

# POLITICAL SCIENCE MAINS TEST SERIES 2024

TEST SERIES *cum* MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME



**23** DECEMBER  
2023

POL SCIENCE TEST SERIES

PROGRAMME FEE ₹ 10,000 + GST



Total 12 Tests: 8 Sectional & 4 Mock Tests



Elaborate Discussion after each test



Detailed Model Answer Hints



Copy Evaluation & Discussion

- After submission of Copy, Evaluation will be done within a week.
- After Copy Evaluation One to One Discussion with Faculty will be conducted

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# TEST SCHEDULE

TEST NAME & DATE	TEST TOPICS
<b>TEST-1</b> <hr/> <b>23 DECEMBER, 2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Western Political Thought</b> :Plato ,Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, John,S. Mill, Marx, Gramsci, Hannah Arendt</li> <li>◦ <b>Political Ideologies:</b> Liberalism, Socialism, Marxism, Fascism, Gandhism and Feminism</li> </ul>
<b>TEST-2</b> <hr/> <b>31 DECEMBER, 2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Political theory</b> meaning and approaches</li> <li>◦ <b>Theories of the state:</b> Liberal, Neoliberal, Marxist, Pluralist, Post-colonial and feminist</li> <li>◦ <b>Justice:</b> Conceptions of justice with special reference to Rawl's theory of justice and its communitarian critiques.</li> <li>◦ <b>Equality:</b> Social, political and economic relationship between equality and freedom; Affirmative action</li> <li>◦ <b>Rights:</b> Meaning and theories; different kinds of rights; concept of Human Rights.</li> <li>◦ <b>Democracy:</b> Classical and contemporary theories; different models of democracy' representative, participatory and deliberative</li> </ul>
<b>TEST-3</b> <hr/> <b>07 JANUARY, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Concept of Power:</b> Hegemony, Ideology and Legitimacy</li> <li>◦ <b>Indian Political Thought:</b> Dharamshastra, Arthashastra and Buddhist traditions; Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Sri Aurobindo, M.K. Gandhi, B.R. Ambedkar,M.N. Roy.</li> </ul>

**TEST-4****14 JANUARY,  
2024**

- **Indian Nationalism:**
  - ▶ **Political Strategies of India's Freedom struggle:** constitutionalism to mass Satyagraha, Non-cooperation, Civil Disobedience; militant and revolutionary movements, Peasant and workers' movements.
  - ▶ **Perspectives on Indian National Movement:** Liberal, Socialist and Marxist; Radical humanist and Dalit
- **Making of the Indian Constitution:** Legacies of the British rule; different social and political perspectives.
- **Salient Features of the Indian Constitution:** The Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles; Parliamentary System and Amendment Procedures; Judicial Review and Basic Structure doctrine
  - ▶ **Principal Organs of the Union Government:** Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and Supreme Court
  - ▶ **Principal Organs of the State Government:** Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and High Courts
- **Grassroots Democracy:** Panchayati Raj and Municipal Government; significance of 73rd and 74th Amendments; Grassroot movements
- **Federalism:** Constitutional provisions; changing nature of centre-state relations; integrationist tendencies and regional aspirations; inter-state disputes.
- **Planning and Economic Development:** Nehruvian and Gandhian perspectives; role of planning and public sector; Green Revolution, land reforms and agrarian relations; liberalization and economic reforms.
- **Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Party System:</b> National and regional political parties, ideological and social bases of parties; patterns of coalition politics; Pressure groups, trends in electoral behaviour; changing socio-economic profile of Legislators.</li> <li>◦ <b>Social Movements:</b> Civil liberties and human rights movements; women's movements; environmentalist movements</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TEST-5</b></p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>21 JANUARY, 2024</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Approaches to the Study of International Relations:</b> Idealist, Realist, Marxist, Functionalist and Systems theory.</li> <li>◦ <b>Key concepts in International Relations:</b> National interest, Security and power; Balance of power and deterrence; Transnational actors and collective security; World capitalist economy and globalisation.</li> <li>◦ <b>Contemporary Global Concerns:</b> Democracy, human rights, environment, gender justice, terrorism, nuclear proliferation.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TEST-6</b></p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>28 JANUARY, 2024</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Changing International Political Order</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Rise of super powers; strategic and ideological Bipolarity, arms race and Cold War; nuclear threat;</li> <li>▶ Non-aligned movement: Aims and achievements;</li> <li>▶ Collapse of the Soviet Union; Unipolarity and American hegemony; relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ <b>Comparative Politics:</b> Nature and major approaches; political economy and political sociology perspectives; limitations of the comparative method.</li> <li>◦ <b>State in comparative perspective:</b> Characteristics and changing nature of the State in capitalist and socialist economies, and, advanced industrial and developing societies.</li> </ul>

- **Politics of Representation and Participation:** Political parties, pressure groups and social movements in advanced industrial and developing societies.
- **Globalisation:** Responses from developed and developing societies
- **Evolution of the International Economic System:** From Brettonwoods to WTO; Socialist economies and the CMEA (Council for Mutual Economic Assistance); Third World demand for new international economic order; Globalisation of the world economy.

**TEST-7****04 FEBRUARY,  
2024**

- **Indian Foreign Policy:** Determinants of foreign policy; institutions of policy-making; continuity and change.
- **Non-aligned Movement:** Aims and achievements. Relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world, India's Contribution to the Non-Alignment Movement: Different phases; current role
- **India and South Asia:** Regional Co-operation: SAARC' past performance and future prospects.
- **South Asia as a Free Trade Area.**
- **India's "Look East" policy**
- **Impediments to regional co-operation:** river water disputes; illegal cross-border migration; ethnic conflicts and insurgencies; border disputes.
- **India and the Nuclear Question:** Changing perceptions and policy

**TEST-8****11 FEBRUARY,  
2024**

- **India and the Global South:** Relations with Africa and Latin America; leadership role in the demand for NIEO and WTO negotiations
- **India and the Global Centres of Power:** USA, EU, Japan, China and Russia
- **Recent developments in Indian Foreign policy:** India's position on the recent crisis in Afghanistan, Iraq and West Asia, growing relations with US and Israel; vision of a new world order.

- **United Nations:** Envisaged role and actual record; specialized UN agencies-aims and functioning; need for UN reforms.
- **India and the UN System:** Role in UN Peace-keeping; demand for Permanent Seat in the Security Council.
- **Regionalisation of World Politics:** EU, ASEAN, APEC, SAARC, NAFTA

**AFTER PRLEIMS**

TEST: 09	MOCK 1 - PAPER 1
TEST: 10	MOCK 2 - PAPER 2
TEST: 11	MOCK 3 - PAPER 1
TEST: 12	MOCK 4 - PAPER 2

