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<b>POL-CC-T-1: Understanding Political Theory : Concepts</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-I</b>	1	What is Politics? Meaning of Political.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		2	Key concepts I: State; Nation; Sovereignty (Monistic and Pluralistic); Power and Authority--- types and linkages	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Key concepts II: Law. Liberty, Equality - Their interrelationships.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	Key concepts III: Rights; Justice (with special reference to Rawls); Freedom.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	Key concepts IV: Democracy (with special reference to David Held); Authoritarianism.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10
		6	Key concepts V: Citizenship.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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<b>POL-H-CC-T-II: Understanding Political Theory: Approaches and Debates</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-I</b>	1	Approaches I: Normative; Legal-Institutional; Empirical-Behavioural--- Systems Analysis; Structural - Functionalism	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		2	Approaches II: Liberalism; Social Welfarism; Neo-Liberalism.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Approaches III: Postcolonial; Feminist.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		4	Marxian approach--- Dialectical Materialism and Historical Materialism.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		5	Key ideas: State (focus on Relative Autonomy); Class and Class Struggle; Surplus Value; Alienation.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10
		6	Party--- Democratic Centralism; Lenin-Rosa Luxemburg debate; Revolution--- Lenin and Mao. Hegemony and Civil Society: Gramsci.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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<b>POL-H-CC-T-3: Politics in India</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-II</b>	1	Approaches to the Study of Indian Politics – Marxist and Liberal- Indian Political Culture- Various Interpretations	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		2	. The Indian Party System – Main Features- Major National Political Parties – Major Regional Political Parties- From the Congress System to Multi-Party Coalitions.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Identity Politics and Social Cleavages in India- Role of Caste, Class and Religion in politics.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	Electoral Politics in India: The Election Commission- Electoral Reforms in India – Voting Behaviour in India- Its major determinants- Defection Politics in India – Crime and Politics in India.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	Nation Building in India – Major Challenges - Regionalism in India- Main Components- Regionalism versus Nationalism Debate- Major Regional movements in India – Gorkhaland and Bodoland movement.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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<b>POL-CC--T-4: Indian Constitution</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER- II</b>	1	Framing of the Indian Constitution: Role of the Constituent Assembly, the Preamble and Philosophy of Indian Constitution	RAJIB SAHA	5
		2	Rights and Duties: Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles of State Policy.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Federalism and Decentralization in India: Nature of Indian Federalism: Union-State Relations – Nature and Evolving Trends of Federalism in India, 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Schedules, Panchayati Raj and Municipalities.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		4	Union Executive: President and Vice President. Prime Minister and Council of Ministers, Relationship between President and Prime Minister	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha: Composition and Functions, Speaker.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
		6	The Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Composition and Functions, Judicial Activism & Public Interest Litigation (PIL).	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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<b>POL-H-CC-T-5: Indian Political Thought (Ancient and Medieval)</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-III</b>	1	Ancient Indian Political ideas: overview, Ideas on Brahmanic and Shramanic traditions.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		2	Shantiparva with special reference to Rajdharmas.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		3	Buddhist political thought: Kingship and the relations between politics and Ethics.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		4	: Kautilya's Political Thought: Saptanga Theory of State – Mandala Theory and Diplomacy	RAJIB SAHA	5
		5	Medieval Political Thought in India: A broad outline- Zia Barani: Good Sultan and Ideal Polity. Principle of Syncretism.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10
		6	Abul Fazl: Governance and Administration, Kabir: Syncretism.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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<b>POL-H-CC-T-6: Indian Political Thought (Modern)</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-III</b>	1	Rammohan Roy– Views on rule of law, Rights, freedom of thought and social justice.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		2	Vivekananda: Views on Cultural nationalism, Society and Education.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		3	Syed Ahmed Khan and Iqbal: views on colonialism and nationalism.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		4	Rabindranath Tagore: Critique of Nationalism and his views on Internationalism.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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	5	M.N.Roy: Views on National and Colonial Questions and Radical Humanism.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
	6	B.R. Ambedkar : Views on social justice and Constitutionalism.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
	7	Pandita Ramabai : Her views on Gender & Social Justice.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
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<b>POL-H-CC-T-7: Understanding International Relations: Theories and Concepts.</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-III</b>	1	International Relations: outline of its evolution as academic discipline – What is International Relations Theory?	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		2	The Great Debates in the discipline of International Relations: First, Second and Third.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		3	Mainstream International Relations Theories: (a) Classical Realism and Neo-Realism (b) Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism (c) Marxian - Dependency & World Systems theory (d) Feminist Approach (e) Eurocentricism and Perspectives from the Global South.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	National Power- Definition, Elements and Limitation – Balance of Power- Devices of maintaining Balance of Power- Collective Security.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	: Foreign Policy- Objectives – Instruments of foreign policy- Diplomacy, Propaganda and Foreign Aid	RAJIB SAHA	5



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<b>POL-H-CC-T-8: Public Administration (Theories &amp; Concepts)</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-IV</b>	1	Public Administration: Definition, Nature and Scope; Difference between Private and Public Administration; Evolution of the Discipline of Public Administration.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		2	Classical Theories of Administration: Classical Theory, ( Fayol, Urwick and Gulick) Scientific Management Theory,(F.W.Taylor) Bureaucratic Theory, (Max Weber).	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Neo-Classical Theories of Administration: Elton Mayo and Human Relations Theory; Decision-making with special reference to H.Simon,	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		4	Contemporary Theories of Administration: Ecological Approach of Fred Riggs; Innovation and Entrepreneurship of Peter Drucker.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	Public Policy: Concept and Relevance – Approaches to the Study of Public Policy; Public Policy Formulation, Implementation and Evaluation.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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	6	Major Approaches in Public Administration: New Public Administration, New Public Management, New Public Service Approach and Good Governance.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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<b>POL-H-CC-T-9: Public Policy and Indian Administration</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-IV</b>	1	Evolution of Indian Administration – Ancient-Medieval and Modern period: brief historical overview -Continuity and change in Indian administration.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		2	Civil Service in India (Bureaucracy): Recruitment & training- Role of UPSC and SPSC- Minister - Civil Servant Relationship - Generalists and Specialists Debate.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		3	Social Welfare Policies in India: Concept and Approaches of Social Welfare – Social Welfare Policies – a) Education: Right to Education, b) Health: National Health Mission, c) Food: Right to Food Security and d) Employment: MNREGA.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	Citizen and Administration: Concept of Accountability- Major forms of administrative accountability- Legislative- Executive & Judicial- Citizen's Charter- Right to Information Act, 2005, E-Governance.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		5	Financial Administration and Budget: Concept and Significance of Budget – Budget Cycles in India- Various Approaches and Types of Budget - Public Accounts Committee, Estimates Committee – role of CAG.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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		2	Contemporary Global Issues II: Understanding Globalization and Its alternative Perspectives – Debates on Sovereignty and Territoriality – Cultural and Technological Dimensions of Globalization; Political Economy of International Relations: New International Economic Order- North-South Dialogue- South-South Cooperation- World Bank- IMF- WTO- TNCs- Global trade & Finance- Neo-Colonialism and Dependency.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Contemporary Global Issues III: Terrorism & International System: Conceptual Framework – Challenges to Global Security – Post 9/11 Developments - Counter Terrorist Strategies and War on Terror; Human Rights: The politics of	RAJIB SAHA	10

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		human rights promotion – UN and Human Rights- Human Security- Migration		
	4	Cold War and its evolution: Different Phases- Collapse of USSR and End of Cold War- Emergence of Third World: NAM; Pan Africanism. Post-Cold War Developments: overview. West Asia and the Palestine question.	RAJIB SAHA	10
	5	Europe in transition: European Union, Brexit (overview).	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
	6	Major regional organizations: ASEAN, OPEC, SAFTA, SAARC and BRICS.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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<b>POL-H-CC-T-11: Western Political Thought (Ancient &amp; Medieval)</b>	<b>B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-V</b>	1	Background of Western Political Thought: A Brief Outline with special reference to Stoics and Sophists of ancient Greece.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		2	Plato – Philosophy and Politics- Theory of Forms, Justice, Philosopher King/Queen, Communism- Women and Guardianship- Critique of Democracy - Censorship.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		3	Aristotle – Theory of State – Classification of Governments- Man as a Zoon Politikon- Justice- Citizenship.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	Medieval Theological Thought: Basic Features, Conflict between Church and State- Contribution of St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas and Marsiglio of Padua.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10
		5	Machiavelli: Virtue & Vice – Morality and Statecraft – Religion- Republicanism.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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POL-H-CC-T-12: Western Political Thought (Modern)	B.A. Political Science (Honours) SEMESTER-V	1	: Thomas Hobbes – Materialism, Human Nature & Sovereignty- John Locke – Natural Rights and Property- JJ Rousseau – Concept of General Will, Local or Direct Democracy, Origin of Inequality	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		2	Immanuel Kant –Enlightenment and Moral Freedom - Hegel – Dialectics, Civil Society and State	RAJIB SAHA	10
		3	: J.S. Mill- Liberty, Suffrage, Subjection of Women, right of minorities, utility principles.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	: Mary Wollstonecraft: Women and Paternalism- Critique on Rousseau’s idea on education- legal rights.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10
		5	Alexandra Kollontai: Winged and Wingless Eros, Proletarian women, Socialization of housework, disagreement with Lenin.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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Public Policy in India	POL-H-DSE-T-1(B):	1	Public Policy: Meaning, Scope and Importance – The emergence of Policy Sciences	RAJIB SAHA	10
		2	Models of Policy Decision-Making.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		3	Policy making in India - Nehruvian Vision- – Pre and Post Liberalization period in India – Determinants of Public Policy in India	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		4	Major Public Policies in India: a) Public Health; b) Education and c) Environment	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	Constraints and Challenges to Public Policy implementation in India: Economic, Political and Socio-Cultural	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5



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		2	Industrial Development Strategy and its Impact on the Social Structure : Mixed economy, privatization, the impact on organized and unorganized labour - Emergence of the new Indian middle class.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10
		3	Agrarian Development Strategy and its Impact on the Social Structure: Land Reforms, Green Revolution, Agrarian crisis since the 1990s and its impact on farmers	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	Social Movements in India: Tribal, Peasant, Dalit and Women's movements - Maoist challenge - Civil rights movements in India.	RAJIB SAHA	10

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		2	: Social Stratification and Politics: Caste, class and elite	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Power, Influence, and Authority	RAJIB SAHA	5
		4	Political Culture: Meaning, nature and types.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		5	: Political Socialization: Meaning and agencies	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
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		2	Major approaches to the study of comparative politics ---Institutional approach (dominant schools: Systems approach and Structural Functional approach)- limitations; New Institutionalism, Political Economy--- origin and key features.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Colonialism and Decolonization: Meaning, context, forms – anti-colonial struggles and process of decolonization	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	Socialism: Meaning, growth and Development	RAJIB SAHA	5
		5	Comparative study of the Constitutional Developments and Political Economy of: Britain, Brazil, Nigeria and China	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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		2	India's Relations with the USA and USSR/Russia	RAJIB SAHA	10
		3	India's Engagements with China	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
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		2	Legislative Process - How a Bill becomes a Law, Role of the Standing Committee in reviewing a Bill, Legislative Consultations, amendments to a Bill, the framing of Rules and Regulations	RAJIB SAHA	5
		3	Legislative Committees: Types and role – Types of committees, Role of committees in reviewing government finances, policy, programmes, and legislation.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		4	: Budget Document : Overview of Budget Process, Role of Parliament in reviewing the Union Budget, Railway Budget, Examination of Demands for Grants of Ministries, Working of Ministries.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		5	Media monitoring and communication: Types of media and their significance for legislators. Basics of communication in print and electronic media.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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Public Opinion and Survey Research	POL-H-SEC-T-2(A):	1	Definition and characteristics of public opinion, conceptions and characteristics, debates about its role in a democratic political system, uses for opinion poll.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		2	Measuring Public Opinion: What is sampling? Why do we need to sample? Sample design, Methods and Types of Sampling- Non-Random Sampling (Quota, Purposive and Snowball sampling) –Random Sampling (Simple and Stratified) , Sampling error and non-response	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		3	Interviewing: Interview techniques pitfalls, different types of and forms of interview	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		4	Questionnaire: Question wording; fairness and clarity	RAJIB SAHA	5
		5	Quantitative Data Analysis: Introduction to quantitative data analysis, Basic concepts: correlationresearch, causation and prediction, descriptive and inferential Statistics	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
		6	Prediction in polling research: possibilities and pitfalls, Politics of Interpreting Poll	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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		2	Theories of the State (a) Origin: Social Contract Theory; (b) Nature: Idealist, Liberal and Neo-liberal theories.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Concept of State Sovereignty: Monistic and Pluralistic theories.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		4	: Liberty, Justice, Equality, Rights, State, Civil Society and Law: Meaning and their interrelations	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	Democracy: Meaning and typology.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
		6	Debates in Political Theory: i) Is democracy compatible with economic growth? ii) On what grounds is censorship justified and what are its limits? iii) Does Protective Discrimination violate principles of fairness? iv) Should the state intervene in the institution of the family?	AL MAMUN HASSAN	10

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POL-GE-CC-T-2: Indian Government and Politics	B.A. Political Science (GE) SEMESTER-II & IV	1	Approaches to the study of Indian Politics and Nature of the State in India: Liberal, Marxist and Gandhian.	RAJIB SAHA	5
		2	Indian Constitution: Basic Features, Debates on Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	10
		3	Union Executive: President and Vice-President – Election, power and position. Prime Minister – Power and position; Council of Ministers; Relationship of President and Prime Minister,	RAJIB SAHA	10
		4	Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha: Composition and functions; Speaker. The Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Compositions and functions.	RAJIB SAHA	10
		5	Religion and Politics: debates on secularism and communalism.	ABU EMDAD MD ABDUR RAKIB	5
		6	: Power Structure in India: Role of Caste, class and patriarchy.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5
		7	Social Movements: Workers, Peasants, Environmental and Women's Movement.	AL MAMUN HASSAN	5

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