

**GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE
RAVULAPALEM
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE SYLLABUS

CBCS-2020-21



SEMESTER - II

Basic Organs of the Government

B.A	Semester: II	Credits: 4
Course: 2	Basic Organs Of The Government	Hrs/Wk: 5

UNIT I:

CONSTITUTION:

1. Meaning, Definition, Origin and Evolution of Constitution.
2. Classification of the Constitutions-Written and Unwritten; Rigid and Flexible.

UNIT II:

ORGANS OF THE GOVERNMENT:

1. Theory of Separation of Powers-B.D.Montesquieu.
2. Legislature-Unicameral and Bicameral-Power and Functions, Executive-Types,Powers and Functions. Judiciary-Powers and Functions.

UNIT III:

FORMS OF GOVERNMENT:

1. Unitary and Federal forms of Governments-Merits and Demerits.
2. Parliamentary and Presidential forms of Governments- Merits and Demerits.

UNIT IV:

DEMOCRACY:

1. Meaning, Definition, Significance, Theories and Principles of Democracy.
2. Types of Democracy: Direct and Indirect Democracy-Methods, Merits and Demerits-Essential Conditions for Success of Democracy.

UNIT V:

POLITICAL PARTIES, PRESSURE GROUPS AND PUBLIC OPINION:

1. Meaning, Definition and Classification of Political Parties: National and Regional-Functions of Political Parties.
2. Pressure Groups (Interest Groups)- Meaning, Definition, Types, Functions and Significance of Public Opinion.

REFERENCE BOOKS:

➤ SukhbirBhatnagar	:	<i>Constitutional Law and the Governance</i>
➤ A.C.Kapur	:	<i>Select Constitutions</i>
➤ R.C.Agarwal	:	<i>Political Theory</i>
➤ VidyaDhar Mahajan	:	<i>Political Theory (Principles of Political Science)</i>
➤ M.R.Biju	:	<i>Democratic Political Process</i>
➤ PeterRonald de Souja&E.Sreedharan (ed)	:	<i>Indian Political Parties</i>
➤ JadiMusalaiah, V.Vasundhara Devi &V.Bhogendracharyulu, Prof.V.RavindraSastry (ed)	:	<i>Political Science Concepts, Theories & Institutions</i>
➤ Laski. H.J.	:	<i>Grammar of Politics</i>
➤ A.Appadorai	:	<i>Substance of Politics</i>
➤ Eddy Ashirvadam&K.K.Misra	:	<i>Political Theory</i>
➤ SushilaRamaswamy	:	<i>Political Theory: Ideas & Concepts</i>
➤ S.P.Varma	:	<i>Modern Political Theory</i>

ANNEXURE

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

• All Co-curricular activities recommended at Course – I
• Study of the outline features of Constitutions of U.S.A, U.K., Australia, Canada, South Africa, China and Japan in comparison to the Constitution of India.
• Study projects on selected local real time problems.
• Field visits to government establishments.

