

Political Science

B.A. Political Science-I

Total Mark: 100

Appendix 'A'
(Outlines of Tests)

Principles of Political Science : 100 Marks

Appendix 'B'
(Syllabi and Courses of Reading)

Principles of Political Science

100 Marks

1. Political Science: Definition, Scope and utility of Political Science and approaches to the study of Political Science.
2. The State: Definition and elements; state and government; State and Society; State and Associations.
3. Sovereignty: Definition, Characteristics, Kinds of Sovereignty Monism versus Pluralism-Islamic concept of Sovereignty.
4. Liberty: equality;
 - (a) Nature, kinds and safeguards of liberty, Liberty and liberty and law.
 - (b) Definition, meanings and kinds of rights, Fundamental Human Rights in Islam Rights of Non-Muslims in an Islamic State.
5. Law: Definition Meanings, kinds, sources of Law, Law and Morality-Islamic concept of Law; Sources of law in Islam. Importance of Ijtehad.
6. Organization of Modern State:
 - (a)
 - (1) Democracy; nature, attributes and reconditions
 - (2) Islamic concept of Democracy.
 - (3) Dictatorship; kinds and features.
 - (b) Unitary and federal systems.
 - (c) Parliamentary and presidential systems.
7. Structure of Government:

Executive, legislature and judiciary.
8. Political Participation:

Elections and Electorate; (a) Adult and restricted suffrage- Methods of voting-Direct Legislation (Referendum, initiative plebiscite and Recall, Qualifications of Voters and candidates in an Islamic policy. Role of an elected representative.

 - (i) in a modern secular state.

- (ii) in an Islamic state.
- (b) Free Elections and its pre-requisites. Direct and indirect elections—electoral districts—representation of minorities—proportional Representation-Functional representation.

9. Political Dynamics:

- (a) Political parties ; Types, functions and role.
- (b) Interest groups; types role in a modern policy; Methods of political action.
- (c) Public opinion Definition—Development of the concept—public opinion polls. Methods of measurement.

10. Theories regarding the nature and purpose of state;

Idealist View—utilitarian view—Socialism, Communism. Fascism
Welfare concept of state; Western and Islamic.