

(Abstract)

New Generation Programme-M.A. Governance and Politics(CBSS) w.e.f 2020 – modified Syllabus of the course 'GAP3C09 Themes in Modern Political Thought in India' in lieu of the existing Course 'GAP3C09 Themes in Indian Political Thought' - implemented-Orders issued.

ACADEMIC C SECTION

Acad/C1/1601/2021

Dated: 13.10.2021

- Read:-1.U.O.No.Acad/C1/1601/2021 dated 30.01.2021and 17.08.2021
2.U.O.No.Acad/C1/1601/2021 dated 16.09.2021
3.Report submitted by the Expert Committee constituted to study the syllabus of the Course 'GAP3C09 -Themes in Indian Political Thought'
4. Letter No. Acad/C1/1601/2021 dated 18.09.2021
5. Minutes of the BoS in Political Science (Cd) held on 18.09.2021,24.09.2021,25.09.2021
6.Note to the Academic Council No. Acad/C1/1601/2021 dated 28.09.2021
7.Minutes of the special meeting of XXI Academic Council held on 29.09.2021

ORDER

1. As per paper read(1) above, the Scheme, Syllabus and Model question papers of the 1st & 2nd Semesters and the Syllabus and Model Question Papers of the 3rd Semester of the M.A. Governance and Politics programme, offered at Govt. Brennen College, Thalassery, prepared by the Expert Committee, were implemented with effect from 2020 admission.
2. Meanwhile, considering the controversies arose regarding the inclusion of certain Books of M S Golwalkar and V D Savarkar in the course 'GAP3C09 Themes in Indian Political Thought – Unit- II Rashtra or Nation in Indian Political Thought of the 3rd Semester M. A. Governance and Politics programme, a two Member Expert Committee was constituted as per paper read(2), to study the Syllabus and to suggest corrective measures, if any.
3. The Expert Committee submitted its Report as per paper read (3), which was transmitted to the Board of Studies in Political Science (Cd) as per paper read (4), to make changes and to draft the revised Syllabus of 3rd Semester M.A. Governance and Politics Programme, in accordance with the recommendations of External Expert Committee.
4. Subsequently, the Meeting of the Board of Studies in Political Science (Cd) held on 18.09.2021, 24.09.2021 and 25.09.2021 as per the paper read (5) above, finalised the Syllabus of the course 'GAP3C09 Themes in Modern Political Thought in India' in lieu of the existing Course 'GAP3C09 Themes in Indian Political Thought' for the third Semester M A Governance and Politics programme.
5. Further, the aforesaid Minutes of the Board of Studies and the changes made in the course

'GAP3C09 Themes in Modern Political Thought in India' of the M.A. Governance and Politics programme, [as submitted by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Political Science (Cd)] were placed before the Special meeting (XXI meeting) of the Academic Council, held on 29.09.2021, as per paper read (6)above.

6. Vide paper read (7), the meeting of the Academic Council, approved the Minutes of the Board of Studies in Political Science (Cd), along with the modified Syllabus.
7. Therefore, the following orders are issued in this matter, as approved by the Vice Chancellor.
8. (i) *The Course 'GAP3C09 Themes in Indian Political Thought' of the third Semester M.A. Governance and Politics programme is changed as 'GAP3C09 Themes in Modern Political Thought in India' and its content is modified.*
9. (ii) *The modified Syllabus of the course 'GAP3C09 Themes in Modern Political Thought in India' of the third Semester M.A. Governance and Politics Programme is implemented w.e.f 2020.*
10. The U.O read (1) above, stands modified to this extent.
11. The modified pages of the Syllabus concerned are uploaded on the University website (www.kannuruniversity.ac.in).

Orders are issued accordingly.

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Semester III-Scheme

Semester III	Core Courses					
	Course Code	Title	Internal	External	Total	Credit
	GAP3C09	Themes in Modern Political Thought in India	20	80	100	4
	GAP3C10	Public Institutions and Governance	20	80	100	4
	GAP3C11	Debates in Indian Politics	20	80	100	4
	GAP3C12	Research Methodology in Political Science	20	80	100	4
Elective Courses						
GAP3E05	Environment and Politics	20	80	100	4	
GAP3E06	Media and Governance	20	80	100	4	
Total		100	400	500	20	



GAP 3 C09 - Themes in Modern Political Thought in India

Course Objective: The course introduces different political thinkers and ideologues of modern India and their views and analysis vis-à-vis specific themes which have been constantly a part of political contestations, policy-making, and administrative decisions. Unit 1 presents the historical background of modern political thought in India and surveys theoretical and methodological issues in understanding Indian political thought. The remaining units discuss the reflections of the spokespersons of different thoughts and ideologies around four significant themes – nation and nationalism, secularism and communalism, caste question, and state and development. Every political idea suggested in this course emerges from historical circumstances replete with many forms of social divisions and unequal relations of power. Therefore, their conflicting intellectual perspectives and thought processes necessitate a thorough understanding of the socio-cultural and economic structures of politics of the time. The thinkers indicated against each theme espouse different ideologies, showing the political field's vast diversity and multiple frictions and fractions. Thus, comparative learning about these thoughts would help students understand the political schisms around specific political themes and develop an academic critique.

Unit 1

Modern Political Thought in India: An Introduction

- A. The Historical Background: Colonialism, Renaissance and the National Movement
- B. Approaches to the study of Indian political thought: Key Debates
 - Inclusiveness
 - Authenticity
 - Intellectual history tradition vs. social history tradition
 - Capacity for theory building and explanation
 - The role of political thoughts in protests, power struggles, and social transformation

Reading list:

- Bipan Chandra (1994): *Ideology and Politics in Modern India*, New Delhi: Har-Anand Publications.
- KN Panikkar (1995): *Culture, Ideology, Hegemony: Intellectuals and Social Consciousness in Colonial India*, London: Anthem Press.
- Pradip Kumar Datta and Sanjay Palshikar (2013): "Introduction – Reframing Indian Political Thought" in Pradip Kumar Datta and Sanjay Palshikar eds. *ICSSR Research Surveys and Explorations Political Science Volume 3: Indian Political Thought*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- Thomas Pantham (1986): "Introduction" in Kenneth Deutsch and Thomas Pantham eds. *Political Thought in Modern India*, London: Sage.
- Mahendra Prasad Singh (2011): "Introduction" in Mahendra Prasad Singh and R. Roy eds. *Indian Political Thought: Themes and Thinkers*, New Delhi: Pearson.
- Aakash Singh and Silika Mohapatra (2010): "Introduction – What is Indian Political Thought" in Aakash Singh and Silika Mohapatra eds. *Indian Political Thought: A Reader*, New Delhi: Routledge.
- Bhikhu Parekh (2010): "The Poverty of Indian Political Theory" in Aakash Singh and Silika Mohapatra eds. *Indian Political Thought: A Reader*, New Delhi: Routledge.
- S. P. Aiyer (1972): "Some Aspects of the Study of Modern Indian Political Thought," *The Indian Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 33, No. 4.

- Sanjukta Banerji Bhattacharya (2021): “Introduction” in Suratha Kumar Malik and Ankit Tomar eds. *Revisiting Modern Indian Thought: Themes and Perspectives*, New Delhi: Routledge.
- B. Surendra Rao (2001): “The 'Modern' in Modern Indian History,” *Social Scientist*, Vol. 29, No. 5-6.
- Javeed Alam (1999): “Chapter 7 - Tradition under Stress” in *India Living with Modernity*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- Partha Chatterjee (1993): *Nation and its Fragments: Colonial and Postcolonial Histories*, Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Unit 2

Nation and Nationalism in Modern Political Thought: A Critique

- A. Liberal, secular, cosmopolitan, and inclusive nationalism (MK Gandhi, Rabindranath Tagore, Jawaharlal Nehru, BR Ambedkar)
- B. “Hindutva” and “Hindu Rashtra” (VD Savarkar and MS Golwalkar)
- C. Muslims and nationalism: Two Opposite Visions (Maulana Azad and Muhammad Ali Jinnah)
- D. Dravidian nationalism (Periyar)
- E. Socialist perspectives on nationalism (Rammanohar Lohia and EMS Namboodiripad)

Reading list:

- Irfan Habib (2017): “Introduction” in *Indian Nationalism: The Essential Writings*, New Delhi: Aleph.
- Rabindranath Tagore (2015): *Nationalism*, New Delhi: Fingerprint Publishing.
- K. L. Tuteja and Kaustav Chakraborty (2017): “Introduction” in K. L. and Tuteja Kaustav Chakraborty eds. *Tagore and Nationalism*, New Delhi: Springer India Pvt. Ltd.
- M K Gandhi: *Hind Swaraj or Indian Home Rule* in Anthony J. Parel ed. (2009): *MK Gandhi Hind Swaraj and Other Writings*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Bhikhu Parekh (1997): *Gandhi: A Very Short Introduction*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- Jawaharlal Nehru (2008): “Chapter 3: The Quest” in *The Discovery of India*, New Delhi: Penguin.
- Bhikhu Parekh (1991): “Nehru and the National Philosophy of India,” *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 26, No. 1.
- Thomas Pantham (1995): “Gandhi, Nehru and Modernity” in Upendra Baxi and Bhikhu Parekh eds., *Crisis and Change in Contemporary India*, New Delhi: Sage.
- S. M. Gaikwad (1998): “Ambedkar and Indian Nationalism,” *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 33, No. 10.
- Akeel Bilgrmi (1985): “Jinnah,” *Grand Street*, Vol. 4, No. 3.
- Ian Henderson Douglas, Minault and Christian W. Troll (1988): *Abul Kalam Azad: An Intellectual Biography*, New Delhi: OUP
- Abul Kalam Azad (2007): *India Wins Freedom*, New Delhi: Orient Longman.
- Christophe Jeffrelot (2007): “Vinayak Damodar Savarkar– Extracts from ‘Hindutva: Who is a Hindu,’” in *Hindu Nationalism: A Reader*, Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Jyotirmaya Sharma (2015): “Vinayak Damodar Savarkar” in *Hindutva: Exploring the Idea of Hindu Nationalism*, Noida: Harper Collins Publishers.
- Christophe Jeffrelot (2007): “MS Golwalkar – ‘Extracts from we or our nationhood defined’ and ‘Bunch of Thoughts’” in *Hindu Nationalism: A Reader*, Princeton: Princeton University Press.

- Jyotirmaya Sharma (2007): *Terrifying Vision: MS Golwalkar, the RSS and India*, New Delhi: Penguin Viking.
- K. N. Panikar (1993): "Culture and Communalism." *Social Scientist*, Vol. 21, No. 3-4.
- M. S. S. Pandian (1993): "Denationalizing the Past: "Nation" in EV Ramaswamy's Political Discourse," *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 28, No. 42.
- Yogendra Yadav (2010): "What Is Living and What Is Dead in Rammanohar Lohia?" *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 45, No. 40.
- E. M. S. Namboodiripad (1975): "Class Character of the Nationalist Movement," *Social Scientist*, Vol. 4, No. 1.

Unit 3

Secularism, Communalism and the Critics

- A. Gandhian secularism
- B. Nehruvian secularism

Reading list:

- Bipan Chandra (2004): "Gandhiji, Secularism and Communalism," *Social Scientist*, Vol. 32, No. 1-2.
- Jawaharlal Nehru (2008): "Chapter 3: The Quest" in *The Discovery of India*, New Delhi: Penguin.
- Neera Chandhoke (2009): "Why is Secularism important for India?" in Neera Chandhoke and Praveen Priyadarshi eds., *Contemporary India: Economy, Society, Politics*, New Delhi: Pearson.
- Rajeev Bhargava (2017): "Nehru against Nehruvians: On Religion and Secularism," *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 52, No. 8.
- Thomas Pantham (2006): "Religious Diversity and National Unity: The Gandhian and Hindutva Visions" in V. R. Mehta and Thomas Pantham eds., *Political Ideas in Modern India: Thematic Explorations*, New Delhi: Sage.
- Bipan Chandra (2008): *Communalism in Modern India*, New Delhi: Har-Anand Publications.

Unit 4

Critical Perspectives on Caste Question

- A. Against untouchability: MK Gandhi
- B. Annihilation of caste: BR Ambedkar
- C. Confronting caste problematique: Sree Narayana Guru
- D. Caste and class: Rammanohar Lohia and BT Ranadive

Reading list:

- Dr. B. R. Ambedkar: "Castes in India: Their Mechanism, Genesis and Development" and "Annihilation of Caste with a Reply to Mahatma Gandhi" in *Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar: Writings and Speeches*, Vol. 1, Bombay: Government of Maharashtra. 1979.
- "The Ambedkar-Gandhi Debate" in *Annihilation of Caste: The Annotated Critical Edition BR Ambedkar*, New Delhi: Navayana Publishing (2014).
- B. T. Ranadive (1979): "Caste, Class and Property Relations," *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 14, No. 7-8.
- E.M.S. Namboodiripad (1981): "Once Again on Castes and Classes," *Social Scientist*, Vol. 9, No. 12.

- P. Chandramohan (2016): *Developmental Modernity in Kerala: Narayana Guru, S.N.D.P Yogam and Social Reform*, New Delhi: Tulika Books.
- K. P. Appan (2005): *Charithraththe Agadhamaakiya Guru* (Malayalam), Kottayam: DC Books.
- C.V. Kunjuraman (2002): “Oru Samvadam” in KN Shaji ed. *Narayana Guru: Jeevitham, Krithikal*, Darshanam, Thrissur: Current Books (Malayalam)
- Rammanohar Lohia (1979): *The Caste System*, Rammanohar Lohia Samta Vidyalaya Nyas, Hyderabad.
- Sujay Biswas (2018): “Gandhi’s Approach to Caste and Untouchability: A Reappraisal,” *Social Scientist*, Vol. 46, No. 9-10.
- Bhikhu Parekh (1999): “Chapter 7 - Discourse on untouchability” in *Colonialism, Tradition and Reform: An Analysis of Gandhi’s Political Discourse*, New Delhi: Sage.

Unit 5

State and Development

- A. MK Gandhi: “Grama Swaraj”
- B. Jawaharlal Nehru: Centralised state, mixed economy and planning
- C. MN Roy: The “People’s Plan”

Reading list

- J. P. Naik (1983): “Development and Gandhian Tradition in India,” *The Review of Politics*, Vol. 45, No. 3.
- Bidyut Chakrabarty (1992): “Jawaharlal Nehru and Planning, 1938-41: India at the Crossroads,” *Modern Asian Studies*, Vol. 26, No. 2.
- Prabhat Patnaik (2015): “The Nehru–Mahalanobis Strategy,” *Social Scientist*, Vol. 43, No. 3-4.
- S. Naqvi (1973): “Class Character of State Power in India,” *Social Scientist*, Vol. 2, No. 1.
- M.N. Roy (2004): “A New Approach to Political and Economic Problems” in *MN Roy Selected Writings*, New York: Prometheus Books.
- P.K. Michael Tharakan (2012): “Gandhian and Marxist Approaches to Decentralised Governance in India: Points of Similarity,” *Social Scientist*, Vol. 40, No. 9-10.