Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra

B.A. (General) Part-I, Political Science (Semester-Wise)

Scheme of Examination w.e.f. 2011-12

Option	Nomenclature	Class	Internal	External	Total	Time
			Assessment	Marks	Marks	
One Option may be chosen from the following Groups:-						
Option-I	Indian Constitution	Semester-I	20	80	100	3 Hrs
	Indian Politics	Semester-II	20	80	100	3 Hrs
Option-II	Principles of Political Science	Semester-I	20	80	100	3 Hrs
	Contemporary Political Science	Semester-II	20	80	100	3 Hrs

Syllabus and Courses of Reading w.e.f. 2011-12

Semester-I, Option-I: Indian Constitution

Max. Marks: 80 Time: 3 Hrs.

Note for the Paper-Setter

Total Nine Questions to be set, Selecting at least two questions from each unit and ninth question will be Objective Multiple Choice (2 marks each) covering the whole syllabi.

Note for the student

Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Unit-I Indian Constitution-Sources and Features, Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties and Directive Principles of State Policy.

Unit-II Union Executive - President, Vice-President, Prime Minister, Council of Ministers; State Executive-Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers.

Unit-III Union Legislature- Parliament-Composition and Functions; Speaker of Lok Sabha Amendment Process; State Legislature-Vidhan Sabha; Panchayati Raj Institutions-History, Basic Features and 73rd Amendment.

Unit-IV Judiciary-Supreme Court, High Courts, Judicial Review and Judicial Activism.

Note: Internal Assessment Max. Marks: 20

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