

P.G. DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE  
BERHAMPUR UNIVERSITY, BERHAMPUR-760007

Syllabus for URET Examination, 2017

**Part-1: Research Methodology-100 Marks**

**Unit-I**

Introduction to Research Reference of Social Science Research, Objectivity in Social Science Research, Research Process, Ethical Issues in Research.

The Nature of Scientific Method and its use to Social Science Research.

**Unit-II**

Formulating Research Problem: Research Design: Meaning, Components and Planning Research.

Hypothesis: Meaning, Formulation and Functions of Hypothesis.

**Unit-III**

Survey Methods: Meaning, Types, Steps and Limitations, Observations, Questionnaire and Interviewing, sampling: Meaning, Types and Selection of Sample.

**Unit-IV**

Data Analysis: Content Analysis, Report writing.

Basic statistical Concepts: Use and Limitations, Frequency and Percentage, Meaning of Central Tendency, Standard Deviation Correlation and Chi-Square test,

Qualitative and Quantative Data Analysis

**Paper-II- Subject Specific-100 Marks**

**(Papers from all semesters-Part-I & Part-II)**

**PSC-101: Western Political Thinkers: Ancient and Medieval**

Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Montesquieu, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau,

**PSC 102 Modern Political Analysis**

Political Analysis: Meaning, Scope and Significance. Approaches: Traditional, Behaviouralism, Post-Behaviouralism, Liberal and Marxist. David Easton's System Analysis. Gabriel Almond's Structural – Functional Analysis: Its Applications, Criticisms. Communication Theory – Karl W. Deutsch, Decision Making Theory, Group Theory. Theory of Political Development – Lucian Pye and Sydney Verba, Modernisation – Samuel P. Huntington.

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### **PSC-103: PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: CONCEPTS AND ISSUES**

Meaning, Nature, Scope and Significance of Public Administration, Approaches to the Study of Public Administration, New Public Administration, Theories of Organization: Scientific Management Theory: Frederick Winslow Taylor, Human Relations: Elton Mayo, Ecological: Fred Riggs, System Approaches: open/closed systems. Leadership: Types and Styles of Leadership. Theories of Motivations: Maslow, McGregor, Herzberg's. Personnel Administration: Recruitment, Training. Major Issues in Administration: Public Policy, Relationship between Permanent Executive and Political Executive, Employee-employer relationships.

### **PSC-104: INTERNATIONAL POLITICS: THEORIES AND CONCEPTS**

Contending Theories and Approaches to the Study of International Relations: Idealism, Realism, Neo Realism, Kaplan's System Theory, Decision Making Theory, National Interests versus Morality, Morgenthau's Theory of Political Reality and his Critiques, Game Theory, Diplomacy: Old and New Diplomacy, Personal and Institutional Diplomacy, Bilateral and Multilateral Diplomacy, New Trends Diplomacy, The Nuclear Age and its impact on International Relations, NPT, CTBT, International Political Economy: Dependency Theory, New International Economic Order, North South Dialogue, South-South Cooperation.

### **PSC-105: FEDERALISM IN INDIA**

Theoretical and Constitutional Framework: Federal in form Unitary in Spirit, Genesis and Reorganization of States, Constitutional status of States in Indian Political System, Politics of secession, autonomy and accommodation, Areas of Conflict in Centre- State relations: Constitutional Features, Administrative, Financial and Legislative Relations, New institutional mechanisms for Cooperative Federalism, National Development Council Financial Commission, Niti Ayog, Challenges to Indian Federalism, Recommendation of Sarkaria Commission

### **PSC-201: Modern Western Political Thinkers**

J. Bentham: Jurisprudence, Principles of Morals and Legislation, Utilitarianism, J.S. Mill: Liberty, Revision of Utilitarianism; Hegel; Dialectical Idealism and State; Karl Marx: Dialectical Materialism, Surplus Value, Class Struggle, Revolution; T.H. Green: Radical Individualism John Rawls: Liberty, Justice and State.; Mao: Concept of Continuous Revolution: New Democracy; Gramsci: Power and Hegemony

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**PSC-202: Comparative Politics**

Comparative Politics: Nature and Scope. Major Approaches to the Comparative Politics: Traditional, Structural- Functional, Systems, Marxist, Constitutionalism: Development of the Concept, types of Constitutional systems, Functions and Capacity of Constitution. Political Change and Nation Building. Relations between Centre and Units: Impact of Political, Cultural, Economic and Legislature Factors. Politics of Representation and Participation, Political Parties. Public Policy: Nature of the Policy – Making Process, Legislature and Judiciary.

**PSC-203: NEW SOCIAL AND POLITICAL MOVEMENTS IN INDIA**

Social and Political Movements in India: Background, History and Debate, Political Movements: Theories and Ideologies. Regional Movements in India: Jharkhand and Gorkha land Movement in West Bengal, Peasant's Movement: Genesis and Growth, Women's Movement: Gender Justice and Empowerment, Tribal Movements: Issues and Dynamics, Environmental Movements: Chipko Movement, Silent Valley Movement & Narmada Bachao Movement

**PSC-204: ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

Functionalism and Neo-Functionalism, International Regime Analysis, Cold War, End of Cold War, Uni-polarity, American Hegemony, Post Cold War World Order, Non-alignment: Evolution and Trends, Democratic Peace Theory, United Nations: Changing Role and its Reform, Contemporary Global Concerns, Environmental Issue, Human Right, International Terrorism, Humanitarian Interaction

**PSC-205 INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS**

Evolution of the Indian Constitution: Indian Nationalism, National Movements and Constitution Development; Basic Structure of the Constitution: Constituent Assembly, Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy, Amendment procedure. Governmental structure and Process in Centre: Executive: President and Prime Minister, Legislature: Parliament of India, Judiciary: Supreme Court, Judicial Review and Judicial Activism; Governmental structure and Process in states: Executive: Governor and Chief Minister, Legislature: Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad, Judiciary: High Court and subordinate Courts

**PSC-301 Modern Indian Political Thinkers**

Manu, Kautilya, Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Swami Vivekananda, Aurobindo Ghosh, Mahatma Gandhi, B.R. Ambedkar, Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Jawaharlal Nehru, M.N. Roy, Jay Prakash Narayan

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**PSC-302 INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY**

Evolution of India's Foreign Policy, Determinants, Making, Continuity and Change. India and Major Powers: US, China and Russia; India and Neighbours: Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka. India's Nuclear Policy. India's Economic Diplomacy

**PSC 303 (A) DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION IN INDIA**

Introduction to Development Administration: a) Development Administration: Concept and Meaning b) Elements of Development Administration: c) Role of Development Administration in India since Independence. Development Administration and the Political Process: a.) Social, Political and cultural elements in the Development Process. b) The Machinery of Development. Bureaucracy and Development Administration: a.) The Changing Role of Bureaucracy. b.) The Specialist and Generalist Dichotomy in Democracy. New trends in people's Self Development and Empowerment: a.) Patterns of Peoples Participation in Development. b) Constitutional Provisions and Empowerment- Special Reference to 73rd and 74th amendment.

**PSC-305: SOCIO-ECONOMIC FOUNDATION OF INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM**

Political Legacies and Indian Nationalism: Colonialism, Nationalist Movement - its Nature, foundational Structure and Social Background. Dimensions of the Strategy of Development: Planning, Mixed Economy, Globalisation, Liberalisation, Privatisation. Political Economy: Land Reform, Green Revolution and its Impact: Problems of National Integration: Caste, Class, Gender, Ethnicity.

**PSC-401: POLITICAL THEORY**

Political Theory: Nature, function, Significance, decline and resurgence. People-State Interface: Political Obligation, Resistance. Key Concepts: Liberty, Justice, Rights. Contemporary Perspectives: Liberalism, Marxism, Feminism, Neo Liberalism, Neo-Marxism. Decline of Communism and Emerging World Order: A Debate.

**PSC 402 Political Sociology**

Political Sociology: Definition and scope, origin and development. Approaches to the study of Political Sociology. Political Culture, Political Socialisation, Political Participation, Political Communication, Leadership and Circulation of Elites, Power, Authority and Legitimacy, Social Stratification and its bases, Political Development and Modernization.


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**PSC-403 (A): INDIA AND REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS**

Regionalism and Regional Organisations: Understanding the conceptual and theoretical aspects of Process of Regionalism. Regional Organisations: Growth and Classification. Significance of Regional Organisations in India's Foreign Policy. India and SAARC. SAARC: Genesis and growth, Issues and Concerns, Summit Diplomacy. India's Role in SAARC. India and ASEAN Background and Civilizational Ties; Look East Policy of India. India's Priorities: Security, Energy and Trade. India and BRICS: Understanding BRICS: Origins, Agenda and Influence. India – BRICS Engagement. New Development Bank and Impact of BRICS on India's overall Strategic interests

**PSC-403 (B): GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS IN ODISHA**

Political Culture of Odisha. Sub-regionalism & Regional Disparity: Issue of Backwardness of the state, Regional Backwardness and Development. Political Economy of Odisha- Economic structure, agrarian policy: Industrial induced displacement. Election and Voting Behaviour: Elections in Odisha. Regional Political Parties-Ganatantra Parishad, Jana Congress, Utkal Congress and Biju Janata Dal. Coalitional Politics in Odisha . Problem of factionalism and Defection . Women Politics: Political Participation of Women. Politics of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

  
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