ST.JOSEPH’S COLLEGE FOR WOMEN(AUTONOMUS) VISAKHAPATNAM

I SEMESTER **POLITICAL SCIENCE.** TIME:7HOURS/WEEK

POL 1503 (4) **BASIC CONCEPTS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE** Max.Marks:100.

w.e.f. 20-21 admitted batch-“20AH” **SYLLABUS**

**OBJECTIVES:** To enable the students

* To become aware of the basic concepts and the scope of the subject
* Develop a clear cut Political Orientation and Political Awareness
* Understand the subject and utilize it and change them into responsible and committed citizens

**UNIT – I:**

1. What is politics: Meaning, Nature and scope of Political Science
2. Terminology-Political Theory, Political Thought, Politics & Political Science
3. Approaches to thestudy of politics: Normative, Historical, Empirical Traditions
4. Relation with other Social Sciences – History, Economics, Sociology,Public Administration.

**UNIT – II: WHAT IS STATE?**

1. Origin and Evolution of the Modern State – Divine Origin Theory, Social Contract Theory, Historical or Evolution Theory
2. State and it’s elements –Differences between State and Government – Society- Association
3. Concept of welfare State

**UNIT – III: POLITICAL IDIOLOGIES**

1. Liberalism, Individualism,Elements of Nationalism, Conceptual distinction between Nationality and Nation
2. Socialism, Marxism and Culturalism

**UNIT – IV: RIGHTS AND CITIZENSHIP**

1. Evolution of Rights: Civil, Political & Fundamental rights –responsibilities
2. Citizenship:Universal &Differential citizenship

**UNIT – V: FREEDOM (LIBERTY), EQUALITY, JUSTICE**

1. Freedom: Negative and Positive Freedom
2. Equality. : Formal Equality, Equality of Opportunity, equality of out come
3. Law: Meaning, Kinds, Sources of law, relation between law and liberty
4. Justice” based on needs,deserts and Rights

**REFERENCE BOOK:**

(1).Bhargava Rajeev and Acharya Ashok (Eds) (2008) Political Theory: An Introduction Pearson,New Delhi.

(2).BellamyR (1993)(Ed)Theories and concepts of Politics, Manchester University press,New York.

(3). Vincent A(2004) The nature of political theory, Oxford University press, Newyork.

(4) Modern political theory: prof P.G. Das- published by new central Agency, Delhi (1996)

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