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Political Science

Curriculum for Grade XII

Class 12 Political Science (Arts) Curriculum Overview

The Class 12 Political Science curriculum is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of global and Indian political dynamics. It is divided into two textbooks: Contemporary World Politics, which focuses on international relations and global issues, and Politics in India Since Independence, which covers the political journey of India post-1947. This curriculum enables students to engage critically with political concepts and contemporary events.

Textbook 1: Contemporary World Politics

This textbook delves into global political structures, power dynamics, and pressing international concerns. Students will explore how the end of the Cold War shaped the world and analyze contemporary global challenges like security, environment, and globalization.

Chapter 1: The End of Bipolarity

Focuses on the dissolution of the Soviet Union and the end of the Cold War, highlighting its global impact and the rise of new political and economic orders.

Chapter 2: Contemporary Centres of Power

Discusses the emergence of new power centers, including the European Union, China, and other influential regions in the post-Cold War era.

Chapter 3: Contemporary South Asia

Examines the political and economic dynamics of South Asian countries, focusing on regional cooperation and conflicts within the subcontinent.

Chapter 4: International Organisations

Explores the role of international organizations such as the United Nations and how they contribute to global governance, peacekeeping, and development.

Chapter 5: Security in the Contemporary World

Discusses the evolving concept of security, covering traditional military security and newer challenges like cyber security, terrorism, and human security.

Chapter 6: Environment and Natural Resources

Focuses on global environmental issues, resource depletion, and the politics surrounding sustainable development and climate change.

Chapter 7: Globalisation

Analyzes the process of globalization, its economic, cultural, and political effects, and the debates surrounding its impact on national sovereignty and global governance.

Textbook 2: Politics in India Since Independence

This textbook offers a detailed account of India's political evolution since independence, covering key challenges, changes in political systems, and the country's international relations. It provides a deep insight into India's journey toward becoming a stable democracy.

Chapter 1: Challenges of Nation Building

Discusses the partition of India, the integration of princely states, and the creation of a unified nation post-independence.

Chapter 2: Era of One-Party Dominance

Examines the early years of India's political system, marked by the dominance of the Indian National Congress and the challenges to its leadership.

Chapter 3: Politics of Planned Development

Focuses on India's approach to economic planning and development, including the role of the Planning Commission and the Five-Year Plans.

Chapter 4: India's External Relations

Explores India's foreign policy, focusing on non-alignment, relations with neighboring countries, and India's role in global affairs.

Chapter 5: Challenges to and Restoration of the Congress System

Analyzes the political crisis that led to the decline of Congress's dominance and the subsequent restoration of the party's leadership.

Chapter 6: The Crisis of Democratic Order

Investigates the Emergency period (1975–1977) and its effects on Indian democracy, highlighting the tension between authority and democratic rights.

Chapter 7: Regional Aspirations

Examines the regional political movements, demands for autonomy, and how the Indian political system dealt with diverse aspirations across states.

Chapter 8: Recent Developments in Indian Politics

Focuses on key political changes in India after the 1990s, including coalition politics, economic reforms, and the emergence of new political parties.

This curriculum is designed to give Class 12 students a broad and insightful understanding of both global political trends and India's political history post-independence. By studying these topics, students will develop a critical awareness of political events and their relevance in shaping the contemporary world and India's political landscape.

