

SYLLABUS 2025-2026

Class : XI

Subject: Political Science

Book : ISC Political Science for Class 11 by K. K. Ghai

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Term 1

Contemporary International Relations

1. Disintegration of the Soviet Union

Causes of Disintegration of the Soviet Union

- Political and economic stagnation
- Reforms of Mikhail Gorbachev and Rise of nationalism. Impact of Disintegration of the Soviet Union:
- End of cold war
- Emergence of new states (in brief).

2. Unipolar World

- U.S. Unilateralism: Meaning of Unilateralism.
- Iraq-Operation Desert Storm: only causes and main events
- Iraq-Operation Iraqi Freedom :only causes and main events
- Afghanistan Operation Enduring Freedom only causes and main events
- India- USA relations post 1991:
- Only Defence and Trade Relations

3. Regional Cooperation

- ASEAN: only Aims and economic achievements
- European Union: only Aims and economic achievements
- SAARC: only Aims and economic achievements
- BRICS: only Aims and economic achievements
- QUAD: only Aims and economic achievements

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4. South Asia

India's relationship with its neighbours.

- India's relations with Pakistan
- 1965 war and Tashkent Agreement
- 1971 war and Shimla Agreement
- Lahore Declaration and Kargil war;
 India's Relationship with Bangladesh:
- Water dispute
- Teen Bhiga corridor
- Illegal migration India's relations with China:
- Panchsheel Agreement
- Sino-Indian war of 1962

Term 2:

1. Introduction to Political Science and State

- Meaning of Political Science (classical and modern); Scope of contemporary Political Science with reference to:
- only the meaning of Political Theory,
- only the meaning of Comparative Politics,
- only the meaning of International Relations,
- only the meaning of Public Administration and
- only the meaning of Political Economy;
- Difference between Politics and Political science;
- Meaning of State and elements of State:
- (a) Population
- (b) Territory
- (c) Government
- (d) Sovereignty;
- Difference between State and Nation.

2. The Origin of the State

- Only features of Divine Origin Theory;
- Only features of the Social Contract Theory SCT (Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau).
- Brief Features of Hobbes SCT
- Brief Features of Locke SCT

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• Brief Features of Rousseau SCT

3. Political Ideologies

- Meaning of Liberalism
 Features of Liberalism
- · Recognition of importance of individuals,
- Support for human rights and freedom,
- Constitutional and liberal government,
- Support for democracy.
- Communism: meaning
- Features of Communism
- Dialectical materialism
- Class struggle
- Dictatorship of Proletariat
- Stateless and Classless society.

Term 3:

1. Sovereignty

- Meaning of Sovereignty
- Definition of Sovereignty
- Characteristics of Sovereignty Kinds of Sovereignty
- Titular and Real
- Legal and Political
- de-jure and de-facto Sovereign
- Popular Sovereignty.

Theories:

- Only features of Austin's Theory
- Only features of Pluralistic Theory

2. Law

Meaning; Sources and Kinds of Law.

- Meaning of law
 - Sources of law Customs
- Usages
- Religion
- Judicial Decisions
- Scientific Commentaries

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- Equity Legislation.
 - Kinds of law -
- meaning and examples of Municipal law
- meaning and examples of National Law
- meaning and examples of Constitutional Law
- meaning and examples of International Law
- meaning and examples of Statute Law
- Meaning and examples of Ordinances.

Term 4

1. Liberty

- Meaning of Liberty
- Dimensions of Liberty: negative and positive Kinds of Liberty
- Civil Liberty
- Political Liberty
- Economic Liberty

2. Equality

- Meaning of Equality
 Kinds of Equality –
- Legal Equality
- Social Equality
- Political Equality
- Economic Equality

3. Justice

- Meaning of Justice
- Only Features of John Rawls Theory
- Only Features of Amartya Sen Theory

(PROJECT WORK)-20 MARKS

Candidates will be required to undertake one project which may be any one of the following: (i) A case study. (ii) Survey study with a questionnaire. (iii)Research based project with in depth analysis. (iv) Any contemporary or relevant Social/Local/ national/ global political issue. (v) Book review/ film review/ documentaries/ posters/ newspapers/ advertisements/ cartoons and art.

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