MAHANA PRATAP P.G COLLEGE JUNGLE DHUSAN GORKHPUR LESSION PLAN SESSION 2024-25

CLASS: B.A. 4th SEMESTER

SUBJECT: COURSE CODE: COURSE TITLE: ANCIENT
POLITICAL POL 203 AND MEDIEVAL WESTERN
SCIENCE CREDIT: 3+0 POLITICAL THOUGHT

Unit 1: Ancient Thought in the West: Pre-Socratic Thought, Epicureans, Stoics (4 Lectures)

DATE	E NO.	NAME	TITLE	
		MR.HARIKESH	Introduction to Pre-Socratic	
16-Jan-25	1	YADAV	Thought: Historical context and	
		MR.HARIKESH	Major Pre-Socratic thinkers: Thales,	
17-Jan-25	2	YADAV	Heraclitus, and Pythagoras.	
		MR.HARIKESH	Epicureanism: Philosophy of	
18-Jan-25	3	YADAV	Epicurus, the concept of pleasure,	
		MR.HARIKESH		
20-Jan-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)	
		MR.HARIKESH	Stoicism: Key principles, the role of	
21-Jan-25	4	YADAV	reason, and prominent figures like	
	Unit 2: Plato and Aristotle (7 Lectures)			
		MR.HARIKESH	Plato's philosophy: Theory of	
22-Jan-25	5	YADAV	Forms and the allegory of the cave.	
		MR.HARIKESH	Plato's views on politics: Ideal state	
23-Jan-25	6	YADAV	and justice.	
		MR.HARIKESH	Idea of philoshopher king and	
24-Jan-25	7	YADAV	communism	
		MR.HARIKESH	Aristotle's philosophy: The concept	
25-Jan-25	8	YADAV	of substance and the four causes.	
		MR.HARIKESH		
27-Jan-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)	
		MR.HARIKESH	Aristotle's political thought:	
28-Jan-25	9	YADAV	Classification of governments and	

		MR.HARIKESH	Comparative analysis of Plato and
29-Jan-25	10	YADAV	Aristotle: Philosophical and
		MR.HARIKESH	Discussion and Q&A on Plato and
30-Jan-25	11	YADAV	Aristotle's influence on Western
Medieval			
Thought in			
		MR.HARIKESH	Cicero's philosophy: Natural law
31-Jan-25	12	YADAV	and the concept of justice.
		MR.HARIKESH	St. Augustine's philosophy: The
1-Feb-25	13	YADAV	relationship between faith and
		MR.HARIKESH	
4-Feb-25		YADAV	MONTHLY EVALUATION
		MR.HARIKESH	Thomas Aquinas: Synthesis of faith
5-Feb-25	14	YADAV	and reason, natural theology
		MR.HARIKESH	Key debates in medieval
6-Feb-25	15	YADAV	philosophy: Scholasticism and its
Renaissanc			
e and the			
		MR.HARIKESH	Introduction to the Renaissance:
7-Feb-25	16	YADAV	Intellectual revival and humanism
		MR.HARIKESH	The Church-State Controversy:
8-Feb-25	17	YADAV	Historical background and main
		MR.HARIKESH	Impact of the Renaissance and the
10-Feb-25	18	YADAV	Church-State controversy on
		MR.HARIKESH	
11-Feb-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)
COURSE			
CODE:			
Unit 1:			
Modern			
		MR.HARIKESH	Introduction to Modern Political
13-Feb-25	19	YADAV	Thought: Key themes and historical
		MR.HARIKESH	Machiavelli's political philosophy:
14-Feb-25	20	YADAV	The Prince and realism in politics.

		MR.HARIKESH	John Austin: Concept of legal
15-Feb-25	21	YADAV	positivism and theory of
		MR.HARIKESH	Jean Bodin: The theory of
17-Feb-25	22	YADAV	sovereignty and its impact on
		MR.HARIKESH	Comparative analysis of
18-Feb-25	23	YADAV	Machiavelli, Austin, and Bodin on
		MR.HARIKESH	
19-Feb-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)
		MR.HARIKESH	
20-Feb-25	24	YADAV	Discussion and Q&A on Unit 1.
Unit 2:			
Social			
		MR.HARIKESH	Introduction to the social contract
21-Feb-25	25	YADAV	theory: Historical context and
		MR.HARIKESH	Thomas Hobbes: State of nature,
22-Feb-25	26	YADAV	social contract, and Leviathan.
		MR.HARIKESH	Critique of Hobbes' theory:
24-Feb-25	27	YADAV	Authoritarianism and implications.
		MR.HARIKESH	John Locke: State of nature, natural
25-Feb-25	28	YADAV	rights, and the limited government.
		MR.HARIKESH	
27-Feb-25		YADAV	MONTHLY EVALUATION
		MR.HARIKESH	Locke's contributions to liberalism
28-Feb-25	29	YADAV	and property rights.
		MR.HARIKESH	Rousseau: General will, social
1-Mar-25	30	YADAV	contract, and the concept of
		MR.HARIKESH	Critique of Rousseau's theory:
3-Mar-25	31	YADAV	Impact on democracy and
		MR.HARIKESH	Comparative analysis of Hobbes,
4-Mar-25	32	YADAV	Locke, and Rousseau on the social
		MR.HARIKESH	Relevance of social contract
5-Mar-25	33	YADAV	theories in modern political
		MR.HARIKESH	
6-Mar-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)

		MR.HARIKESH	
7-Mar-25	34	YADAV	Discussion and Q&A on Unit 2.
Unit 3:			
Enlighten			
		MR.HARIKESH	Immanuel Kant: Moral philosophy,
8-Mar-25	35	YADAV	perpetual peace, and critique of
		MR.HARIKESH	Edmund Burke: Conservatism,
10-Mar-25	36	YADAV	critique of the French Revolution.
		MR.HARIKESH	Jeremy Bentham: Utilitarianism
11-Mar-25	37	YADAV	and the principle of utility.
		MR.HARIKESH	J.S. Mill: Utilitarianism, liberty, and
17-Mar-25	38	YADAV	individualism.
		MR.HARIKESH	
18-Mar-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)
		MR.HARIKESH	Mill's contribution to feminism and
19-Mar-25	39	YADAV	representative government.
		MR.HARIKESH	Harold Laski: The theory of
20-Mar-25	40	YADAV	pluralism and critique of
		MR.HARIKESH	Comparative analysis of Kant,
21-Mar-25	41	YADAV	Burke, Bentham, Mill, and Laski.
		MR.HARIKESH	Relevance of Enlightenment and
22-Mar-25	42	YADAV	Liberalism in modern politics
		MR.HARIKESH	Critique of liberalism: Limitations
1-Apr-25	43	YADAV	and challenges.
		MR.HARIKESH	
2-Apr-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)
		MR.HARIKESH	
3-Apr-25	44	YADAV	Revision and discussion on Unit 3.
Unit 4:			
T.H.			
		MR.HARIKESH	T.H. Green: Positive liberty, ethical
4-Apr-25	45	YADAV	idealism, and critique of classical
		MR.HARIKESH	G.W.F. Hegel: Dialectics, state as
5-Apr-25	46	YADAV	the march of God, and critique of

		MR.HARIKESH	Karl Marx: Historical materialism
7-Apr-25	47	YADAV	and critique of capitalism.
		MR.HARIKESH	Marx's theory of surplus value and
8-Apr-25	48	YADAV	class struggle.
		MR.HARIKESH	
9-Apr-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)
		MR.HARIKESH	Marx's concept of revolution and
11-Apr-25	49	YADAV	dictatorship of the proletariat.
		MR.HARIKESH	Comparative analysis of Green,
12-Apr-25	50	YADAV	Hegel, and Marx on state and
		MR.HARIKESH	Relevance of Marxism and idealism
15-Apr-25	51	YADAV	in contemporary political thought.
		MR.HARIKESH	
16-Apr-25	52	YADAV	Discussion and Q&A on Unit 4.
Unit 5:			
Mary			
		MR.HARIKESH	Mary Wollstonecraft: Early feminist
17-Apr-25	53	YADAV	thought and critique of patriarchy.
		MR.HARIKESH	
19-Apr-25		YADAV	CLASS TEACHING(MINOR)
		MR.HARIKESH	Simone de Beauvoir: Existential
21-Apr-25	54	YADAV	feminism and The Second Sex.
		MR.HARIKESH	Rosa Luxemburg: Revolutionary
22-Apr-25	55	YADAV	socialism and critique of Marxism-
		MR.HARIKESH	Comparative analysis of
23-Apr-25	56	YADAV	Wollstonecraft, de Beauvoir, and
		MR.HARIKESH	Feminist contributions to modern
24-Apr-25	57	YADAV	political thought.
		MR.HARIKESH	
25-Apr-25	58	YADAV	Discussion and Q&A on Unit 5.
Unit 6:			
John			
		MR.HARIKESH	
26-Apr-25		YADAV	MONTHLY EVALUATION

		MR.HARIKESH	John Rawls: Theory of justice and
28-Apr-25	59	YADAV	political liberalism.
		MR.HARIKESH	Michael Oakeshott: Conservatism
29-Apr-25	60	YADAV	and critique of rationalism in
		MR.HARIKESH	Hannah Arendt: Totalitarianism,
30-Apr-25	61	YADAV	human condition, and political