

Course Code	Course Name	Credit
26PL609	POLITICS OF NORTH EAST INDIA	4

Course Objectives

- To understand the historical processes of colonial annexation and administrative policies in Northeast India and their political consequences.
- To examine the evolution and construction of ethnic identities and their role in shaping socio-political dynamics in the region.
- To analyze the emergence and development of regionalism, autonomy movements, and insurgency in Northeast India.
- To evaluate the causes, nature, and impact of conflicts and insurgent movements on governance and society.
- To assess issues relating to human rights, state responses, security, and conflict management in the region.

Learning Outcome

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

- Understand and examine conceptual, historical and geographical scope of Northeast India.
- Evaluate colonial annexation and its impact on regional politics.
- Analyse the role of ethnicity, language and culture in shaping political identities.
- Assess the dynamics of regionalism, nationalism, and demands for autonomy within the framework of Indian federalism.
- Examine peace processes, civil society initiatives, and conflict resolution mechanisms in the region.
- Apply theoretical and analytical frameworks to interpret contemporary political developments in Northeast India.

Unit I: Introduction to Northeast India (11 hrs)

Concept of Northeast India; Geopolitical significance and importance

Unit II: Colonial Policy of Annexation and Administration (11 hrs)

Annexation of hill areas: Naga hills, Khasi hills, Garo hills; Expansion and consolidation of colonial rule:

Excluded and partially excluded areas: Inner line

Unit III: Identity and Ethnicity (13 hrs)

Ethnic conflicts and movement; Politics of identity, language and minority

Unit IV: Regionalism and Nationalism (13 hrs)

Demand for greater state autonomy, autonomous state, autonomous council; Separatist tendencies, insurgency, armed conflict and secessionist movement

Unit V: People and Rights (12 hrs)

AFSPA and its implications; Peace process and conflict resolution: People's consultative group for peace initiative, Naga Mothers Association

Suggested Readings

1. Amlendu Guha (1977), *Planters Raj to Swaraj: Freed struggle and Electoral Politics in Assam*, ICHR, New Delhi.
2. Myron Weiner (1988), *Sons of the Soil*, Princeton University Press.
3. Sanjib Baruah (1999), *India Against Itself*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi.
4.(2007), *Durable Disorder: Understanding the Politics of Northeast India*, Oxford University press, Delhi.
5. B. Dutta Roy (1996), *Reorganization of Northeast India since 1947*, Concept, New Delhi.
6. B. Dutta Roy (1997), *The emergence and Role of Middle class in Northeast India*, (Cosmo, New Delhi.
7. B. Pakem (1997), *Insurgency in Northeast India*, Omsons, New Delhi.
8. H.K. Barpuzari (1998), *Northeast India: Problem & Prospect*, Spectrum, Guwahati.
9. Bhawani Singh (1984), *Politics of Alienation in Assam*, Ajanta, New Delhi.
10. Girin Phukon (1986), *Politics of Regionalism in Northeast India*, Spectrum Publications, Delhi.
11. Girin Phukon (2003), *Ethnicisation of Politics in Northeast*, South Asian Publishers, New Delhi.

12.(2000), *Political Dynamics of Northeast India*, South Asian Publishers, New Delhi.
13.(2005), *Inter-Ethnic conflict in Northeast India*, South Asian Publishers, New Delhi.
14. Girin Phukon & N L Dutta (eds) (1997), *Politics of Identity and Nation Building in Northeast India*, South Asian Publishers, New Delhi.
15. Girin Phukon & A U Yasin (eds) (1998), *Working of Parliamentary Democracy and Electoral Politics in Northeast India*, Asian, New Delhi.
16. Subir Bhaumik (2009), *Troubled Periphery: Crisis of India's North-East*, New Delhi, Sage Publications.

COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Level (BTL) Mapping- 26PL609		
Course Outcomes	On completing P.G. program in Political Science, the students will be able to	BTL
CO1	Understand and explain the historical, geographical, and geopolitical foundations of politics in Northeast India.	K1, K2
CO2	Critically examine issues of ethnicity, identity, and cultural diversity, and their role in shaping political movements and conflicts.	K1, K2 K3
CO3	Analyze the impact of colonial policies of annexation and administration on the socio-political structures of the region and implications of AFSPA.	K1, K2 K4
CO4	Evaluate the dynamics of regionalism, nationalism, and demands for autonomy within the framework of Indian federalism.	K1, K2, K5
CO5	Create theoretical and analytical frameworks to interpret contemporary political developments in Northeast India.	K1, K2, K3, K6

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

Relationship Matrix- 26PL609														
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	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1.3	
CO2	3	2	2	3	2	1	3	2	2	3	2	1	2.1	
CO3	3	2	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	2.3	
CO4	3	2	2	3	3	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	2.5	
CO5	3	2	2	3	3	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	2.5	
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Mean Score: 3- High, 2- Medium/Moderate, 1-Low