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# SESSION PLAN

CLASS	SYLLABUS	TOPICS/ QUESTION
<b>PAPER - 1</b>		
<b>SESSION -1</b> <b>15 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>POLITICAL THEORY, STATE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easton Theory of Decline</li> <li>Behavioural Flaws and Resurgence</li> <li>Contextualist Approach in Reading Classics</li> <li>Relative Autonomy of State</li> <li>Neoliberal V/s Classical Theory of State</li> <li>Simple, Horizontal and Vertical Pluralism</li> <li>Post-Colonial in not any Theory</li> <li>Marxist State</li> <li>Feminist State</li> <li>Post Modernism of Foucault</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -2</b> <b>16 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>JUSTICE, EQUALITY, RIGHTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rawlsian Defense of Justice</li> <li>Dworkins Amendments of Rawls</li> <li>Communitarian Arguments and Its Weakness</li> <li>Egalitarian Plateau: Kymlicka</li> <li>Procedural V/s Substantive Equality</li> <li>Evaluating Affirmative Action</li> <li>Digital Dilution of Human Rights</li> <li>Myth of Generations of Rights</li> <li>Rights Revolution</li> <li>Critique of Multiculturalism</li> </ul>

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<b>SESSION -3</b> <b>17 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>DEMOCRACY, POWER, HEGEMONY, LEGITIMACY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▣ Rejection of democracy by classical thinkers</li><li>▣ Mill as reluctant democrat</li><li>▣ Radical democracy of Macpherson</li><li>▣ Deliberative democracy</li><li>▣ Substantive democracy</li><li>▣ Elite theory of power and democracy</li><li>▣ Legitimation crisis</li><li>▣ Authority of weber</li><li>▣ Public power of Hannah Arendt</li><li>▣ Hegemony of Gramsci and critique</li></ul>
<b>SESSION -4</b> <b>18 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>IDEOLOGIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▣ Repressive tolerance of Marcuse</li><li>▣ Ideology in Marx</li><li>▣ End of ideology is an ideology</li><li>▣ Personal is political and its problems</li><li>▣ Green ethics</li><li>▣ Liberalism is only true ideology: Karl popper</li><li>▣ Left-right is outdated- Anthony Giddens</li><li>▣ Socialism vs scientific socialism</li><li>▣ Ideology theory: Karl Mannheim</li><li>▣ Right to property is foundation of modern ideologies</li></ul>
<b>SESSION -5</b> <b>19 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>INDIAN POL. THOUGHT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▣ Dharmashastras as cosmic philosophy</li><li>▣ Materialism and spiritualism are inseparable -Kautilya</li><li>▣ Vijigishu is pre condition for existence of State- Kautilya</li></ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ Mandala Theory</li> <li>▣ Saptanga Theory</li> <li>▣ Radical humanism is philosophical wandering</li> <li>▣ Swaraj and Satyagraha</li> <li>▣ Gandhian critique of modernity</li> <li>▣ Dr. Ambedkar's view on social-political justice</li> <li>▣ Two schools of Buddhist tradition</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -6</b> <b>20 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>WESTERN POL. THOUGHT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ Character of soul need caution and nourishing-Plato</li> <li>▣ Citizenship is contextual in Aristotle</li> <li>▣ Experience shaped thoughts of Machiavelli</li> <li>▣ Leviathan is beginning of modern politics</li> <li>▣ Ethics of Locke is his possessive individualism</li> <li>▣ Historical materialism is essence of Marx</li> <li>▣ Alienation is against human essence- Marx</li> <li>▣ Carlyle's critique Bentham</li> <li>▣ Personal and political freedom differ- Mill</li> <li>▣ Origin of totalitarianism lies in lack of reflective rationality- Hannah Arendt</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -7</b> <b>22 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>INDIAN NATIONALISM, MOVEMENT, MAKING OF CONSTITUTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ India: From geographical entity to a nation</li> <li>▣ Diverse view points on Revolt of 1857</li> <li>▣ Success of Moderates: Creation of Extremist</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evolution of militant nationalism from being religious to left oriented</li> <li>Ideological outlook of Indian National Movement: Liberal, Socialist and Marxist</li> <li>Dalit emancipation and Indian Freedom Struggle</li> <li>Integration of peasant's movement in anti-colonial struggle</li> <li>Women in freedom struggle</li> <li>Making of the Constitution: Patch-work of history, contemporary ideas and Constitutions</li> <li>Indian Constitution: A social contract producing an indestructible political entity</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -8</b> <b>23 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>FEATURES OF CONSTITUTION, ORGANS OF CENTRAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harmonious construction between Fundamental Rights and DPSPs</li> <li>Basic Structure Doctrine: Guarantee against legislative majoritarian rule or a judicial veto</li> <li>Right to be forgotten as part of right to privacy</li> <li>Preamble: Organic introduction to the constitution</li> <li>Indian Executive: From Cabinet to Prime Ministerial System</li> <li>Role of Indian President in Majoritarian Parliament</li> <li>Defection: new normal in Indian Politics (Role of Governor and Speaker)</li> </ul>

CLASS	SYLLABUS	TOPICS/ QUESTION
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ Lt. Governors vs Chief Ministers (in Union Territories)</li> <li>▣ Judicial Activism and Judicial overreach</li> <li>▣ Collegium System and Constitutional Supremacy</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -9</b> <b>24 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>PRI, INSTITUTIONS, FEDERALISM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ Panchayati Raj Institutions: Instruments of development for women, dalits and tribal</li> <li>▣ Question of reservation for OBCs in PRIs</li> <li>▣ Decentralisation: Global locus, but local focus</li> <li>▣ Election Commission: Ensuring elections to be fair and portraying their fairness</li> <li>▣ Report of 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission on fiscal federalism in India</li> <li>▣ Indian Federalism: Both Co-operative and Competitive</li> <li>▣ Federalism with Unitary Bias: Reasons and Impact</li> <li>▣ Interstate territorial disputes: causes and solutions</li> <li>▣ Inter-state Councils and Zonal Councils: potential and reality check</li> <li>▣ GST Council: New Fulcrum in Fiscal Federalism in India</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -10</b> <b>25 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>PLANNING, CASTE, PARTY SYSTEM, SOCIAL MOVEMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ Unfinished agenda of Reforms: Reason for India's jobless growth</li> <li>▣ Indian Agriculture: a case of crises management and not long term vision</li> <li>▣ Casting vote and voting for caste</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religion as opium in Indian Elections</li> <li>Emergence of women voters as determining factor in elections</li> <li>Development transgressing identity politics</li> <li>Ethnic politics in North-East</li> <li>Era of Diminishing number of National Parties</li> <li>Dynasty politics and failure of intra-party democracy in India</li> <li>Environmental issues and politics</li> </ul>
<b>PAPER - 2</b>		
<b>SESSION -11</b> <b>26 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>COMPARATIVE POLITICS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergence of comparative politics</li> <li>Limitations of comparative politics</li> <li>Changing nature of state concept</li> <li>Nature of multiparty system</li> <li>Political development</li> <li>Pressure groups and new social movement</li> <li>Political socialisation</li> <li>Easton theory of system approach</li> <li>Almond model of system</li> <li>Limitations of political economy approach</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -12</b> <b>27 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>IR THEORIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need of eclecticism in IR</li> <li>Significance of political realism</li> <li>Neorealism: offensive and defensive implications</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significance of semi periphery in WST</li> <li>Hegemonism in IR variants</li> <li>Kaplans system is overgenralisation?</li> <li>Building peace by pieces</li> <li>Intellectual precursor of realism</li> <li>Dependency theory role in evolution of Marxist approach</li> <li>Differences between realism and neo realism</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -13</b> <b>29 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>KEY CONCEPTS</b> <b>IR</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facets of National Interest and evolution</li> <li>Dimensions of Hard and Soft Power</li> <li>Power of Data in International Relations</li> <li>Securing National Frontiers including the digital boundaries</li> <li>Kenneth Waltz understanding of Balance of Power in present times</li> <li>Is Ukraine war, Russia's Zero Sum Game?</li> <li>Nuclear deterrence in India-Pakistan relations</li> <li>Development of complex interdependence in global affairs due to transnational actors</li> <li>Collective Security and United Nations</li> <li>Effect of global capitalist economy on the idea of Welfare State</li> </ul>



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<b>SESSION -14</b> <b>30 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>CHANGING WORLD ORDER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Churning in Indo-Pacific</li> <li>China's transition from Peaceful Rise to Xi's Dream</li> <li>Non-Alignment as a positive strategy for developing countries</li> <li>Multi-Alignment</li> <li>Challenges to American Hegemony</li> <li>Collapse of USSR and its colossal impact</li> <li>Fall of Berlin Wall and its impact</li> <li>End of Ideology debate</li> <li>Politics of Proliferation</li> <li>I2U2 in Middle East</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -15</b> <b>31 JULY, 2024</b>	<b>IPE, UN, REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demand of NIEO and reasons for the same</li> <li>WTO and its dispute resolution mechanism</li> <li>Changing voting profile in IMF and World Bank</li> <li>Structural divide in developmental levels in global North and South</li> <li>South-South Cooperation for Economic Development</li> <li>NDB and AIIB as challenge to Brettenwoods Institutions</li> <li>Future</li> <li>Need for democratization of International Financial Institutions</li> <li>G-20 as a the forum on International Economic System</li> <li>Are Investment banks as agents of New Imperial Age</li> </ul>

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<b>SESSION -16</b> <b>01 AUGUST, 2024</b>	<b>CONTEMPRARY GLOBAL ISSUES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UN &amp; its Charter: Epitome of victorious powers in World War II</li> <li>Dispute resolution through GA and SC</li> <li>UN as a forum for sustainable development</li> <li>Gender question and UN</li> <li>UN on terrorism</li> <li>Have UNGA meetings turned into ritualism?</li> <li>Reasons for impediment of UNSC</li> <li>Need of reform through democratization of UN</li> <li>Funds as a factor in influencing UN</li> <li>Working of International Court of Justice</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -17</b> <b>02 AUGUST, 2024</b>	<b>DETERMINANTS, INSTITUTIONS OF IFP, NAM CONTRIBUTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Philosophical orientation of Indian Foreign Policy: vasudhaiva kutumbakam</li> <li>State and non-state actors determining India's foreign relations</li> <li>History and Geography as factors in Foreign Policy of India</li> <li>Security of India: Prime Objective of India's Foreign Policy</li> <li>India's Cultural bond</li> <li>Liberalism and Realism embedded in Foreign policy of India</li> <li>Positioning of India in the Indo-Pacific</li> <li>Evolution of India's foreign policy</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▣ Role of NAM in evolution of India's foreign policy and its importance</li><li>▣ From Non-alignment to multi-alignment</li></ul>
<b>SESSION -18</b> <b>03 AUGUST, 2024</b>	<b>INDIA AND SOUTH ASIA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▣ SAARC: disintegration and defunct (Reasons and Reforms)</li><li>▣ Indus Water Treaty: Symbol of stability</li><li>▣ Evolution of India's response to cut by Thousand wounds</li><li>▣ Territorial dispute with Nepal</li><li>▣ Teesta: The only dividing factor</li><li>▣ India's assistance in energy security of Bangladesh</li><li>▣ Bhutan's Doklam and India's Chicken Neck</li><li>▣ Important of Act East in India's strategic and economic relations</li><li>▣ From "Act East" to "Move East"</li><li>▣ Border Management: An important impediment in India's relations with neighbour</li></ul>
<b>SESSION -19</b> <b>05 AUGUST, 2024</b>	<b>INDIA AND GOBAL SOUTH AND GREAT POWERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▣ India-Africa: Working on the development agenda</li><li>▣ BRICS &amp; IBSA: Epitome of South-South Co-operation</li><li>▣ India and WTO: Relation of syncline and anti-syncline</li><li>▣ India as part of global value chain and NIEO</li><li>▣ India-US: Strategic relations Interdependence at the core</li><li>▣ Understanding the British factor in India and Europe relations</li></ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>India-Japan: Economic and Technological cooperation</li> <li>India-China: Contentious borders but economic interdependence</li> <li>India-Russia: Evolution in post-cold war era</li> <li>Latin America: India's new diplomatic front</li> </ul>
<b>SESSION -20</b> <b>06 AUGUST, 2024</b>	<b>UN SYSTEM, NUCLEAR QUESTION, RECENT DEVELOPMENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Taliban 2.0 and India</li> <li>Energy security and India's relations with West Asia</li> <li>India's vision of New World Order</li> <li>India-Israel relations and Palestine cause</li> <li>Significance of QUAD</li> <li>Emergence of New World Order and India's contribution to it</li> <li>India's vision of global south</li> <li>Influence of China on India-Pakistan relations</li> <li>India's stand in climate negotiations</li> <li>Role played by India as relief provider during humanitarian crises</li> </ul>

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