



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

Discipline	POLITICAL SCIENCE				
Course Code	UK3DSCPOS200				
Course Title	Dynamics of Indian Political System				
Type of Course	DSC				
Semester	3				
Academic Level	200-299				
Course Details	Credit	Lecture per week	Tutorial per week	Practical per week	Total Hours/Week
	4	4 hours	-	-	4
Pre-requisites	1. 2.				
Course Summary	This course offers an in-depth exploration of Indian federalism, examining features, party dynamics, globalization's influence, democratic challenges, and recent debates such as the Citizenship Amendment Act and Article 370 abrogation, providing a holistic understanding of India's complex political landscape. Through a multifaceted approach, it delves into the intricacies of governance, electoral processes, and the challenges to Indian democracy.				

Detailed Syllabus:

Module	Unit	Content	Hrs
I	Understanding Indian Federalism		13
	1	Salient Features of Indian Federalism-Cooperative and Competitive Federalism.	
	2	Fiscal Federalism-GST and NITI Aayog.	
	3	Role of Governor-A Critical Debate	
	4	Sarkaria Commission-Key Recommendations	
II	Electoral System and Party Politics in India		13
	5	Election Commission of India –Powers and functions	
	6	Alliance Politics in India-NDA, UPA, I.N.D.I.A Alliance	
	7	Ideology oriented political parties-INC,BJP,CPI(M) and regional political parties (Akali Dal, TDP, Kerala Congress)	
III	Dynamics of development in India		14
	8	The 1991 Crisis and Economic Reforms	
	9	The Human-Centered Model of Development: Amartya Sen's Contribution.	
	10	Viksit Bharat @2047-Zero Poverty, Skill and Employment, Farmer Welfare, Technology, Education and Healthcare.	



IV	Challenges to Indian Democracy		8
	11	Cross Border Terrorism	
	12	Maoist Insurgency	
	13	Corruption	
	14	Rising Inequality	
V	Conduct Discussion/Debate on Contemporary Issues		12
	15	The future of Indian secularism	
	16	Citizenship Amendment Act	
	17	Abrogation of Article 370	
	18	Pak Occupied Kashmir	

Essential Readings

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Course Outcomes

No.	Upon completion of the course the graduate will be able to	Cognitive Level	PSO addressed
CO-1	Demonstrate understanding of Indian federalism by recalling key features, roles of institutions, and dynamics of cooperative and competitive federalism.	U, An	PSO1



CO-2	Analyse the complexities of Indian party system, including the evolution from one-party dominance to coalition politics and assess the role of ECI.	U, An, E	PSO3
CO-3	Evaluate the 1991 crisis which triggered economic reforms in India, the application of Human-Centered Model of Development and Viksit Bharat @2047.	Ap, An,E	PSO3

CO-4	Evaluate the effectiveness of governmental responses to challenges like CBT, Maoist Threats, Corruption and rising inequality.	Ap. An, E, C	PSO7
CO-5	Debates on recent issues Citizenship Amendment Act and the abrogation of Article 370, POK and future of secularism in India.	Ap, C	PSO8

R-Remember, U-Understand, Ap-Apply, An-Analyse, E-Evaluate, C-Create

Note: 1 or 2 COs/module

Name of the Course: Dynamics of Indian Political System

Credits: 4:0:0 (Lecture: Tutorial: Practical)

CO No.	CO	PO/PSO	Cognitive Level	Knowledge Category	Lecture (L)/Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
CO1	Demonstrate understanding of Indian federalism by recalling key features, roles of institutions, and dynamics of cooperative and competitive federalism.	PO1 PSO1	U, An	F	L	-
CO2	Analyse the complexities of Indian party system, including the evolution from one-party dominance to coalition politics and assess the role of ECI.	PO2 PSO3	U, An, E	C	L	-



CO3	Evaluate the 1991 crisis which triggered economic reforms in India, the application of Human-Centered Model of Development and Viksit Bharat @2047.	PO4 PSO3	Ap, An,E	P	L	-
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CO4	Evaluate the effectiveness of governmental responses to challenges like CBT, Maoist Threats, Corruption and rising inequality.	PO3 PSO7	Ap. An, E, C	E	M	L	-
CO5	Evaluate recent debates like the Citizenship Amendment Act and the abrogation of Article 370, POK and future of secularism in India.	PO2 PSO8	Ap, C	C	M	L	-

F-Factual, C- Conceptual, P-Procedural, M-Metacognitive

Mapping of COs with PSOs and POs:

	PSO 1	PSO 2	PSO 3	PSO4	PS O7	PSO 8	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6
CO 1	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
CO 2	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
CO 3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
CO 4	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	-
CO 5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-

Correlation Levels:

Level	Correlation
-	Nil
1	Slightly / Low



2	Moderate / Medium
3	Substantial / High

Assessment Rubrics:

- Quiz / Assignment/ Quiz/ Discussion / Seminar
- Midterm Exam
- Programming Assignments
- Final Exam

Mapping of COs to Assessment Rubrics:

	Internal Exam	Assignment	Project Evaluation	End Semester Examinations
CO 1	✓			✓
CO 2	✓			✓
CO 3	✓			✓
CO 4		✓		✓
CO 5		✓		✓
CO 6			✓	

