SYLLABUS FOR PG ENTRANCE TEST 2023

(Political Science)

► UNIT: I

- 1. Political Science: Nature and Scope
- 2. What is Politics?
 - a. Politics as Art of Government
 - b. Politics as Public Affair
 - c. Politics as Power
- 3. Approaches to the Study of Politics:
 - a. Philosophical Tradition
 - b. Empirical Tradition
 - c. Scientific/Behavioral Tradition
- 4. State: Evaluation and Elements; Difference between State, Civil Society and Nation,
- 5. Perspectives of State: Liberal, Marxist and Anarchist
- 6. Role of state: Minimal State and Social-Democratic State

> UNIT: II

- 1. Liberty: Evolution, Significance and Classification
- 2. Equality: Liberal, Libertarian and Socialist Perspective of Equality
- 3. Justice: Procedural, Distributive and Gender Justice
- 4. Democracy: Meaning and Forms-Procedural of Substantive
- 5. Rights: Meaning and Theories of Rights- Natural, Human and Political Rights
- 6. Power: Meaning and Conceptions:
 - a. Power as Authority
 - b. Power as Exploitation
 - c. Power and Patriarchy

► UNIT: III

Plato

- 1. Ideal State: Concept and Features
- 2. Theory of Justice
- 3. Idea of Philosopher King

Aristotle

- 1. Concept of Revolution
- 2. View of Slavery
- 3. Classification of Government\

► UNIT: IV

Machiavelli

- 1. Views on State Craft
- 2. Machiavelli's Secularism

Thomas Hobbes

- 1. State of Nature
- 2. Social Contract
- 3. Theory of Sovereignty

John Locke

- 1. Social Contract
- 2. Concept of Natural Rights
- 3. Concept of Conditional Government

UNIT: V

J.J Rousseau

- 1. Views on State of Nature
- 2. Concept of General will

Jeremy Bentham

1. Bentham as Utilitarian

John Stuart Will

- 1. Concept of Liberty
- 2. Representative Government

Karl Marx

- 1. Concept of Class and State
- 2. Concept of Historical Materialism

Unit: VI

- 1. The nature, scope and methods of comparative political analysis
- 2. Comparing Regimes: Authoritarian and Democratic
- 3. Classification of political systems:
 - a) Parliamentary and Presidential: UK and USA
 - b) Federal and Unitary: Canada and China

UNIT: VII

- 1. Electoral System First Past the Proportional Representation Mixed Systems
- 2. Party system One-Party Two-Party and Multi Party system
- 3. Contemporary Debates on the Nature of State:
 - a. From state Centric Security to Human Centric Security
 - b. changing nature of nation: state in the context of globalization

UNIT: VIII

- 1. Approaches to International Relations:
- a. classical realism (Hans Morganthau) and Neo-Realism (Kenneth Waltz)
- b. Neo-liberalism complex interdependence Robert O, Keohane and Joseph nye
- c. Structure approach| World Systems Theory (Imanual Wallerstein) and Dependency Theory of A G Frank.
- 2. Second world war and origins of cold war
- 3. Phases of cold war
- 4. Collapse of Soviet Union

UNIT: IX

- 1. Post cold war era emerging centers of power
- a. European Union
- b. China
- c. Japan
- 2. India's foreign policy
 - a. Basic determinants
 - b. India and non alignment
 - c. India as an emerging power

UNIT: X

- 1. State and sovereignty
 - a. Kautalya (state)
 - b. Tilak and Gandhi (Sawaraj)
- 2. Social Justice
 - a. B.R ambedkar
 - b. R.M Lohia

UNIT XI

- 1. Democracy
 - a. J.L Nehru
 - b. J.P Narayan Nationalism
 - a. Cultural Nationalism (Savarkar, Jinnah)
 - b. Composite Nationalism (Azad)
 - c. Secular Nationalism (J.L Nehru)

UNIT XII

- 1. Public Administration as a Discipline: Meaning and Scope
- 2. Public and Private Administration
- 3. Comparative Approach to Public Administration
- 4. Administrative Theories: The Classical Theory

- 5. Scientific Management and the Human Relation Theory
- 6. Rational Decision Making

UNIT XIII

- 1. Understanding Public Policy: Concept and Theories
- 2. Relevance of Policy making in Public Administration
- 3. Processes of Policy Formulation and Implementation and Evaluation
- 4. Development Administration and New Public Management
- 5. Elements and Politics of Development Administration
- New Public Management Paradigm- A Critical Prospective in the Post Globalized d Era

UNIT XIV

- 1. Structure and Process of Governance
- a. Indian Modal of Democracy, Parliament, Party Politics and Electoral behavior
- b. Federalism, The Supreme court and Judicial Activism
- c. Units of Local Governance (Grassroots Democracy) Political Communication-Nature, Forms and Importance
- 2. Ideas, Entrusts and Institutions in Public Policy
- a. Contextual Orientation of Policy Design
- b. Institution of Policy
- c. Role of NGO's

UNIT XV

- 1. Regulatory institutions
 - a. SEBI: Powers, Functions and Role
 - b. TRAI: Powers Functions and Role
 - c. Competition Commission of India: Importance and Role Lobbying Institution
 - d. Chambers of Commerce and Industries, Trade Unions, Formers Associations etc.
 - e. Policy Debates Over Models and Development in India
 - f. Trends of Liberalization of Indian Economy in Deferent Sectors,
 - g. E-Governance