

FOUNDATION COURSE- I

Modules at a glance

1. Overview of Indian Society
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5. Significant Aspects of political aspects



SYLLABUS OBJECTIVES

- To understand pluralistic nature of Indian Society with reference to diversity.
- Social stratification on the basis of Caste, Class and Estate basis.
- Concept of inequality and Intergroup conflicts.
- Meaning of Preamble and composition of Indian Constitution.
- Understand the Types of political parties, Local self-government.



1 Overview of Indian Society

- Understand the multi-cultural diversity of Indian society through its demographic composition: population distribution according to religion, caste, and gender; Appreciate the concept of linguistic diversity in relation to the Indian situation; Understand regional variations according to rural, urban and tribal characteristics; Understanding the concept of diversity as difference

2 Concept of Disparity-1

- Understand the concept of disparity as arising out of stratification and inequality;
- Explore the disparities arising out of gender with special reference to violence against women, female foeticide (declining sex ratio), and portrayal of women in media; Appreciate the inequalities faced by people with disabilities and understand the issues of people with physical and mental disabilities

3 Concept of Disparity-2

- Examine inequalities manifested due to the caste system and inter-group conflicts arising thereof; Understand inter-group conflicts arising out of communalism; Examine the causes and effects of conflicts arising out of regionalism and linguistic differences



4 The Indian Constitution

- Philosophy of the Constitution as set out in the Preamble; The structure of the Constitution-the Preamble, Main Body and Schedules; Fundamental Duties of the Indian Citizen; tolerance, peace and communal harmony as crucial values in strengthening the social fabric of Indian society; Basic features of the Constitution

5 Significant Aspects of Political Processes

- The party system in Indian politics; Local self-government in urban and rural areas; the 73rd and 74th Amendments and their implications for inclusive politics; Role and significance of women in politics



SYLLABUS OUTCOMES

- Understood the demographic composition of India having regard to Language, Religion, and Gender etc.
- Understood stratified reasons as to differences and women problems.
- Understood the fundamental duties of Indian citizen specified in Indian Constitution.
- Understood hierarchy of local self-government and amendment to the same.