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F. Y. B. A. Political Science
(CBCS pattern to be implemented from 2019-2020)
G-1 General Paper
INTRODUCTION TO INDIAN CONSTITUTION
Total Credits : 03

Objectives

The contents of this course are designed with the following objectives:

1. To acquaint students with the important features of the Constitution of India and with the basic framework of Indian government.
2. To familiarize students with the working of the Constitution of India.

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Unit 1: Making of the Indian Constitution	12
a) Historical Background	
b) Constituent Assembly	
c) Preamble	
d) Salient Features	
Unit 2: Fundamental Rights, Duties and Directive Principles	12
a) Fundamental Rights	
b) Fundamental Duties	
c) Directive Principles of State Policy	
Unit 3: Federalism	12
a) Salient Features of Indian Federalism	
b) Centre –State Relations	
c) Issues of Conflict (Water and Border Issues)	
Unit 4: Constitutional Amendments: Scope and Limitations	12
a) Constitutional Provisions	
b) Major Constitutional Amendments (42, 44 & 86)	
c) Basic Structure of the Indian Constitution	
Semester- II	
Unit5: Legislature	12
a) Union Legislature – Structure, Powers and Role	
b) State Legislature – Structure, Powers and Role	
Unit6: Executive	12
a) Union Executive – i) President and Vice President– Powers, Functions and Role	
ii) Prime Minister - Powers, Functions and Role	
iii) Council of Minister – Powers and Functions and Role	
b) State Executive- i) Governor - Powers, Functions and Role	
ii) Chief Minister – Powers, Functions and Role	
iii) Council of Minister – Powers and Functions and Role	

Unit7: Judiciary

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- a) Supreme Court : Powers and Functions
- b) High Court : Powers and Functions
- c) Judicial Review and Judicial Activism

Unit8: Electoral System

12

- a) Election Commission:Composition, Functions and Role
- b) Chief Election Commissioner
- c) Electoral reforms

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