

**VIMALA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS),  
THRISSUR**



**SYLLABUS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**AS**

**COMPLEMENTARY PAPERS OF**

**BA SOCIOLOGY AND ENGLISH LITERATURE**

**(CBCSSUG 2019)**

**SCHEME AND SYLLABUS**

**2019 ADMISSION ONWARDS**

**Question paper type Scheme of Examinations:** The external QP with 80 marks and internal examination is of 20 marks.

Duration of each external examination is 2.5 Hrs.

The pattern of External Examination is as given below. The students can answer all the questions in Sections A&B. But there shall be Ceiling in each section.

Section A Short answer type carries 2 marks each - 15 questions Ceiling – 25

Section B Paragraph/ Problem type carries 5 marks each - 8 questions Ceiling – 35

Section C Essay type carries 10 marks (2 out of 4) 2X10=2

Components with percentage of marks of Internal Evaluation of Theory Courses are- Test paper 40%, Assignment 20%, Seminar 20% and Class room participation based on attendance 20%.

Split up of marks for Test paper Range of Marks in test paper

	Out of 8 (Maximum internal marks is 20)
Less than 35%	1
35%- 45%	2
45% - 55%	3
55% - 65%	4
65% -85%	6
85%-100%	8

Split up of marks for Class Room Participation

Range of CRP	Out of 4 (Maximum internal marks is 20)
50% ≤CRP	1
75%	2
85%	4

**Program:** Complementary course for BA Sociology and BA English Literature (2019 admission)

PSO1	Understand the process through which the constitution of India came into existence, its salient features, its philosophical base, fundamental rights, fundamental duties and directive principles of state policy
PSO2	Understand the structure and functions of different organs of governments in India; legislature, executive and judiciary.
PSO3	Understand the main features of Indian federal system, centre state relations and three tier system of decentralization.
PSO4	Understand about party system, regionalism, minority rights

Semester 1/2 **IPS1 (2) CO1** Indian Constitution and Politics: Basic Features and Governmental Structures

### **Course Objectives**

At the end of the course, the students will be able to understand the process through which the constitution of India came into existence, its salient features, its philosophical base, fundamental rights, fundamental duties and directive principles of state policy. This course also help students to understand the structure and functions of different organs of governments in India; legislature, executive and judiciary

**Module I-** a) Importance of Constitution b) Constitutional developments with special reference to Govt. of India Acts: 1909; 1919; 1935 and Indian Independence Act 1947

**Module II-** a) Basic features of the constitution b) The Preamble – with special reference to 42nd amendment act c) Fundamental Rights and Fundamental Duties, d) Directive Principles of State Policies, Tussle between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles

**Module III** a. Union Executive- President and Vice President; Prime Minister; Council of Ministers – powers and functions

b. Bureaucracy - Civil Services in India, UPSC

c. Union Legislature – a) Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha – Composition, powers and functions; Role of the Speaker

**Module IV** a. State Executive – Governor; Chief Minister; Council of Ministers – powers and functions b. State Legislature – Assembly and Council- Composition, powers and functions

**Module V** a. Supreme Court and High Court- Composition, jurisdiction and functions b. Judicial review, Judicial Activism and Independence of Judiciary

Semester. 3/4 (IPS4 (3) CO2) Indian Constitution and Politics: Federalism, Decentralization and Political Dynamics

### **Course Objectives**

This course would help students to critically evaluate the main features of Indian federal system, centre state relations and three tier system of decentralization. The process of constitutional amendments and major amendments is another important discussion in this paper. Students also develop fairly good idea about party system, regionalism, minority rights, etc., by the end of the course.

**Module I-** a) Indian Federalism - Constitutional provisions b) Union- State Relations- Legislative, Administrative and Financial provisions c) Challenges to Indian federalism d) Finance Commission, Niti Ayog, GST Council, Inter State Council- Composition, Powers and Functions

**Module II-** a) Panchayath Raj System in Kerala- 73RD and 74th Constitutional Amendments, People's Planning Programme b) Impact of reservation in Panchayath Raj system

**Module III-** a) Procedure to amend the constitution b) Major constitutional amendments with special reference to 1, 42, 44, 52, 86, 101

**Module IV** a) Indian Party System- Major features and Emerging trends b) Major National and Regional political parties c) Regionalism – threat or strengthening of democracy?

**Module V** a) Constitutional provisions to protect human rights – Civil and Political rights, Socio Economic and Cultural rights b) Protection of minorities – religious, linguistic and sexual minorities, Right to Information Act

### **Reading List**

- 1 D. D. Basu, Introduction to the Constitution of India, Prentice Hall, 2010.
2. Dr. M. V. Pylee, India's Constitution, Vikas, New Delhi 2010
3. Dr.B.L.Fadia, Indian Government and Politics, Sahitya Bhavan Publications, 2010.
4. Dr.A.P, Avasthi, Indian Government and Politics, Lakshmi Narayan Agarwal, 2012
5. J.C.Johari, Indian Political System, Anmol Publications, 2008.
6. Grenville Austin, Indian Constitution: A cornerstone of a Nation, OUP, New Delhi, 2008.
7. Brij Kishore Shama, Introduction to the Constitution of India. Prentice Hall, New Delhi, 2007.
8. Bidyut Chakrabarthy, Indian Government and Politics. Sage, New Delhi 2008.
9. Lakshmi Kanth, Indian Polity, TATA Magrow, New Delhi 2010.
10. A. G. Noorani, Constitutional and Citizen's Rights, OUP, New Delhi, 2006.
11. N P Singh and Rekha Saxsena, Indian Politics, Constitutional Foundations and Institutional Functions, PHI, 2014.

