M.Phil Programme in Political Science

w.e.f. 2015-2016

Scheme of Examination

The M.Phil Programme in the Department of Political Science is spread over three semesters. The first semester will comprise of three papers and the student has to opt 3 papers out of the four offered each paper will be of 100 marks. The second semester will have three papers of 100 marks of each. The third semester will comprise of the dissertation carrying weightage of 200 marks. Total weightage for M.Phil would be 800 marks.

1st Semester

| Paper No. | Nomenclature | Max. Marks | Internal Assessment (Assignments/Seminar) | Written | Examination |
|-----------|---|---------------|---|---------|-------------|
| | | | | Marks | Time |
| 1 | Research Methodology | 100 | 20 | 80 | 3 Hours |
| II | Recent Trends and Issues in Indian Politics | 100 | 20 | 80 | 3 Hours |
| III | Key Political Thinkers | 100 | 20 | 80 | 3 Hours |
| IV | Computer Application | 100 | 40 | 60 | 3 Hours |

2nd Semester

| Paper No. | Nomenclature | Max. Marks | Internal Assessment (Assignments/Seminar) | Written | Examination |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|---------------|---|---------|-------------|
| | | | Practical | Marks | Time |
| V | Contemporary Political Theory | 100 | 20 | 80 | 3 Hours |
| VI | Contemporary Indian Political Thought | 100 | 20 | 80 | 3 Hours |
| VII | Political Sociology | 100 | 20 | 80 | 3 Hours |

3rd Semester

DISSERTATION: Maximum Marks 200 (150 for evaluation of Dissertation and 50 for Viva-voce). The student shall have to submit a dissertation in partial fulfillment of the degree. The topics for dissertation shall be approved by the Departmental Committee. The submission/ evaluation of dissertation shall be as per the M.Phil ordinance.

Note: Internal assessment of 20 marks would comprise of one seminar of 10 marks and two assignments of 5 marks each.

Syllabus For M. Phil (Political Science) w.e.f. 2015-2016 FIRST SEMESTER

PAPER 1: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Max. Marks: 100

Written Examination Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 Hours

Note: - The Paper will consist of two parts. The first part (Written examination) of 80 marks will be divided into four units. There will be two questions in each unit and the student will have to answer one question from each unit. The second part of 20 marks will consist of two assignments and a seminar paper to be evaluated by the course teacher.

Unit-I

- Theories of knowledge: Empiricism and Rationalism.
- Nature of Scientific Research, Assumptions, Assumptions and Steps in scientific method,
 Limitations of scientific method.
- Hypothesis: Nature, Types and Sources of Hypothesis, Characteristics of an useful Hypothesis, Importance and Role of Hypothesis
- Theory as a guide to the Research Process

Unit -II

- Research Design, Preparation of Research Design for Various types of Research.
- Importance and Role of Research Design.
- Sampling Design: Concept and Principles of Sampling.
- Types of Sampling: Simple, Random Sampling, Systematic Random Sampling, Stratified Random Sampling, Multi-stage Sampling, Non Probability Sampling.
- Characteristics and Problems of Representative Sample.

Unit -III

- Types and Sources of Data.
- Techniques of Data Collection: Observation, Interview and Questionnaire.
- Data Analysis: Editing and Coding of Data, Classification and Tabulation of Data, Scaling Techniques, Statistical Analysis: Measures of Central Tendency, Co-relations Content Analysis.

Unit -IV

- Research and Theory.
- Research Report Writing.
- Problems of objective in Social Science Research.

Books Recommended:

Galtung, John Theory and Methods of Social Science Research

(London: George Alle & Unvin, 1970)

PAPER II: RECENT TRENDS AND ISSUES IN INDIAN POLITICS

Max. Marks: 100

Written Examination Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 Hours

Note: - The Paper will consist of two parts. The first part (Written examination) of 80 marks will be divided into four units. There will be two questions in each unit and the student will have to answer one question from each unit. The second part of 20 marks will consist of two assignments and a seminar paper to be evaluated by the course teacher.

Unit-I

- Recent trends in India federalism; Demands of State Autonomy and Separatist Movement, Tension areas in Centre-State Relations, Impact of Planning and Party System on Federalism.

Unit -II

- Tradition and Modernity in India, Politics of Reservation, Political Corruption, Criminalization of Politics, Terrorism, Politics of Violence, Globalization and its implication for India.

Unit -III

- Election Commission of Electoral Reforms, Electoral Politics and Voting Behaviour.

Unit -IV

- Rise of Hindu Nationalization and Discourse on Hindutva, Discourse on Secularism, Dalit and Backward Caste Politics, Women Politics and Gender Debate.

Books Recommended:

Paul R. Brass The Politics of India since Independence.

A.R. Desii (ed.) Peasant Struggles.

Atul Kohli Democracy and Discontent: India's growing crisis of Governability.

A. K. Java (ed.) Indian Politics at the cross roadsA. S. Narang Indian Government & Politics.

Azam, Kausar, J. Political Aspects of National Integration.
 C.P. Bhambri Indian State Government & Politics
 C.P. bhambri Indian Politics Since Independence
 Desai A. R. Recent Trends in Indian Nationalism

K. Seshadri Studies in Indian Polity

Mekhala Kulapati Political Disputes and Nation Building in

Srinivas, M.N. Independent India

Smith Donald E. India as Secular State

Sharma, B.A. V. Reservation Policy in Indian Kharkunis. Ready, K.M. Eds. Indian Politics and the Role of the Press

Dhavan, Rajeev The Supreme Court of Indian and Parliamentary Sovereignty.

PAPER III: KEY POLITICAL THINKERS

Max. Marks: 100

Written Examination Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 Hours

Note: - The Paper will consist of two parts. The first part (Written examination) of 80 marks will be divided into four units. There will be two questions in each unit and the student will have to answer one question from each unit. The second part of 20 marks will consist of two assignments and a seminar paper to be evaluated by the course teacher.

Unit-I

Plato: Ideal State, Theory of Justice, Theory of Education, Theory of Communism

Aristotle: Theory of State, Theory of Revolution, Theories of Citizenship, Property and Slavery

Unit -II

Machiavelli: Theory of State and Government, Ideas on Politics, Morality and Religion

Hobbes: Theory of Social Contract, Theory of Sovereignity.

Unit -III

Rousseau: Theory of Social Contract, Theory of General Will.

Hegel: Dialectical Method, Theory of State

Marx: Dialectical Materialism, Theory of Historical Materialism, Theory of Class Struggle.

Unit -IV

Lenin: Modification of Marxism

Mao Tse Tung: Modification of Marxism.

Books Recommended:

Cockar, F.W. Recent Political Thought (Calcutta World Press, 1957).

Carew-Hunt R.N. The Theory and practice of Communism (Pelicn Edition 1965)

Deane, H.A. The Political Ideas of Laski (New York Columbia University Press, 1951)

Mayer, Alfred, G. Leninism (Cambridge, 1957)

Verma, V.P. Modern Indian Political Thought (Agra, Laxmi Aggarwal, 1972)

J. Rawls A Theory of Justice

Gandhi, Madan G Modern Political Analysis (Oxford & IBH, Delhi, 1982) Gandhi, Madan G Modern Political Theory (Oxford & IBH, Delhi, 1982)

Syllabus For M. Phil (Political Science) w.e.f. 2015-2016 SECOND SEMESTER

PAPER IV: CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL THEORY

Max. Marks: 100

Written Examination Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 Hours

Note: - The Paper will consist of two parts. The first part (Written examination) of 80 marks will be divided into four units. There will be two questions in each unit and the student will have to answer one question from each unit. The second part of 20 marks will consist of two assignments and a seminar paper to be evaluated by the course teacher.

Unit-I

Liberalism, Contemporary Liberalism, Libertarianism, Communitarianism.

Unit -II

Post-Modernism, Post-Colonialism, Multi-Culturalism, Theories of Conflict

Unit -III

Structuralism, Post- Marxism, Scientific Humanism, Social Democracy.

Unit -IV

Feminism, Environmentalism, Civil Society, Human Rights...

Books Recommended:

Neeraa Chanhoke (1995) State and Civil Society, New Delhi, Sage.

David Held (1993) Political Theory and the Modern State, Cambridge, Polity.

David Held (1990) Political Theory Today, , Cambridge, Polity.

Leela Gandhi (2005) Post Colonial Theory, New York, New Delhi, Oxford University Press.

Margret Walters (2008) Feminism, New York/New Delhi, Oxford University Press.

Dareen J O'Byrne (2007) Human Rights, New Delhi, Pearson Education.

Sushila Ramaswamy (2008) Political Theory, New Delhi, Macmilan.

John McLeod (2007) Beginning Post Colonialism, New York/Chennai

Manchester University Press

PAPER V: CONTEMPORARY INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

Max. Marks: 100

Written Examination Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 Hours

Note: - The Paper will consist of two parts. The first part (Written examination) of 80 marks will be divided into four units. There will be two questions in each unit and the student will have to answer one question from each unit. The second part of 20 marks will consist of two assignments and a seminar paper to be evaluated by the course teacher.

Unit-I

School of Indian Liberalism: Dadabhai Naoroji, M.G. Ranade and G.K. Gokhale.

Unit -II

School of Militant Nationalism: B.G. Tilak, B.C. Pal, Lajpat Rai, Aurobindo Ghosh.

School of Indian Socialism: Narendra Deva, J.P. Narayan and Ram Manohar Lohia.

Humanism: M.N. Roy.

Unit -III

School of Gandhian Political Thoughts: M.K., J.P. Narain and Vinoba Bhave.

Unit -IV

Hindu Nationalism: Savarkar

Composite Nationalism: Jawaharlal Nehru

Critique of Caste System: Ambedkar.

Books Recommended:

Cocker, F.W. Recent Political Thought (Calcutta World Press, 1957)

Carew-Hunt R.N. The Theory and Practice of Communism (Pelican Edition 1965)

Deane, H.A The Political Ideas of Laski (New York Columbia University Press, 1951)
Green, T.H. Lectures on Principles of Political Obligation (London, Longman, 1947)

Howe, Irving Beyond the New Left (Mc. Gell, 1978)

PAPER VI: POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

Max. Marks: 100

Written Examination Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 Hours

Note:- The Paper will consist of two parts. The first part (Written examination) of 80 marks will be divided into four units. There will be two questions in each unit and the student will have to answer one question from each unit. The second part of 20 marks will consist of two assignment and a seminar paper to be evaluated by the course teacher.

Unit-I Political Sociology: Definitin, Nature, Scope; Political systems-Major Types, Socio-

political ideology- socialism, Fascism and Sarvodya.

Unit-II Concepts in Political Sociology: Democratic Polity-Parties, Political Culture, Political

Participation, Pressure Groups, Political recruitment.

Unit-III Approaches to study Political Systems: Structural-functional, System approach,

Behavioural and Conflict approaches

Unit- IV Society and Polity in India: Constitutional aspect; Institutional Structure; Social bases

of Politics in India: Caste and Religion.

References:

Allardt, E. and Rukkan, S.: Politics: Studies in Political Sociology; 1970

Almond and Colemn: The Politics of Developing Areas: Princeton University Press; 1960

Almond and Powell: Comparative Politics Development Approach, New Delhi; 1972

Bendix, R,: Nation Buliding and Citizen Ship: Studies of Our Changing Social Order, John Villey & Sons;

1964

Lapalombaran, Joseph& Weiner Myron, : Political Parties and Political Development; 1966

Pizzorno, A.: Political Sociology, Penguin Books; 1970

Pye, Lucien, : Aspects of Political Development, Amering Publishing Company Ltd. 1966

Rush, M.,: Political Sociology, New York; 1966

Runciman, W.G.: Social Sciences and Political Theory, Cambridge University Press; 1969