BACHELOR OF ARTS

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (DSE): POLITICAL SCIENCE

SEMESTER – VI

(BAB33604T) INTERNATIONAL POLITICS: THEORY AND PRACTICE

MAX. MARKS: 100
EXTERNAL: 70
INTERNAL: 30
PASS: 40%
Credits: 6

Objective:

The aim of this course is to make the students to comprehend various theories and concepts of international politics.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/EXAMINER:

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2. The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B will have four questions each from the respective sections of the syllabus and will carry 10 marks each. The candidates will attempt two questions from each section.
3. Section C will have fifteen short answer questions covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 3 marks. Candidates will attempt any 10 questions from this section.
4. The examiner shall give a clear instruction to the candidates to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.
5. The duration of each paper will be three hours.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

Candidates are required to attempt any two questions each from the sections A, and B of the question paper, and any ten short answer questions from Section C. They have to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

SECTION – A

1. International Politics: Meaning, Nature and Scope and its Significance.
2. Theories to study International Politics: Idealism, Realism and Neo-Realism.
3. Dependency Theory: Meaning, Features, Views of A.G. Frank and Wallerstein
4. National Power: Meaning, Nature, Kinds, Determinants and its Limitations.
5. Management of Power: Balance of Power and Collective Security.

SECTION – B

1. Cold War and Post-Cold War Era in International Politics.
2. Disarmament and Arms Control.
3. Concept of Non-Alignment: Meaning, Basis, Role and its Relevance.

4. Non-State Actors: Meaning and Role of NGOs, INGOs and MNCs.
5. Emerging Trends in International Politics.

Recommended Readings:

1. H. Bull: The Anarchical Society: A Study of Order in World Politics, London, Macmillan 2002.
2. John Baylis and Steve Smith: The Globalisation of World Politics, OUP, Oxford, 2001.
3. A. Roberts: "The UN and International Security", Survival, Vol. 35, No. 1, Spring 1993.
4. A. Hurell: "Collective Security and International Order Revision", International Relations, Vol. II, No. 1, April 1992.
5. S.P. Verma: International System and the Third World, New Delhi, Vikas, 1988.
6. H.J. Morgenthau: Politics Among Nations: The Struggle for Power and Peace, 6th Edn., revised by K.W. Thompson, New York, Alfred Knopf, 1985.
7. S.H. Hoffman (ed.): Contemporary Theory in International Relations, Massachusetts, Addison Wesley, 1979.
8. N.D. Palmer and H. Perkins: International Relations, Calcutta Scientific Book Company, 1971.
9. J. Frankel: The Making of Foreign Policy, London, Oxford University Press, 1963.
10. E.H. Carr: Conditions of Peace, New York, The Macmillan Company, 1944.
11. E.H. Carr: The Twenty Year Crisis, London, Macmillan, 1939.