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**INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS
OR
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THOUGHT**

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COURSE RATIONALE

This paper focuses in detail on the political processes and the actual functioning of the political system. It simultaneously studies in detail the political structure both Constitutional and Administrative. It emphasizes on local influences that derive from social stratification of castes and jatis, from language, religion, ethic and economic determinants and critically assesses its impact on the political processes. The major contradictions of the Indian Political Process are to be critically analyzed along with an assessment of its relative success and failure in a comparative perspective with other developing countries and in particular those belonging to the South Asian region.

Term I

Period

Topic 1: Background and the Salient Features of Indian Constitution

- a) Formation of Constituent Assembly
- b) Philosophy of the Preamble for Indian Constitution 12
- c) Major Features: Parliamentary Democracy, Federalism, Independent Judiciary –Social Justice and Social Transformation

Topic 2: Fundamental Rights, Duties and the Directive Principles of State Policy

- a) Nature of Fundamental Rights –Major Fundamental Rights-Right to Equality, Right to Liberty, Right to Freedom of Religion, Cultural and Educational Rights 12
- b) Importance of Fundamental Duties
- c) Nature and Significance of Directive Principles of State Policy

Topic 3: Federalism

- a) Salient Features of Indian Federalism
- b) Centre –State Relations 12
- c) Issues of Conflict-Water Issue, Border Issue and Sharing of Resources

Topic 4: Structure of Union Government -Legislature-Executive –Judiciary

- a) Union Legislature - Structure-Powers and Role
- b) Union Executive-President, Prime Minister and his Cabinet- 12
Role and Functions
- c) Judiciary- Nature of Judiciary, Supreme Court-Powers and Functions

Term II

Topic 5: Structure of State Government -Legislature-Executive –Judiciary

- a) State Legislature - Structure-Powers and Role 12
- b) State Executive-Governor , Chief Minister and his Cabinet-
Role and Functions
- c) Judiciary- Nature of Judiciary, High Court-Powers and Functions

Topic 6: Party System and Elections

- a) Nature and Changing Pattern of Party System
- b) Elections- Election Commission :-Major Features of Electoral System and
Patterns Of Voting Behavior 12
- c) Rise and Role of Regional Parties

Topic 7: Role of Caste and Religion in Indian Politics

- a) Caste and Politics of Identity
- b) Rise of OBCs 12
- c) Religion and Politics of Communalism

Topic 8: Issues of Regionalism and Development

- a) Causes and Patterns of Regionalism
- b) Issues of Development-Uneven Development-Leading to Regional Imbalance-Poverty Eradication, Health and Education 12

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FYBA Optional Paper

MODERN INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

COURSE RATIONALE

This is an introductory paper to the concepts, ideas and theories that developed in India. It highlights the main sources of the political traditions in ancient India and its development in modern times. It focuses on key thinkers from ancient to modern times to understand their seminal contribution to the evolution of Political theorizing in India. It critically assesses their contribution and explains thinkers to political theorizing and the relative autonomy of Indian political thought. It also situates Indian political thought vis-à-vis other traditions.

<u>Term I</u>	Period
Topic 1: Jyotiba Phule (1827-1890)	
a) Radical liberalism	
b) Critique of Brahmanism and money lenders	12
c) Views on emancipation of Shudra-Atishudra and Women	
d) Doctrine of Sarvajnik Satyadharma	
<u>Topic 2: M.G.Ranade (1842-1901)</u>	
a) Liberalism	
b) Understanding of British Rule in India	12
c) Views on State and Economy	
d) Views on Social Reforms	

Topic 3: B.G.Tilak (1856-1920)

- a) Tilak's theory of Nationalism
- b) Views on 'Swarajya' 12
- c) Critique of Social Reformism
- d) Doctrine of 'Loksangraha'

Topic 4: M.K.Gandhi (1869-1948)

- a) Theory of Satyagraha-meaning of Non Violence-Ends and Means
Debate,Forms of Satyagraha
- b) Critique of Western Civilization 12
- c) Views on Sarvodya
- d) Views on Communal Harmony

Term II

Topic 5: B.R. Ambedkar (1891-1956)

- a) Critique of Caste System and Ways to Annihilate the Caste System
- b) Theory of Social Democracy 12
- c) Views on State Socialism
- d) Doctrine of Dhamma

Topic 6: M.N.Roy (1887-1954)

- a) Understanding of Marxism
- b) Understanding and Critique of Indian National Movement 12
- c) Radical Humanism

Topic 7: V.D.Savarkar (1883-1966)

- a) Theory of Hindutva
- b) Understanding and Critique of British Rule in India 12
- c) Views on Eradication of Caste Discrimination
- d) Savarkar's views on Religion and Science

Topic 8: Abul Kalam Azad (1888-1958)

- a) Theory of Nationalism
- b) Interpretation of Islam
- c) Views on Communal Harmony
- d) Pan -Islamism

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