

**B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE Syllabus**  
**(Choice-Based Credit System - W.E.F. 2020-21)**

**SEMESTER IV**  
**COURSE-IV : INDIAN POLITICAL PROCESS**

**Learning Outcomes:**

On successful completion of the course the students will be able to :

Know and understand the federal system of the country and some of the vital contemporary emerging issues.

Evaluate the electoral system of the country and to identify the areas of electoral reforms.

Know the constitutional base and functioning of local governments with special emphasis on 73<sup>rd</sup> & 74<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Acts.

Understand the dynamics of Indian politics, challenges faced and gain a sensitive comprehension to the contributing factors.

Apply the knowledge and critically comprehend the functioning of some of the regulatory and governance institutions.

Propose theoretical outline alternate models

<b>UNIT-I :</b>	<b>FEDERAL PROCESSES</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Features of Indian Federal System- Centre-State Relations- Legislative, Administrative and Financial</li><li>2. Emerging Trends in Centre-State Relations-Restructuring Centre-State Relations-Recommendations of Sarkaria Commission, M.M.Punchi Commission</li></ol>

<b>UNIT-II :</b>	<b>ELECTORAL PROCESSES</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The Election Commission of India, Powers and Functions.</li><li>2. Issues of Electoral Reforms, Voting Behaviour-Determinants and Problems of Defections</li></ol>

<b>UNIT-III :</b>	<b>GROSSROOT DEMOCRACY-DECENTRALISATION</b>
	1. Panchayat Raj system-Local and Urban Governments-Structure, Powers and Functions.
	2. Democratic Decentralization-Rural Development and Poverty alleviation with reference to 73 <sup>rd</sup> and 74 <sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Acts, Challenges and Prospects.

<b>UNIT-IV :</b>	<b>SOCIAL DYNAMICS AND EMERGING CHALLENGES TO INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM</b>
	1. Role of Caste, Religion, Language and Regionalism in India.
	2. Politics of Reservation, Criminalization of Politics and Internal threats to Security.

<b>UNIT-V :</b>	<b>REGULATORY AND GOVERNANCE INSTITUTIONS</b>
	1. NITI Ayog, Finance Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
	2. Central Vigilance Commission, Central Information Commission, Lokpal and Lokayukta.

## **REFERENCE BOOKS:**

➤ M.V.Pylee	:	<i>Indian Constitution Constitutional Government in India</i>
➤ D.D.Basu	:	<i>An Introduction to the Constitution of India</i>
➤ Rajni Kothari	:	<i>Politics in India, Caste in Indian Politics</i>
➤ PeuGhosh	:	<i>Indian Government and Politics</i>
➤ Prof.Lalaiah, P.Venkataramana, K.SaiBaba&K.Mallesam, Prof.V.RaveendraSastry (ed)	:	<i>Indian Government-Politics</i>
➤ M.R.Biju	:	<i>Democratic Political Process</i>
➤ J.K.Chopra (ed)	:	<i>Local Self-Government and Municipal Administration</i>
➤ Susan Bayly	:	<i>Caste, Society and Politics in India (From the Eighteenth Century to the Modern Age)</i>
➤ SubharataDutta	:	<i>Democratic Decentralisation and Grossroot Leadership in India</i>
➤ H.V.Hande	:	<i>Dr.B.R. Ambedkar&amp; The Making of the Indian Constitution</i>
➤ S.K.Sharma&UshaSarma	:	<i>Politics and Administration in India- A Retrospective Survey</i>
➤ Hari Prasad Chhetri	:	<i>Panchayatraj System and Development Planning</i>
➤ B.C.Fadia	:	<i>Indian Government and Politics</i>
➤ UpendraBaxi&Biku Parekh	:	<i>Crisis and Change in Contemporary India</i>
➤ M.Lakshmikant	:	<i>Indian Polity, Governance in India</i>
➤ N.G.Jayal (ed)	:	<i>Democracy in India</i>
➤ Peter Ronald deSouza&E. Sridharan	:	<i>India's Political Parties</i>
➤ O.P.Tiwari	:	<i>Federalism and Centre-State Relations in India</i>
➤ AthulKohli (ed)	:	<i>The Success of India's Democracy</i>
➤ C.B.Raju	:	<i>Social Justice and the Constitution of India</i>
➤ V.K.Garg	:	<i>Caste and Reservation in India</i>

➤ U.Baxi	:	<i>The Indian Supreme Court and Politics Parliamentary Procedure, Law Privilege, Practice &amp;Precedents</i>
➤ VishnooBhagwan & VidyaBhushan	:	<i>Indian Administration</i>
➤ S.H.Patil	:	<i>The Constitution, Government and Politics in India</i>

**ANNEXURE**  
**CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

All Co-curricular activities recommended at Course – I & III
A Field Visit to a Court / District Jail / Local Government Office to observe the structure and functioning
Viva voce interviews.
Computerized adaptive testing, literature surveys and evaluations.
Encouragement to students to contribute articles to the magazines and seminars