

**PhD Entrance Test****A.Y-2026-27****Subject: political Science Syllabus**

Unit	Topics
Unit I- Political Theory and Thought	☐ Nature and Scope of Political Science ☐ Different theories to the study of Political Science ☐ State, Nation, Sovereignty, Liberty, Equality, Justice ☐ Rights and Duties ☐ Democracy, Political Obligation, Citizenship ☐ Power, Authority and Legitimacy ☐ Political Ideologies - Liberalism, Socialism, Marxism, Feminism, Nationalism, Gandhism, and Environmentalism ☐ Indian Political Thought ☐ Western Political Thought
Unit II-Indian Government and Politics	☐ Indian Constitution, Constitutional Developments ☐ Federalism ☐ Parliamentary Democracy ☐ Decentralization ☐ Political Parties and Ideology ☐ Coalition Politics, and Electoral Reforms ☐ Judicial Activism ☐ Caste, Class and Gender Politics ☐ Social Justice



	☐ Inclusive Development
Unit III- International Relations and Foreign Policy	☐ Changing World Order ☐ Emerging Powers ☐ International Security ☐ India and Global Governance ☐ International Organizations and Regional Organisations ☐ Issues in International Politics - War and Peace, Terrorism, Human Rights, Gender, Environmentalism, and Identity Politics ☐ Indian Foreign Policy, issues and challenges
Unit IV- Public Administration and Indian Administration	☐ Administrative Reforms ☐ Good Governance ☐ Civil Service Reforms ☐ Digital Governance ☐ Accountability Mechanisms ☐ Local Self Government - structure and functions ☐ Indian Administration – structure and functions
Unit V- Comparative Government and Politics	☐ Comparative Political Systems ☐ Political Development ☐ Governance Models ☐ Democratic Transition ☐ Public Policy Analysis



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