

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Major-3/Minor-3: STATE AND POLITICAL OBLIGATION

UNIT-I

1. Introduction - Political obligation meaning nature & characteristics.
 2. Kinds of political obligations.
 3. Obligations of the State under monarchy (ancient & medieval); according to individualism, socialism & welfare state
- * political obligations - of individuals citizens and other members of the state, to the state

UNIT- II

1. Law-meaning nature, sources, kinds; law and morality
2. Delegated legislation - (a special mention); meaning need for; growth of; advantages & limitations; safeguards.
3. A) liberty- meaning, importance, kinds.
B) Equality- meaning, importance, kinds.
C) Relations between liberty & Equality.
D) Justice - meaning & interpretation; kinds; ancient , medieval & modern interpretations.

UNIT-III

1. Approaches to Political Obligation
 - a) Individualism - background, statement, merits & limitations.
 - b) Utilitarianism background, statement, merits & limitations; a note on the contributions of Jeremy Bentham & J. S. Mill
 - c) Idealism - background, statement, merits & limitations; Kant Hegel and T. H. Green- a brief study.

UNIT-IV

1. Power- meaning, aspects, sources, kinds.
2. Authority meaning, power vs authority; Legitimization of power; limitations and conditions; kinds (Reference to Max Weber on kinds of domination)
3. Responsibility-
 - a) meaning, relationship with authority & kinds- personal, institutional & Professional.
 - b) accountability- (as an adjunct of responsibility) meaning, importance & kinds.

UNIT-V

1. Obedience to Law; legal duty; need for and importance; why do people obey law normally, reasons.
2. Problem of Punishment -
 - a) can the state use force against its citizens ? arguments for and limitations conditions to be observed.
 - b) kinds of punishment
 - c) Theories of punishment
3. can laws disobeyed? under what conditions ?
 - a) The problem of Civil disobedience meaning, features, conditions, and limitations (according to laws) civil disobedience to be contrasted with revolution.

b) a special reference to the Civil Disobedience Movement under Gandhiji- Sathya, Ahimsa & Satyagraha Influence of Thoreau. C) Neo - Gandhian Movement A Brief Reference to Martin Luther king (Sr.) U. S. A. and Nelson Mandela(South Africa)

READINGS

- 1) John Horton :Political obligation
- 2) Margret Gilbert :A theory of political obligation
- 3) M. Srinivas Rao :Political obligations
- 4) Agrawal R C :Political theory
- 5) Madan Gandhi :Modern political Analysis
- 6) Johari J. Ch : Contemporary political theory
- 7) Burton L :(chap 12) Civil disobedience liberty justice& Morals
- 8) Dubey S N :Political science theory (chapter 25 onwards)
- 9)Carole Pateman :The problem of political obligation.
- 10) Eddy Ashirvatham & Mishra :Political theory (relevant chapters)
- 11) Karl Lowenstein :Political power and government process
- 12) A recommended text book :On public administration.
- 13) RC Agarwal : Gokhale & A C Kapoor