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SYLLABUS DISTRIBUTION (2026-27)

SEMESTER-I

SUBJECT- POLITICAL SCIENCE

POL-M-T-1: Understanding Political Theory: Concepts

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
TANIMA BANIK	POL-M-T-1	Unit 1: What is Politics? Unit 2: Key concepts I: State; Nation; Sovereignty (Monistic and Pluralistic); Power and Authority---types and linkages;	30
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-M-T-1	Unit 3: Key concepts II: Law. Liberty, Equality. Unit 6: Key concepts V: Citizenship.	30
DINESH DAS	POL-M-T-1	Unit 4: Key concepts III: Rights; Justice (with special reference to Rawls); Freedom. Unit 5: Key concepts IV: Democracy (with special reference to David Held); Authoritarianism	30

POL-MI--T-1: Indian Constitution

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
TANIMA BANIK	POL-MI-T-1	Unit 3: Federalism and Decentralization in India: Nature of Indian Federalism: Union-State Relations – Nature and Evolving Trends of Federalism in India, 5th and 6th Schedules, Panchayati Raj and Municipalities Unit 4: Union Executive: President and Vice President. Prime Minister and Council of Ministers, Relationship between President and Prime Minister	20
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-MI-T-1	Unit 5: Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha: Composition	20



		and Functions, Speaker. Unit 6: The Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Composition and Functions, Judicial Activism & Public Interest Litigation (PIL).	
DINESH DAS	POL-MI-T-1	Unit 1: Framing of the Indian Constitution: Role of the Constituent Assembly, the Preamble and Philosophy of Indian Constitution. Unit 2: Rights and Duties: Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles of State Policy.	20

POL--SEC-P-1: Legislative Practices and Procedures

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
TANIMA BANIK	POL-SEC-P-1	Unit 1: Powers and functions of people's representative at different tiers of governance: Members of Parliament, State Legislative Assemblies - functionaries of rural and urban local governance.	20
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-SEC-P-1	Unit 4 : Budget Document : Overview of Budget Process, Role of Parliament in reviewing the Union Budget, Railway Budget, Examination of Demands for Grants of Ministries, Working of Ministries	20
DINESH DAS	POL-SEC-P-1	Unit 3: Legislative Committees: Types and role – Types of committees, Role of committees in reviewing government finances, policy, programmes, and legislation. Unit 2: Legislative Process - How a Bill becomes a Law, Role of the Standing Committee in reviewing a Bill, Legislative Consultations, amendments to a Bill, the framing of Rules and Regulations.	20



SEMESTER-II
SUBJECT- POLITICAL SCIENCE

POL-M-T-2-Understanding Political Theory: Approaches and Debates

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
TANIMA BANIK	POL-M-T-2	Unit 1: Approaches I: Normative; Legal-Institutional; Empirical-Behavioural---Systems Analysis; Structural - Functionalism. Unit 2: Approaches II: Liberalism; Social Welfarism; Neo-Liberalism.	30
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-M-T-2	Unit 4: Marxian approach--- Dialectical Materialism and Historical Materialism. Unit 5: Key ideas: State; Class and Class Struggle; Surplus Value.	30
DINESH DAS	POL-M-T-2	Unit 3: Approaches III: Feminist. Unit 6: Party--- Democratic Centralism; Lenin-Rosa Luxemburg debate; Revolution--- Lenin and Mao. Hegemony and Civil Society: Gramsci.	30

POL-MI--T-1: Indian Constitution

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	POL-MI-T-1	Unit 3: Federalism and Decentralization in India: Nature of Indian Federalism: Union-State Relations – Nature and Evolving Trends of Federalism in India, 5th and 6th Schedules, Panchayati Raj and Municipalities Unit 4: Union Executive: President and Vice President. Prime Minister and Council of Ministers, Relationship between President and Prime Minister	20
TANIMA BANIK	POL-MI-T-1	Unit 5: Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha: Composition and Functions, Speaker. Unit 6: The Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Composition and Functions, Judicial Activism & Public Interest Litigation (PIL).	20
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-MI-T-1	Unit 1: Framing of the Indian Constitution: Role of the Constituent Assembly, the Preamble and Philosophy of Indian Constitution. Unit 2: Rights and Duties: Fundamental	20

		Rights and Duties, Directive Principles of State Policy.	
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POL-SEC-P-2 : Nationalism in India

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
TANIMA BANIK	POL-SEC-P-2	Unit 3: Nationalist Politics and Expansion of its Social Base: a. Phases of the Nationalist Movement: Birth of INC & Liberal constitutionalist phase , Swadeshi and the Radicals, Formation of the Muslim League b. Gandhi and mass mobilization: Non-cooperation, Civil Disobedience, and Quit India Movements c. Socialist alternatives: Congress socialists, Communists.	20
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-SEC-P-2	Unit 1: Colonial Rule in India and its impact: On agriculture, land relations, industry and administration system. Unit 2: Reform and Resistance: a. The Revolt of 1857 b. Major social and religious movements c. Education and the rise of the new middle class in India.	20
DINESH DAS	POL-SEC-P-2	Unit4: Partition and Independence: Communalism in Indian Politics – The Two-Nation Theory, Negotiations over Partition.	10



SEMESTER-IV
MAJOR-T-4

Pol -M-T-4: Indian Political Thought (Modern)

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	Pol -M-T-4	Unit 1: Rammohan Roy– Views on rule of law, Rights, freedom of thought and social justice. Unit 2: Vivekananda: Views on Cultural nationalism, Society and Education. Unit 3: Syed Ahmed Khan and Iqbal: views on colonialism and nationalism.	35
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	Pol -M-T-4	Unit4: Rabindranath Tagore: Critique of Nationalism and his views on Internationalism. Unit 5: M.N.Roy: Views on National and Colonial Questions and Radical Humanism. Unit 6: B.R. Ambedkar: Views on social justice and Constitutionalism.	35
TANIMA BANIK	Pol -M-T-4	Unit 7: Pandita Ramabai: Her views on Gender & Social Justice. Unit 8: Pt. Nehru: Views on Socialism Unit 9: Ram Manohar Lohia: Views on Socialism.	20

MAJOR-T-5

Pol-M-T-5: Understanding International Relations: Theories and Concepts.

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	Pol -M-T-5	Unit 1: International Relations: outline of its evolution as academic discipline – What is International Relations Theory? Unit 4: National Power- Definition, Elements and Limitation – Balance of Power- Devices of maintaining Balance of Power- Collective Security.	35
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	Pol -M-T-5	Unit 2: The Great Debates in the discipline of International Relations: First, Second and Third. Unit 3: Mainstream International	35



		Relations Theories: (a) Classical Realism and Neo-Realism (b) Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism (c) Marxian - Dependency & World Systems theory (d) Feminist Approach (e) Eurocentricism and Perspectives from the Global South.	
TANIMA BANIK	Pol -M-T-5	Unit 5: Foreign Policy- Objectives – Instruments of foreign policy- Diplomacy, Propaganda and Foreign Aid.	20

MINOR-T-2

Pol -MI-2: India's Foreign Policy in a Globalizing World.

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	Pol -MI-2	Unit 1: India's Foreign Policy: From a Postcolonial State to an Aspiring Global Power Unit 4: India in South Asia: Debating Regional Strategies	25
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	Pol -MI-2	Unit 3: India's Engagements with China Unit 5: India's Negotiating Style and Strategies: Trade, Environment, Energy and Security Regimes.	25
TANIMA BANIK	Pol -MI-2	Unit 2: India's Relations with the USA and USSR/Russia	10



SEMESTER-VII

(MAJOR)

POL-M-T-11: Introducing Political Sociology

Pol -MI-2: India's Foreign Policy in a Globalizing World.

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	POL-M-T-11	Unit 1: Definition, scope and subject matter-social bases of politics. Unit 2: Social Stratification and Politics: Caste, class and elite.	30
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-M-T-11	Unit 3: Power, Influence, and Authority. Unit 4: Political Culture: Meaning, nature and types.	30
TANIMA BANIK	POL-M-T-11	Unit 5: Political Socialization: Meaning and agencies. Unit 6: Political Development and Political Modernization.	30

POL-M-T-12: Western Political Thought (Modern)

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	POL-M-T-12	Unit 1: JJ Rousseau – Concept of General Will, Local or Direct Democracy, Origin of Inequality. Unit 5: Alexandra Kollontai: Winged and Wingless Eros, Proletarian women, Socialization of housework, disagreement with Lenin.	30
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-M-T-12	Unit 3: J.S. Mill- Liberty, Suffrage, Subjection of Women, right of minorities, utility principles. Unit 4: Mary Wollstonecraft: Women and Paternalism- Critique on Rousseau's idea on education- legal rights.	30
TANIMA BANIK	POL-M-T-12	Unit 1: Thomas Hobbes – Materialism, Human Nature & Sovereignty- John Locke – Natural Rights and Property Unit 2: Immanuel Kant –Enlightenment and Moral Freedom - Hegel – Dialectics, Civil Society and State.	30



POL-M-T-13: Foundations of Research Methodology

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	POL-M-T-13	Unit 3: Formulating a Research Problem: What is a Research Problem? The importance of Formulating a Research Problem, Sources of Research Problems, Steps in Formulating a Research Problem, Formulation of Research Objectives, Establishing Operational Definitions. Unit 4: Identifying Variables – The Definition of a Variable, Difference between Concept and Variable, Scope of Concept, Clarity of Concepts, Types of Variables, Types of Measuring Scales.	30
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-M-T-13	Unit 5: Hypothesis – Definition of Hypothesis, Types of Hypothesis, Functions of Hypothesis, Characteristics of Hypothesis, Constructing a Hypothesis, Testing a Hypothesis - t-test and z-test. Unit 6: Conceptualising a Research Design – Definition of Research Design, Functions of Research Design, Difference between Research Design and Study Design, Types of Study Design – Cross-Sectional Study Design, Retrospective Study Design, Experimental Study Design.	30
TANIMA BANIK	POL-M-T-13	Unit 1: What is Research?: Definition of Research, Characteristics of Research, Types of Research, Major Paradigms of Research – Positivism, Interpretivism and Critical Theory, Research Methodology vs Methods. Unit 2: Literature Review: Importance of Review of Literature in Research, Procedure of Conducting a review of Literature, writing up the literature reviewed.	30

POL-MI-T-4: Feminism: Theory and Practice

TEACHER	COURSE	TOPIC	TOTAL CLASS
DINESH DAS	POL-MI-T-4	Unit 5: Understanding Woman's Work and Labour in India– Sexual Division of Labour, Productive and Reproductive labour, Visible -	30



		invisible work – Unpaid (reproductive and care), Underpaid and Paid work, - Methods of computing women's work , Female headed households.	
SUBRATA ADHIKARY	POL-MI-T-4	Unit 1: Approaches to understanding Patriarchy: Feminist theorising of the sex/gender distinction. Biologism versus social constructivism - Understanding Patriarchy and Feminism - Liberal, Socialist, Marxist, Radical feminism, New Feminist Schools/Traditions. Unit 2: History of Feminism: Origins of Feminism in the West: France, Britain and United States of America.	30
TANIMA BANIK	POL-MI-T-4	Unit 3: - Feminist issues and women's participation in anti-colonial and national liberation movements with special focus on India. The Indian Experience: Traditional Historiography and Feminist critiques. Social Reforms Movement and position of women in India. History of Women's struggle in India. Unit 4: Family in contemporary India - patrilineal and matrilineal practices. Gender Relations in the Family, Patterns of Consumption: Intra Household Divisions, entitlements and bargaining, Property Rights of Women in India.	30

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