

Mangalore University



Departments of Political Science

PSS 555: POLITICS IN KARNATAKA

Course Objectives:

1. To develop the interest among students in State Politics
2. To introduce students to the political reality of Karnataka
3. To enable students to reflect upon the socio- political composition of State politics
4. To develop among students critical and informed views about State Politics

Course outcomes: The course will enable students to –

1. Engage and reflect on State Politics
2. Effectively deal with issues concerning state and to offer solutions with insights
3. Understand the overall political situation in the state and the assess the policies of the government in proper perspective
4. Effectively bring out the nexus between and extent of the impact of socio-political issues

BLOCK I: Introduction

Unit 1 Nature and importance of the study of state politics

Unit 2 State Politics in India – A Conceptual framework

Unit 3 British rule and the regions of present Karnataka- A historical perspective

Unit 4 Freedom movement in Karnataka

BLOCK II: Trends in Karnataka politics

Unit 5 Unification movement, Liberation of Hyderabad-Karnataka

Unit 6 Formation of Karnataka – Background and issues; Idea of Karnataka

Unit 7 Governments in Karnataka – Distinctive contribution with special reference to Land reforms, Decentralisation, Development and Social justice

Unit 8 Coalition experiments in Karnataka – An evaluation

BLOCK III Political Process in Karnataka

Unit 9 Political parties - Nature, Representation and leadership pattern; Voting behaviour

Unit 10 Decentralization in Karnataka – Nature, issues and an assessment

Unit 11 Governance and transparency in Politics – Issues, institutions and Impact

Unit 12 Development, regional disparity and the politics of regions

BLOCK IV State - society interface in Karnataka - Trends and Issues

Unit 13 Politics, Caste and Religion; Reservation in Karnataka

Unit 14 Intra-state and inter-state river water disputes with special reference to Kaveri, Mahanadi and Yettinahole project

Unit 15 Karnataka Politics - Dalits, Backward Classes and Farmers

Unit 16 Major issues and concerns – Democracy, Development and equity, federalism; Politics of language and identity

Essential Readings

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