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POLITICAL SCIENCE PAPER - 2

1. Western Political Thought

- Plato, Aristotle, Cicero, St. Thomas Aguinas
- Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau.
- Bentham, J.S. Mill, Hegel, T.H. Green.
- Karl Marx, Gramsci, Habermas, Frantz Fanon.
- Hannah Arendt, John Rawls, Robert Nozick, Michael Walzer.

2. Political Theory

- Nature and Need of Political Theory, its main concerns, decline and resurgence.
- Behaviouralism and Post-Behaviouralism. Fact- Value Dichotomy.
- System's Approach, Structural Functional Approach.
- Group Theory, Elite Theory, Rational Choice Theory.
- Nationalism: European and Non European. Feminism and Post Modernism.

3. Comparative Politics Analysis

- Approaches to the study of Comparative Politics- Institutionalism and New Institutionalism, Political Culture,
 Political Development, Political Socialization.
- State in comparative perspective: Characteristics and changing nature of state in Capitalist and Socialist economies and advanced industrial and developing societies.
- Governance: Bureaucracy, Public Policy, Good Governance and Democratic Governance, Civil Society.
- Colonialism and Decolonization: Development and Under Development, Liberalization, Privatization and Globalization.
- Revolution and Resistance, Democratization. New Social Movements and Patterns of changes in contemporary societies.

4. Political Processes and Dynamics in India

 Historical Background of Indian Politics- Making of India as a Nation State, Demands of Autonomy and Separatist movement, Emerging Trend in Centre-State relations, Practices of grass root democracy.



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- Socio-Cultural Aspects of Indian Politics- Issue of Caste, Class, Religion, Ethnicity and Gender in Indian Politics, Civil Society, Social and Political Movements.
- National and Regional Political Parties, Ideological and Social bases of Parties, Trends in Electoral behavior, Electoral Reforms, Pressure Groups.
- Commentators of Indian Politics- Granville Austin, Morris Jones, Rudolph and Rudolph, Rajni Kothari, C.P.
 Bhambri and Amartya Sen.
- Polity of Rajasthan- Formation of Rajasthan; Different Phases of Political competition in Rajasthan, Determinants of Party Politics in Rajasthan, People's Movements in Rajasthan.

5. International Politics and Indian Foreign Policy

- Rise of Super Powers, Cold War and Bi- Polarity, Non- Alignment Movement, End of Cold War and Remaking of the World order.
- United Nations: Objectives, structure and functioning, revision of the Charter. India's Contribution to United Nations. Regional and Sub-regional Organizations- SAARC, EU, ALBA, ASEAN, African Union, OPEC, BRICS, BIMSTEC, G-20.
- American Hegemony in Contemporary Global Order. Nuclear Proliferation and Disarmament, International Terrorism. Issue of Human Rights in International Politics.
- Political Economy of International Relations: From Brettonwoods to WTO, New International Economic Order, North-South Dialogue, South-South Co-operation, and Environmental issues.
- India's relations with USA, Russia, China and European Union: India and its Neighbours, 'Look East' Policy,
 India and West Asia, Central Asia, Africa, Latin America. Indian Diaspora, Neo-Liberal Mould of Indian
 Foreign Policy.