

SEMESTER 2

Paper V Nationalism in India

Course Objective: The purpose of this course is to help students understand the struggle of Indian people against colonialism. It seeks to achieve this understanding by looking at this struggle from different theoretical perspectives that highlight its different dimensions. The course begins with the nineteenth century Indian responses to colonial dominance in the form of reformism and its criticism and continues through various phases up to the events leading to Partition and Independence. In the process, the course tries to highlight its various conflicts and contradictions by focusing on its different dimensions: communalism, class struggle, caste and gender questions.

I. Approaches to the Study of Nationalism in India (12 Lectures)

Nationalist, Cambridge School, Marxist, and Subaltern interpretations

II. Reformism and Anti-Reformism in the 19th Century (08 Lectures)

Major Social and Religious movements among Hindus and Muslims; Brahmo Samaj, Arya Samaj, Dharma Sabhas, Aligarh Movement

III. Nationalist Politics and Expansion of its Social Base (24 Lectures)

- (a) Phases of Nationalist Movement and different ideological streams: Moderates and Extremists within Congress and revolutionary radicals; Formation of the Muslim League
- (b) Gandhi and mass mobilisation: Khilafat, Non-cooperation and Civil Disobedience Movements
- (c) Socialist alternatives: Congress socialists, Communists
- (d) Communalism in Indian Politics

IV. Social Movements (10 Lectures)

- (a) *The Women's Question*: participation in the national movement and its impact(3 Lectures)
- (b) *The Caste Question*: anti-Brahmanical Politics (3 Lectures)
- (c) *Peasant, Tribals, and Workers* movements (4 Lectures)

V. Partition and Independence (6 Lectures)

The two-Nation theory, negotiations over partition

Essential Readings

I. Approaches to the Study of Nationalism in India

Bandopadhyay, S. (2004) *From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India*. New Delhi: Orient Longman, pp. 184-191.

Thapar, R. (2000) 'Interpretations of Colonial History: Colonial, Nationalist, Post-colonial', in DeSouza, P.R. (ed.) *Contemporary India: Transitions*. New Delhi: Sage Publications, pp. 25-36.

II. Reformism and Anti-Reformism in the 19th Century

Bandopadhyay, S. (2004) *From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India*. New Delhi: Orient Longman, pp. 139-158 ; 254-247.

Sen, A.P. (2007), 'The idea of Social reform and its critique among Hindus of Nineteenth Century India', in Bhattacharya, Sabyasachi . (ed.) *Development of Modern Indian Thought and the Social Sciences* . Vol X. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

III. Nationalist Politics and Expansion of its Social Base

Bandopadhyay, S. (2004) *From Plassey to Partition: A History of Modern India*. New Delhi: Orient Longman, pp. 279-311.

Sarkar, S. (1983) *Modern India (1885-1847)*. New Delhi: Macmillan.

Jalal, A. and Bose, S. (1997) *Modern South Asia: History, Culture, and Political Economy*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 109-119 ; 128-134.

IV. Social Movements

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V. Partition and Independence

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Jalal, A. and Bose, S. (1997) *Modern South Asia: History, Culture, and Political Economy*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.135-156.

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Islam, S. (2004) 'The Origins of Indian Nationalism', in *Religious Dimensions of Indian Nationalism*. New Delhi: Media House, pp. 71-103.

Islam, S. (2006) 'Rashtravaad: Ek Siddhanthik Preepreksh', in *Bharat maen algaovaad aur dharm*. New Delhi: Vani Prakashan, pp. 33-51.

Chatterjee, P. (2010) 'A Brief History of *Subaltern Studies*', in Chatterjee, Partha *Empire & Nation: Essential Writings (1985-2005)*. New Delhi: Permanent Black.

Sangari, Kand Vaid, S. (1989) *Recasting Woman: Essays in Colonial History*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Pradhan, Ram Chandra. (2008) *Raj to Swaraj*. New Delhi: Macmillan.

Mani, B.R. (2005) *Debrahmanising History, Dominance and Resistance in Indian Society*. New Delhi: Manohar Publishers.

Paper VI Political Theory: Concepts and Debates

Course Objective: This course is divided into two sections. Section A helps the student familiarize with the basic normative concepts of political theory. Each concept is related to a crucial political issue that requires analysis with the aid of our conceptual understanding. This exercise is designed to encourage critical and reflective analysis and interpretation of social practices through the relevant conceptual toolkit. Section B introduces the students to the important debates in the subject. These debates prompt us to consider that there is no settled way of understanding concepts and that in the light of new insights and challenges, besides newer ways of perceiving and interpreting the world around us, we inaugurate new modes of political debates.

Section A: Core Concepts

I. Importance of Freedom (10 Lectures)

- a) Negative Freedom: Liberty
- b) Positive Freedom: Freedom as Emancipation and Development

Important Issue: Freedom of belief, expression and dissent

II. Significance of Equality (12 lectures)

- a) Formal Equality: Equality of opportunity
- b) Political equality
- c) Egalitarianism: Background inequalities and differential treatment

Important Issue: Affirmative action

III. Indispensability of Justice (12 Lectures)

- a) Procedural Justice
- b) Distributive Justice
- c) Global Justice

Important Issue: Capital punishment

IV. The Universality of Rights (13 Lectures)

- a) Natural Rights
- b) Moral and Legal Rights
- c) Three Generations of Rights
- d) Rights and Obligations

Important Issue: Right of the girl child

Section B: Major Debates (13 Lectures)

I. Why should we obey the state? Issues of political obligation and civil disobedience.

II. Are human rights universal? Issue of cultural relativism.

III. How do we accommodate diversity in plural society? Issues of multiculturalism and toleration.

Essential Readings

Section A: Core Concepts

I. Importance of Freedom

Riley, Jonathan. (2008) 'Liberty' in McKinnon, Catriona (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*, New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 103-119.

Knowles, Dudley. (2001) *Political Philosophy*. London: Routledge, pp. 69- 132.

Swift, Adam. (2001) *Political Philosophy: A Beginners Guide for Student's and Politicians*. Cambridge: Polity Press, pp. 51-88.

Carter, Ian. (2003) 'Liberty', in Bellamy, Richard and Mason, Andrew (eds.). *Political Concepts*. Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 4-15.

Sethi, Aarti. (2008) 'Freedom of Speech and the Question of Censorship', in Bhargava, Rajeev and Acharya, Ashok. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 308-319.

II. Significance of Equality

Swift, Adam. (2001) *Political Philosophy: A Beginners Guide for Student's and Politicians*. Cambridge: Polity Press, pp. 91-132.

Casal, Paula & William, Andrew. (2008) 'Equality', in McKinnon, Catriona. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 149- 165.

Acharya, Ashok. (2008) 'Affirmative Action', in Bhargava, Rajeev and Acharya, Ashok. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 298-307.

III. Indispensability of Justice

Menon, Krishna. (2008) 'Justice', in Bhargava, Rajeev and Acharya, Ashok. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 74-86.

Wolf, Jonathan. (2008) 'Social Justice', in McKinnon, Catriona. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 172-187.

Swift, Adam. (2001) *Political Philosophy: A Beginners Guide for Student's and Politicians*. Cambridge: Polity Press, pp. 9-48.

Knowles, Dudley. (2001) *Political Philosophy*. London: Routledge, pp. 177-238.

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Bedau, Hugo Adam. (2003) 'Capital Punishment', in LaFollette, Hugh (ed.). *The Oxford Handbook of Practical Ethics*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 705-733.

IV. The Universality of Rights

Seglow, Jonathan. (2003) 'Multiculturalism' in Bellamy, Richard and Mason, Andrew (eds.). *Political Concepts*. Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 156-168.

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- Menlowe, M.A. (1993) 'Political Obligations', in Bellamy Richard.(ed.) *Theories and Concepts of Politics*. New York: Manchester University Press, pp. 174-194.
- Amoah, Jewel. (2007) 'The World on Her Shoulders: The Rights of the Girl-Child in the Context of Culture & Identity', in *Essex Human Rights Review*, 4(2), pp. 1-23.
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- Hyums, Keith. (2008) 'Political Authority and Obligation', in Mckinnon, Catriona. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*, New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 9-26
- Martin, Rex. (2003) 'Political Obligation', in Bellamy, Richard and Mason, Andrew. (eds.) *Political Concepts*, Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 41-51.
- Campbell, Tom. (2008) 'Human Rights' in Mckinnon, Catriona. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 194-210.
- Mookherjee, Monica, 'Multiculturalism', in Mckinnon, Catriona. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 218- 234.
- Seglow, Jonathan, 'Multiculturalism', in Bellamy, Richard and Mason, Andrew. (eds.) *Political Concepts*, Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 156-168.

Paper VII Political Processes in India

Course Objective: Actual politics in India diverges quite significantly from constitutional legal rules. An understanding of the political process thus calls for a different mode of analysis - that offered by political sociology. This course maps the working of 'modern' institutions, premised on the existence of an individuated society, in a context marked by communitarian solidarities, and their mutual transformation thereby. It also familiarizes students with the working of the Indian state, paying attention to the contradictory dynamics of modern state power.

I. Political Parties and the Party System: National and regional parties; trends in the party system - from the Congress system to the era of multiparty coalitions **(10 Lectures)**

II. Elections and the Electoral System: The nature of, and challenges to, the electoral system ; social determinants of voting. **(10 Lectures)**

III. Federalism and Regional Aspirations: Politics of secession, autonomy and accommodation. **(08 Lectures)**

IV. Religion and Politics: Debates on secularism; majority and minority communalism. **(10 Lectures)**

V. Caste and Politics: Caste in politics and the politicization of caste; interaction of caste with class and gender; caste discrimination and affirmative action policies. **(11 Lectures)**

VI. Globalisation and the Changing Nature of the Indian State: The nature of political power in India, with reference to developmental, welfare, ideological and coercive dimensions **(11 Lectures)**

Essential Readings

I. Political Parties and the Party System: National and regional parties; trends in the party system – from the Congress system to the era of multiparty coalitions

Arora, B. (2000) 'Negotiating Differences: Federal Coalitions and National Cohesion', in Frankel, F. Hasan, Z. Bhargava, R. and Arora, B. (eds.) *Transforming India: Social and Political Dynamics of Democracy*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 176-206.

Jaffrelot, C. (2001) 'The Sangh Parivar Between Sanskritization and Social Engineering', in Hansen, T.B. and Jaffrelot, C. (eds.) *The BJP and the Compulsions of Politics in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 22-71.

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Manor, J. (1995) 'Regional Parties in Federal Systems', in Arora, B. and Verney, D.V. (eds.) *Multiple Identities in a Single State: Indian Federalism in Comparative Perspective*. Delhi: Konark, pp. 105-135.

Rodrigues, V. (2006) 'The Communist Parties in India', in deSouza, P.R. and Sridharan, E.(eds.) *India's Political Parties*. New Delhi: Sage, pp. 199-252.

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Chibber. P. and Petrocik, J.R. (2002) 'Social Cleavages, Elections and the Indian Party System', in Hasan, Z. (ed.) *Parties and Party Politics in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 56-75.

Ansari, I.A. (2001) 'Ensuring Representation', *Seminar*, Issue 506, pp. 37-41. [Online] DOI: <http://www.india-seminar.com/semsearch.htm>.

De Souza P.R. (2001) 'Whose Representative?', *Seminar*, Issue 506, pp. 57-61.[Online] DOI: <http://www.india-seminar.com/semsearch.htm>.

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III. Federalism and Regional Aspirations: Politics of secession, autonomy and accommodation

Brass, P.R. (1999) 'Crisis of National Unity: Punjab, the Northeast and Kashmir', in *The Politics of India Since Independence*. New Delhi: Cambridge University Press and Foundation Books, pp.192-227.

Chadda, M. (2010) 'Integration Through Internal Reorganization: Containing Ethnic Conflict in India,' in Baruah, S. (ed.) *Ethnonationalism in India: A Reader*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 379-402.

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IV. Religion and Politics: Debates on secularism; majority and minority communalism

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V. Caste and Politics: Caste in politics and the politicization of caste; interaction of caste with class and gender; caste discrimination and affirmative action policies

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VI. Globalization and the Changing Nature of the Indian State: The nature of political power in India, with reference to developmental, welfare, ideological and coercive dimensions.

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PAPER VIII

CONCURRENT - CREDIT LANGUAGE