

**Directorate of Education**  
**Syllabus (Session: 2023-24)**  
**Class-12**  
**Subject- Political Science (028)**

Chapter No.	Course Content
	<b>PART-A: Contemporary World Politics</b>
	<b>Preparation of Project work.</b>
1.	<b>The End of Bipolarity</b> The Soviet System. Gorbachev and the disintegration. Causes and Consequences of disintegration of the Soviet Union. Shock Therapy and its Consequences. New entities in world politics-Russia, Balkan States, Central Asian States. India's relations with Russia and other post-communist countries.
2.	<b>Contemporary Centres of Power</b> European Union. Association of Southeast Asian Nations. Rise of China as an economic power. Japan and South Korea as emerging powers.
3.	<b>Contemporary South Asia</b> Military and Democracy in Pakistan and Bangladesh. Monarchy and Democracy in Nepal. Ethnic Conflict and Democracy in Sri Lanka. India-Pakistan Conflicts. India and its Neighbours. Peace and Cooperation.
4.	<b>International Organizations</b> Meaning and importance of International Organisations. Evolution of the UN. Structure and function of International Organisations. Principal Organs of the UN. Reform of the UN after the Cold War. Reform in Structures, Processes and Jurisdiction of the UN. India and the UN Reforms. Key Agencies: IMF, World Bank, WTO, ILO, IAEA. NGO: Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch. Implications and Future of International Organizations.
5.	<b>Security in the Contemporary World</b> Meaning and Type of Security. Traditional concept of security. Non-traditional notions of Security. New Sources of Threats. Cooperative Security. India's Security Strategy.
6.	<b>Environment and Natural Resources</b> Environmental Concerns. Global Commons. Common but differentiated Responsibilities. India's stand on Environmental Issues. Environmental Movements. Resource Geopolitics. Rights of Indigenous peoples.
7.	<b>Globalisation</b> Concept of globalisation. Causes and Consequences of globalisation. India and globalisation. Resistance to globalisation. India and resistance to globalisation.
	<b>PART B-Politics in India since Independence</b>
1.	<b>Challenges of Nation-Building</b> Challenges for the new Nation-Three Challenges. Partition: Displacement and Rehabilitation-Consequences of Partition. Integration of Princely States-The problem, Government's approach, Hyderabad, Manipur. Reorganisation of States.

2.	<p><b>Era of One-Party Dominance</b> Challenges of building democracy. Congress dominance in the first three general elections-Nature of Congress dominance, Congress as social and ideological coalition, Tolerance and management of Factions. Emergence of opposition parties.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Practice of Competency Focused Questions in the form of MCQs/Case Based Questions, Source-based Integrated Questions and Map based Questions (wherever Map based activity mentioned in cbse syllabus) are desirable from all the chapters.</li> <li>● Completion of the Mid-Term syllabus by <b>15th September 2023</b>.</li> <li>● Revision</li> <li>● Mid-Term Examination.</li> <li>● Discussion of Mid-Term question paper.</li> </ul>
3.	<p><b>Politics of Planned Development</b> Political contestation-Ideas of Development, Planning, Planning Commission. The Early Initiatives-The First Five Year Plan, Rapid Industrialisation.</p>
4.	<p><b>India's External Relations</b> International Context. The Policy of Non-Alignment- Nehru's role, Distance from two camps, Afro-Asian Unity. Peace and conflict with China- The Chinese Invasion 1962, War and Peace with Pakistan, Bangladesh War 1971. India's Nuclear Policy.</p>
5.	<p><b>Challenges to and Restoration of the Congress System</b> Challenge of Political Succession- From Nehru to Shastri, From Shastri to Indira Gandhi. Fourth General Election 1967- Context of the Election, Non-Congressism, Electoral Verdict, Coalitions, Defections. Split in the Congress- Indira vs the Syndicate, Presidential Election 1969. The 1971 Election and Restoration of Congress- The outcome and after Restoration.</p>
6.	<p><b>The Crisis of Democratic Order</b> Background to Emergency-Economic Context, Gujarat and Bihar Movements, Conflict with Judiciary. Declaration of Emergency-Crisis and response, Consequences. Lessons of the Emergency. Politics after Emergency-Lok Sabha Elections 1977, Janata Government, Legacy.</p>
7.	<p><b>Regional Aspirations</b> Region and the Nation-Indian Approach, Areas of Tension, Jammu and Kashmir, Roots of the Problem, External and Internal disputes, Politics since 1948, Insurgency and after, 2022 and Beyond. Punjab-Political Context, Cycle of Violence, Road to Peace. The Northeast-Demand for autonomy, Secessionist Movements, Movements against outsiders, Assam and National Integration.</p>
8.	<p><b>Recent Developments in Indian Politics</b> Context of 1990s, Era of Coalition-Alliance Politics. Political rise of the Backward Classes-Mandal Implemented, Political Fallouts. Communalism, Secularism and Democracy-Ayodhya Dispute, Demolition and after. Emergence of New Consensus, Lok Sabha Elections 2004, Growing Consensus.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Practice of Competency Focused Questions in the form of MCQs/Case Based Questions, Source-based Integrated Questions and Map based Questions are desirable from all the chapters.</li> <li>● Completion of the Annual syllabus by <b>15th December 2023</b>.</li> <li>● Preparation of Project work and viva voce for evaluation.</li> <li>● Revision</li> <li>● Preparation for the Pre-Board Examination.</li> <li>● Discussion of Pre-Board question Paper.</li> <li>● Preparation for the Annual Board Examination.</li> </ul>

**Prescribed Books:**

1. Contemporary World Politics Class XII, Published by NCERT
2. Politics in India since Independence, Class XII, Published by NCERT.
3. Added Reference Material available on CBSE website.

**Note:**

- The additional reference material is for classroom transactions and will not be assessed in the Board examination.
- For more information click on the following link or scan the QR code.

[https://cbseacademic.nic.in/web\\_material/CurriculumMain24/SrSec/PoliticalScience\\_SrSec\\_2023-24.pdf](https://cbseacademic.nic.in/web_material/CurriculumMain24/SrSec/PoliticalScience_SrSec_2023-24.pdf)



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<https://ncert.nic.in/textbook.php?leps2=ps-8>