**B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**FIRST YEAR**

**SECOND SEMESTER**

**(Under CBCS w.e.f 2020-21)**

**Course-2: BASIC ORGANS OF THE GOVERNMENT**

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| **UNIT-I :** | **CONSTITUTION** |
| 1. Meaning, Definition, Origin and Evolution of Constitution. |
| 2. Classification of the Constitutions-Written and Unwritten; Rigid and  Flexible. |

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| **UNIT-II :** | **ORGANS OF THE GOVERNMENT** |
| 1. Theory of Separation of Powers-B.D.Montesquieu. |
| 2. Legislature-Unicameral and Bicameral-Power and Functions, Executive-Types,Powers and Functions.  Judiciary-Powers and Functions. |

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| **UNIT-III :** | **FORMS OF GOVERNMENT** |
| 1. Unitary and Federal forms of Governments-Merits and Demerits. |
| 2. Parliamentary and Presidential forms of Governments- Merits and  Demerits. |

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| **UNIT-IV :** | **DEMOCRACY** |
| 1. Meaning, Definition, Significance, Theories and Principles of  Democracy. |
| 2. Types of Democracy: Direct and Indirect Democracy-Methods,  Merits and Demerits-Essential Conditions for Success of Democracy. |

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| **UNIT-V :** | **POLITICAL PARTIES, PRESSURE GROUPS AND PUBLIC**  **OPINION** |
| 1. Meaning, Definition and Classification of Political Parties: National  and Regional-Functions of Political Parties. |
| 2. Pressure Groups (Interest Groups)- Meaning, Definition, Types,  Functions and Significance of Public Opinion. |

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