Syllabus:

(DFICT1) *Certificate/Diploma in Fundamentals of Indian Constitution*

The objective of this paper is to provide students with an understanding of the constitutional evolution of India from British rule to independence. The paper examines major constitutional reforms from 1773 to 1947, including the Government of India Acts, the Indian Independence Act, and the functioning of the Constituent Assembly. It also focuses on the constitution-making process and the contributions of key leaders and committees. Further, it aims to familiarize students with the basic features, principles, and values of the Indian Constitution that form the foundation of democratic governance in India.

Course Outcomes (COs):

On completion of this course, learners will be able to:

CO1: Understand the historical background and key events that led to the making of the Indian Constitution.

CO2: Explain the role of important leaders and committees involved in the constitution-making process.

CO3: Analyze the debates and discussions of the Constituent Assembly.

CO4: Describe the key features and sources of the Indian Constitution.

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.

DFICT1	**Paper I: Historical Development and Making of the Indian Constitution** **Section A** 1. Constitutional Development under British Rule (1773–1853) 2. Crown Rule and Constitutional Reforms (1858–1909) 3. Montagu-Chelmsford Reforms and the Government of India Act, 1919 4. Government of India Act, 1935 and the Road to Independence **Section B** 5. Indian Independence Act, 1947 6. Constituent Assembly: Composition and Working 7. Constitution Making Process 8. Basic Features of Indian Constitution	M.M - 100 Ext. - 70 Int. - 30 Pass -40%

Suggested Readings

1. M. Laxmikanth (2023). *Indian Polity*. New Delhi: McGraw Hill.
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5. Subhash C. Kashyap (2023). *Our Constitution: An Introduction to India's Constitution and Constitutional Law* (5th ed.). New Delhi: National Book Trust.
6. S. K. Choubey (2020). *The Making and Working of Indian Constitution*. New Delhi: National Book Trust.

7. Granville Austin (1966). *The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
8. Durga Das Basu (2018 ed.). *Commentary on the Constitution of India*. New Delhi: LexisNexis.
9. Rajeev Bhargava (ed.) (2008). *Politics and Ethics of the Indian Constitution*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
10. Zoya Hasan, E. Sridharan & R. Sudarshan (eds.) (2002). *India's Living Constitution*. New Delhi: Permanent Black.
11. Bidyut Chakrabarty & Rajendra Kumar Pandey (2017). *Indian Government and Politics*. New Delhi: Sage Publications.
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13. Subhash C. Kashyap (2015). *Our Parliament*. New Delhi: National Book Trust.