

Course Code	Course Name	Credits
26PL901	INDIAN POLITY	04

Course Objectives

- To introduce students to the fundamental features and functioning of the Indian political system and its institutional framework.
- To develop an understanding of the significance, principles, and working of the Constitution of India in shaping democratic governance.
- To examine the structure, powers, and functions of the Indian Parliament and the Judiciary within the constitutional framework.
- To analyse the nature and dynamics of Centre–State relations and their role in Indian federalism.
- To understand the evolution, patterns, and changing trends of the Indian party system in the contemporary political environment.

Learning Outcomes

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

- Recall fundamental facts and list the major features and figures of the Indian constitution.
- Explain and describe the role, structure and process of Indian parliament.
- Analyse the recent development in constitutional amendment, court judgement, party politics to predict and apply in practical or hypothetical scenarios.
- Compare and contrast the components and structures of Indian constitution to understand their relationships.
- Critique and evaluate the effectiveness and implications of Indian parliamentary system on Indian democracy.
- Design and propose new ideas, proposal to address current challenges in the Indian political system.

Unit I: Introduction to Indian Constitution (10 hrs)

Significance of a constitution; Composition and working of Constituency Assembly; Sources and Features of Indian Constitution

Unit II: Indian Parliament: Structure and Functions (13 hrs)

Lok Sabha: Composition, Powers and Functions; Rajya Sabha: Composition, Powers and Functions; Comparison between two houses of Parliament

Unit III: Centre-State Relations (13 hrs)

Federal structure and its features; Legislative relations between Union and States; Administrative relations and coordination mechanisms; financial relations

Unit IV: Indian Judiciary: Organisation and Functions (12 hrs)

Supreme Court: Composition, jurisdiction and powers; High Courts: Organisation and functions of High Courts. Role of judiciary in protecting rights and constitutional governance

Unit V: Party System in India (12 hrs)

Nature and Types of political parties (National, Regional, Registered); Contemporary Trends; Coalition politics and regionalisation.

Essential Readings:

1. Brij Kishore Sharma, *Introduction to the Constitution of India*, Prentice Hall, New Delhi, 2005.
2. D.D. Basu, *An Introduction to the Constitution of India*, New Delhi, Prentice Hall, 2008.
3. Dr. B.L. Fadia, *Indian Government and Politics*, SahityaBhawan Publications, Agra, 2007.
4. G. Austin, *Working a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience*, Delhi, Oxford Uni. Press, 2000.
5. Hasan, Zoya (ed) (2004), *Parties and Party System in India*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi.
6. M. V. Pylee, *An Introduction to Constitution of India*, New Delhi, Vikas, 1998.
7. N .V. Normani, *Constitutional Question in India. The President, Parliament and the State*, Oxford University Press, 2000.
8. Neera Chandhoke & Praveen Priyadarshini (edited) *Contemporary India: Economy, Society, Politics*, Pearson 2009.
9. Subhash C. Kashyap, *Constitution of India: Review and Reassessment*, New Delhi, Universal Law Publishing Co. Pvt., 2010.

COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Level (BTL) Mapping – 26PL901		
Course Outcomes	On completing U.G. course program the students will be able to	BTL
CO1	Recall facts feature of Indian constitution and to demonstrate comprehension on the role, significance and process of structure and functions of Indian parliament.	K1, K2
CO2	Use the information in new situations to apply the recent development in Indian political process to analyse the impact and its implications for Indian polity.	K3
CO3	Draw a connection, differentiate and compare the components and structures of Indian polity to understand their relationships on the functioning and influence in the decision-making process and abuse of power.	K4
CO4	Justify a stand to assess the effectiveness and impact of Indian parliamentary system in representing the interest of diverse sections of society.	K5
CO5	Formulate new ideas, proposals or analyse the reforms and policy to address current challenges in the Indian political system and to strengthened Indian democracy.	K6

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

Relationship Matrix- 26PL901													
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	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	1.8
CO2	2	3	2	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	3	1	2.1
CO3	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	3	2	2.3
CO4	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	3	2	2.3
CO5	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	3	2	2.4
												Total	2.18

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