

Course Code	Course Name	Credit
26PL004	INTRODUCTION TO MODERN INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT	4

Course Objectives

1. To understand the genesis and features of modern Indian political thought.
2. To examine major political philosophies shaping modern India.
3. To analyse the role of nationalism in the making of modern India.
4. To evaluate the influence of political thought on India's democratic discourse and practice.

Learning Outcome

After the completion of the course, the students will be able to

- Define and recall the core features and themes of modern Indian political thoughts
- Understand and explain the key themes like Nationalism, secularism and social justice that defined the Indian political context.
- Developed critical thinking regarding current political challenges and issues
- Analyse contemporary Indian issues—such as democracy, inequality, and social movements by adopting multiple, informed perspectives
- Apply and create their own ideas about various political and social issues

Unit I: Introduction Modern Indian Political Thought (12 hrs)

Genesis of modern Indian political thought; Salient features of the Modern Indian political thought

Unit II: Indian Renaissance (12 Hrs)

Raja Ram Mohan Roy: Social Reforms; Pandita Ramabai: Emancipation of Women

Unit III: Radical thoughts (12 Hrs)

M N Roy: Radical Humanism; J P Nayanar: Total Revolution

Unit IV: Religious or Cultural Nationalism (12 Hrs)

V.D. Savarkar: Ideas of cultural nationalism; Muhammad Iqbal: Ideas on religious or Muslim nationalism

Unit V: Thought on Secular Nationalism (12 Hrs)

Jawaharlal Nehru: Secular nationalism; B.R. Ambedkar: Constitutional democracy; Gandhi political thought

Essential Readings:

1. Modern Indian Political Thought: Text and Context First Edition Bidyut Chakrabarty, Rajendra Kumar Pandey. SAGE publications ISBN: 9788132102250, 8132102258.
2. Indian Political Thought, S. K. Sharma, Urmila Sharma, 2001. Publisher: Atlantic ISBN: 9788171566785, 8171566782
3. V. Mehta and T. Pantham (eds.), (2006) 'A Thematic Introduction to Political Ideas in Modern India: Thematic Explorations, History of Science, Philosophy and Culture in Indian civilization' Vol. 10, Part: 7, New Delhi: Sage Publications, pp. xxvii-ixi.
4. R. Chakravarty, (1986) 'Tagore, Politics and Beyond', in Th. Panthams and K. Deutsch (eds.), Political Thought in Modern India, New Delhi: Sage, pp. 177-191.
5. V. Savarkar, 'Hindutva is Different from Hinduism', available at <http://www.savarkar.org/en/hindutva-essentials-hindutva/hindutva-different-hinduism>
6. J. Sharma, (2003) Hindutva: Exploring the Idea of Hindu Nationalism, Delhi: Penguin, pp. 124-172.
7. Dh. Keer, (1966) Veer Savarkar, Bombay: Popular Prakashan, pp. 223-250.
8. Parel, (ed.), (2002) 'Introduction', in Gandhi, freedom and Self Rule, Delhi: Vistaar Publication.
9. Ambedkar, (1991) 'Constituent Assembly Debates', S. Hay (ed.), Sources of Indian Tradition, Vol. 2, Second Edition, New Delhi: Penguin, pp. 342-347.
10. V. Rodrigues, (2007) 'Good society, Rights, Democracy Socialism', in S. Thorat and Aryama (eds.), Ambedkar in Retrospect - Essays on Economics, Politics and Society, Jaipur: IIDS and Rawat Publications.
11. P. Chatterjee, (2005) 'Ambedkar and the Troubled times of Citizenship', in V. Mehta and Th.Pantham (eds.), Political ideas in modern India: Thematic Explorations, New Delhi: Sage, pp.73-92.
12. P. Ramabai, (2000) 'Woman's Place in Religion and Society', in M. Kosambi (ed.), Pandita Ramabai Through her Own Words: Selected Works, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.150-155.
13. M. Kosambi, (1988) 'Women's Emancipation and Equality: Pandita Ramabai's Contribution to Women's Cause', in Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 23(44), pp. 38-49.
14. U. Chakravarti, (2007) Pandita Ramabai - A Life and a Time, New Delhi: Critical Quest.

15. Genesis and salient features of modern Indian political thought
<https://egyankosh.ac.in/bitstream/123456789/89375/1/Unit-1.pdf>

COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Level (BTL) Mapping 26PL004		
Course Outcomes	On completing U.G. program in Political Science the students will be able to	BTL
CO1	Recall and understand the evolution and key themes and features under modern Indian political thought.	K1, K2
CO2	Apply the acquired ideas of eminent Indian thinkers to participate in healthy discussion on issues like inequality, nationalism and democracy.	K3
CO3	Compare and contrast positions of leading political thinkers in India on issues those are constitutive of modern Indian.	K4
CO4	Assess and evaluate the relevance of political thought of modern India in understanding contemporary politics.	K5
CO5	Formulate an independent argument on issues like social justice, democracy, and national integration, contributing to the building of modern India	K6

BTL K1 and K2 – Remembering and Understanding, K3- Applying, K4 – Analyse, K5- Evaluate and K6- Create

Relationship Matrix-26PL004													
Course Outcomes	Programme Outcomes (POs)						Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs)						Mean Score of COs
	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5	PSO6	
CO1	3	2	2	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	1.67
CO2	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	2.67
CO3	3	3	3	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2.17
CO4	3	3	3	2	3	1	3	2	3	2	3	2	2.5
CO5	2	3	3	2	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	2.67
												Total	2.34

Mean Score: 3- High, 2- Medium/Moderate, 1-Low