of the political ideas of different thinkers				
6. Create: develop research statements and hypotheses out of these issues				
Prerequisites: Basic knowledge about any prior course				
SYLLABUS				
UNIT/Module	CONTENT	HOURS or NUMBER OF CLASSES	CO Mapping	COGNITIVE LEVEL
I.	1. Nature of ancient Indian political thought: Sources and traditions 2. Key concepts in ancient India: State, ethics, kingship, law and political obligation in Mahabharata, Arthashastra, Manusmriti and Dighanikaya	26	CO1 CO2 CO3 CO4 CO5 CO6	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6

II.	<p>3. Nature of Medieval Indian political thought: Sources and traditions</p> <p>4. Key concepts in medieval India: State, ethics, kingship, law and political obligation in Fatwa-i-Jahandari and Ain-i-Akbari</p>	26	CO1 CO2 CO3 CO4 CO5 CO6	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
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Text Books

1. Altekar, State and Government in Ancient India, Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi, 1992.
2. V. P. Varma, Studies in Hindu Political Thought and its Metaphysical Foundations, Motilal Banarsidass, 1954.
3. R. S. Sharma, Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India. Motilal Banarsidass Publishers. Delhi 1999, reprint. Pp105-118
4. Fouzia Farooq Ahmed, I B Tauris, Muslim Rule in Medieval India---Power and Religion in the Delhi Sultanate, London and New York, 2016.

Suggested Readings:

5. D.M Brown, The White Umbrella: Indian Political thought from Manu to Gandhi, University of California Press, Berkeley, 1953.
6. V. R. Mehta, Foundation of Indian political thought, Manohar, 2007
7. Suratha Mullick and Ankit Tomar, Ancient and Medieval Indian Political thought, Sage, New Delhi, 2020
8. M A Muqtedar Khan, Islam and Good Governance---A Political Philosophy of Ihsan, Palgrave Macmillan, New York, 2019.

Evaluation

<p>Theory CIA: 30 (mid-semester exam 20 + 5 Assignment) + 5 Attendance = 30 Semester Exam: 70</p>
<p>Paper Structure for Theory Semester Exam Module: Short Notes: 3 out of 5 of 5 marks 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)</p>

Course outcomes (COs) and Cognitive Level Mapping

COs	CO Description	Cognitive levels
CO1	Remember: basic details of concepts and ideas	K1
CO2	Understand: learn the nuances, the background, the philosophical foundations of major political ideas in ancient and medieval India	K2
CO3	Apply: Principles of state, law and governance to contemporary times	K3
CO4	Analyse: interpret and assess the significance of political ideas	K4
CO5	Evaluate: assess and compare the evolution of the political ideas of different thinkers	K5
CO6	Create: develop research statements and hypotheses out of these issues	K6