



ADIKAVI NANNAYA UNIVERSITY :: RAJAHMAHENDRAVARAM
B.A. Political Science Syllabus (w.e.f: 2020-21 A.Y)

B.A	Semester: IV	Credits: 4
Course: 4	INDIAN POLITICAL PROCESS	Hrs/Wk: 5

Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of the course the students will be able to :

- Know and understand the federal system of the country and some of the vital contemporary emerging issues.
- Evaluate the electoral system of the country and to identify the areas of electoral reforms.
- Know the constitutional base and functioning of local governments with special emphasis on 73rd & 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts.
- Understand the dynamics of Indian politics, challenges faced and gain a sensitive comprehension to the contributing factors.
- Apply the knowledge and critically comprehend the functioning of some of the regulatory and governance institutions.
- Propose theoretical outline alternate models.

UNIT I:

FEDERAL PROCESSES:

1. Features of Indian Federal System- Centre-State Relations-Legislative, Administrative and Financial.
2. Emerging Trends in Centre-State Relations-Restructuring Centre- State Relations- Recommendations of Sarkaria Commission, M.M.Punchi Commission.

UNIT II:

ELECTORAL PROCESSES:

1. The Election Commission of India, Powers and Functions.
2. Issues of Electoral Reforms, Voting Behaviour-Determinants and Problems of Defections.

UNIT III:

GROSSROOT DEMOCRACY-DECENTRALISATION:

1. Panchayat Raj system-Local and Urban Governments-Structure, Powers and Functions.
2. Democratic Decentralization-Rural Development and Poverty alleviation with reference to 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts, Challenges and Prospects.

UNIT IV:

SOCIAL DYNAMICS AND EMERGING CHALLENGES TO INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM:

1. Role of Caste, Religion, Language and Regionalism in India.
2. Politics of Reservation, Criminalization of Politics and Internal threats to Security.

UNIT V:

REGULATORY AND GOVERNANCE INSTITUTIONS:

1. NITI Ayog, Finance Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
2. Central Vigilance Commission, Central Information Commission, Lokpal and Lokayukta.