#### **SYLLABUS FOR PG ENTRANCE TEST 2024**

#### (Political Science)

# ≻ <u>UNIT: I</u>

- 1. Political Science: Nature and Scope
- 2. What is Politics?
  - a. Politics as Art of Government
  - b. Politics as Power
- 3. Approaches to the Study of Politics:
  - a. Philosophical Tradition
  - b. Empirical Tradition
  - c. Scientific/ Behavioral Tradition
- 4. State: Evaluation and Elements; Difference between State, Civil Society and Nation
- 5. Perspectives of State: Liberal, Marxist
- 6. Role of state: Minimal State and Social-Democratic State

#### ≻ <u>UNIT: II</u>

- 1. Liberty: Negative vs Positive
- 2. Equality: Liberal, Libertarian and Socialist Perspective of Equality
- 3. Justice: Procedural, Distributive and Gender Justice
- 4. Democracy: Meaning and Forms-Procedural of Substantive
- 5. Rights: Meaning and Theories of Rights- Natural, Human and Political Rights
- 6. Power: Meaning and Conceptions:
  - a. Power and Legitimacy
  - b. Grounds of Political Obligation

#### <u>UNIT: III</u>

#### Plato

- 1. Ideal State: Concept and Features
- 2. Theory of Justice
- 3. Idea of Philosopher King

### Aristotle

- 1. Concept of Revolution
- 2. View of Slavery
- 3. Classification of Government

# ≻ <u>UNIT: IV</u>

# Machiavelli

- 1. Views on State Craft
- 2. Machiavelli's Secularism

### **Thomas Hobbes**

- 1. State of Nature
- 2. Social Contract
- 3. Theory of Sovereignty

### John Locke

- 1. Social Contract
- 2. Concept of Natural Rights
- 3. Concept of Conditional Government

# UNIT: V

#### J.J Rousseau

- 1. Views on State of Nature
- 2. Concept of General will

# Jeremy Bentham

1. Bentham as Utilitarian

#### John Stuart Will

- 1. Concept of Liberty
- 2. Representative Government

# Karl Marx

- 1. Concept of Class and State
- 2. Concept of Historical Materialism

# Unit: VI

- 1. The nature, scope and methods of comparative political analysis
- 2. Systems and Structural and Functional Approach
- 3. Political Culture
- 4. Political Socialization
- 5. Classification of political systems:
  - a) Parliamentary and Presidential: UK and USA

### **UNIT: VII**

- 1. Constitution as a Framework of Governance
- 2. Functions of Organs of Govt: Legislature, Executive and Judiciary (Comparative Analysis)
- 3. Electoral System: First Past the Proportional Representation Mixed Systems
- 4. Party system: One-Party Two-Party and Multi-Party System: Comparison of Party System in India, US, UK and China

# **UNIT: VIII**

- 1. Approaches to International Relations:
- a. Classical Realism (Hans Morgenthaus ) and Neo-Realism ( KennethWaltz)
- b. Neo-liberalism/complex interdependence Robert O, Keohane, JosephNye
- c. Democratic Peace Theory (Doyle)
- d. International Political Economy Approach (Robert Giplin)
- e. Feminist Perspective of IR (Cynthia Enloe)
- f. Dependency Theory and Neo-colonialism

# UNIT: IX

- 1. Post cold war era emerging centers of power
- a. European Union
- b. China
- c. Japan
- 2. India's foreign policy
  - a. Basic determinants

- b. India and non alignment
- c. India as an emerging power
- 3. Second world war and origins of cold war
- 4. Phases of cold war
- 5. Collapse of Soviet Union and Post cold war era

# UNIT: X

- 1. Modern Indian Political Thought: Salient Feature
- 2. Raja Ram Mohan Roy: Social Reforms
- 3. Mahatma Gandhi: Swaraj and Critique of Modernity
- 4. Maulana Azad: Composite Nationalism
- 5. B.R. Aambedkar: Annihilation of Caste
- 6. J. Nehru: Democratic Socialism
- 7. M.N Roy: Radical Humanism

#### UNIT XI

- 1. Public Administration as a Discipline : Meaning and Scope
- 2. Public and Private Administration
- 3. Comparative Approach to Public Administration
- 4. Principles of Organization
- 5. Line Staff and Auxiliary agencies

# UNIT XII

- 1. Indian Bureaucracy: Continuity and Change
- 2. Impact of Liberalization, Privatization and Globalization on Indian Administration
- 3. Good Governance Initiative in India
- 4. Public Administration in Developing and Developed States: Comparative Analysis
- 5. Approaches to Public Administration:
  - Ecological Approach (Riggs)
  - Systems Approach (Chester Bernard)
  - Decision Making Approach (Herbert Simon)

# **UNIT XIII**

- 1. Constituent Assembly of India: Formation and Working
- 2. Basic Features of Indian Constitution
- 3. Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy
- 4. Union Legislature: Structure and Powers
- 5. Union Executive: Structure and Powers

### UNIT XIV

- 1. Union Judiciary: Powers and Functions of Supreme Court, Judicial Review, Judicial Activism, Public Interest Litigation
- 2. Indian Federalism, Nature and emerging issues
- 3. Election Commission, Composition and powers
- 4. Decentralization( 73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup>Amendments)
- 5. Party System; changing nature
- 6. Critical Issues in Indian Politic:
  - Religion
  - Region
  - Caste
  - Development

# UNIT XV

- 1. Formation of Jammu and Kashmir State
- 2. Political Awakening, Emergence of All Jammu and Kashmir Muslim Conference; its conversion into National Conference
- 3. Government Structure: Legislature, Executive and Judiciary
- 4. Local Self Government in Jammu and Kashmir
- 5. Land Reforms in Jammu and Kashmir
- 6. De-operationalisation of Article 370
- 7. Jammu and Kashmir State Re-organization Act 2019