

# **Elective Course – 106 POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY**

## **Objectives :**

In modernised societies the political system has become one of the most dominant components of the total social structure, Accordingly, the major objectives of teaching this course are : To acquaint the students with the nature and functioning of political system(s), and the political processes. To generate in the minds of students an awareness of their status and role as citizens of the state. To make the students aware of the prerequisite of sound democratic political system and its vulnerability.

## **Course Outline :**

### **Unit - 1**

Definition, nature and subject matter and methodology of Political Sociology, distinctive approach of Political Sociology Interrelationship between political system and society . Sociological & Political relationship with other social Science,

### **Unit - 2**

Political Culture-meaning and significance. Political socialization - meaning, signification and its agencies.

### **Unit - 3**

Elite theories of distribution of power in society (with reference to Mosca, Pareto. R. Mitchies and C. W.Mills and others).

Indian Thinkers : Gandhi, Ambedkar, Nehru..

### **Unit - 4**

Bureaucracy, its characteristics, type, significance in political development with special reference to India.

Political Process in India : Role of caste, Religion, Regionalism and language in Indian Politics.

### **Unit - 5**

Political Parties : characteristics social composition of parties, recruitment, mass participation, political apathy, its causes and consequences (with special reference to Gujarat, Analysis of recent election result.)

### Recommended Books :

- Dowse, R. E. & Hughes 1971 - Political Sociology, New York, Basic Book.
- Horowitz, Irwing L. 1972 - Foundation of Political Sociology, New York, Harper and Row.
- Hisenstadi, S. N. (Ed.) 1971. Political Sociology, York Basic Book.
- Kornhauser, W. 1971. The Political and Mass Society, Penguin.
- Kothari, R. 1979, Politics in India. Orient Longmans Ltd.
- Merton R. K. 1952 (ed.) - Reader in bureaucracy. Gience the Free Press.
- Key V. O. 1964 - Politics, Parties and Pressure groups, Crowell, New York.
- Mills C. W. & Hans Gerth. 1946 - Essays in Sociology, Oxford, New York.
- Samuel P., Huntington, 1969 - Political Order i changing Socoieties. Yale University Press : New Haven,
- Almong A. Gabriel et. al. 1973, Crises, Choice and change : Historical Studies of Political development, Boston.
- P. Blau, 1956 - Bureaucracy in Moern Society, Random House, New York.
- Lipset S. M. 1959 - Political Parties, giencko Free Press.
- Benedict Anderson, 1983 - Imagined Comunities : Reffection on the Origin and spread of Nationalism, Beso, London.
- Dipti Kumar Biswas (1989) - Political Sociology, Firma KLM Private, Culcutta.
- Rajani, Kothari 1973 (ed.) - Caste in Indian Politics - Orient Longmans Ltd. 1973.
- Barrington Moore Jr., 1958 - Political Power and Social Theory. Cambridge, Harward University Press.
- Mitra, Subraha K. 1992 - Political Protest and participation Local Eids and the politics o development in India. Routledge.
- Marris, Jones, W. H. 1982 - Government and Politics in India. Cambridge.
- Jangam R. T. 1990 - Textbook of Political Sociology, Oxford and 1BH Publishing Company, New Delhi.
- गजेन्द्र शुक्ल – भारतीय जनता पार्टी – सेन्टर फ़ोर सोशयल स्टडीज  
युनिवर्सिटी ग्रंथ निमाएा बोर्ड, अमदावाढ  
दिनेश शुक्ल – अेम.अेन.रोयनो मानवतावाढ  
डरवन्स पोल, राजकीय समाजशास्त्र