**SYLLABUS DISTRIBUTION**

**ACADEMIC SESSION-2024-25**

**ODD SEMESTER**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**MAHARANI KASISWARI COLLEGE**

**JULY-DEC.**

**SEMESTER: III HONOURS**

**Students are required to study three (3) papers in their III Semester under CCF, 2022 System**

**DSCC-3: Political Theory: Approaches and Debates**

**DSCC-4: Politics in India I: Structures**

**SEC-3: Legislative practices and Procedure**

**DSCC-3: Political Theory: Approaches and Debates**

**Module I:**

1. Normative; Legal‐Institutional; Empirical‐ Behavioural‐‐‐Systems Analysis; Structural Functionalism.  **AH2**

2. Liberalism; Social Welfarism; Neo‐Liberalism. **DS**

3. Postcolonial; Feminist. **DS**

**Module II: BB**

4. Marxian approach‐‐‐ Dialectical Materialism and Historical Materialism.

5. Key ideas: State (with Relative Autonomy); Class and Class Struggle; Surplus Value; Alienation.

6. Party‐‐‐ Democratic Centralism; Lenin‐Rosa Luxemburg debate; Revolution‐‐‐ Lenin and Mao. Hegemony and Civil Society: Gramsci.

**DSCC-4: Politics in India I: Structures**

**Module I:**

1. Politics in India: nature and trends. **AH1**

2. Party system: features and trends – major national political parties in India: ideologies and programmes. Rise of state‐centric political parties: Overview. Major political parties in West Bengal: ideologies and programmes.  **AH1**

3. Interest groups: role of business groups; working class, peasants. **NT**

**Module II: NT**

4. Election Commission: composition, functions, role. Electoral reforms.

5. Federal institutions: Inter‐governmental forums‐‐‐ Interstate Council, Zonal Councils: composition, function, role; Finance Commission.

6. Civil Service: evolution; role; Generalist versus Specialist debate; Neutrality issue.

**SEC-3: Legislative practices and Procedure**

Module I

1) Members of Parliament: Powers, Functions and Privileges. **BB**

2) Members of State legislative Assemblies: Powers and functions. **BB**

3) Rural and urban local self‐government: functionaries, functions and responsibilities. **AH2**

Module II

4) Conversion of bill to law‐‐ procedure, role of standing committees in reviewing a bill, legislative consultants, framing of rules and regulations. **BB**

5) Committees: Types, objectives and functions. **DS**

6) Role of committees in reviewing government finances, policy, programmes and legislation. **DS**