



**Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya, Indore**  
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**Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in Light of NEP-2020**  
**Generic Elective Course (GEC)**  
**UG VI Semester - Political Science**

COURSE CODE	CATEGORY	COURSE NAME	TEACHING & EVALUATION SCHEME								
			THEORY			PRACTICAL		L	T	P	CREDITS
			END SEM University Exam	Two Term Exam	Teachers Assessment*	END SEM University Exam	Teachers Assessment*				
<b>GUPOLSC 602</b>	<b>General Elective</b>	<b>Issues in Indian Politics</b>	60	20	20	0	0	4	0	0	4

**Legends:** L - Lecture; T - Tutorial/Teacher Guided Student Activity; P – Practical; C - Credit.

\***Teacher Assessment** shall be based following components: Quiz/Assignment/ Project/Participation in Class, given that no component shall exceed more than 10 marks.

**Course Educational Objectives (CEOs): The student will be able to:**

- **CEO1** Understand the socio-economic factors shaping Indian politics, including caste, religion, and class, and their historical and contemporary significance.
- **CEO2** Develop the ability to analyze the evolution of the Indian party system, electoral politics, and the role of national and regional political parties in governance.
- **CEO3** Explore the theoretical and practical dimensions of secularism in India and critically assess the challenges posed by communalism and religious fundamentalism.
- **CEO4** Acquire in-depth knowledge about the key trends in Indian democracy, such as regionalism, communalism, corruption, and new social movements.
- **CEO5** Study about the socio-political conditions of marginalized sections, including Dalits, tribes, women, and children.

**Course Outcomes (COs): The students should be able to:**

- **CO1** Evaluate the socio-economic factors shaping Indian politics, including caste, religion, and class, and their historical and contemporary significance.
- **CO2** Recall the ability to analyze the evolution of the Indian party system, electoral politics, and the role of national and regional political parties in governance.
- **CO3** Explain the theoretical and practical dimensions of secularism in India and critically assess the challenges posed by communalism and religious fundamentalism.
- **CO4** Analyze the key trends in Indian democracy, such as regionalism, communalism, corruption, and new social movements.
- **CO5** Evaluate the socio-political conditions of marginalized sections, including Dalits, tribes, women, and children.

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**COURSE CONTENTS:**

**UNIT I:**

**Socio Economic factors in Indian Politics:** Caste, Religion & Class

**UNIT II**

**Party System and Electoral Politics Trends in the Party System:** One Party Dominant System to Multi-Party Coalitions National Political Parties, Regional Political Parties – An overview

**UNIT III:**

**Secularism:** Theory and Practice of Secularism in India Challenges to Secularism– Communalism, Religious fundamentalism,

**UNIT IV:**

**Trends in Indian Democracy:** Regionalism, Communalism, Religious Fundamentalism, Criminalization of Politics, Corruption, Linguistic and Ethnic issues, New Social movements

**UNIT V:**

**Marginalized Sections:** Dalits & Tribes, Women and Children

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**Suggested Readings:**

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