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1. Salient Features of the Indian Constitution-Preamble- Union and its Territories

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- 2. The 'Doctrine of Basic Structure of the Constitution' with reference to Judicial

Interpretations and Socio-Political Realities.

UNIT-III-UNION EXECUTIVE

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Prime Minister and Council of Ministers-Powers and Functions, Role in

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- 1. Supreme Court-Composition and Appointments, Powers and Functions or Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, Judicial Review, Judicial Activism.
- 2. High Court-Composition, Powers and Functions, Debates on the mode of appointment of Judges-National Judicial Appointments Commission and Judicial Reforms

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- 2. Emerging Trends in Centre-State Relations-Restructuring CentreState Relations-Recommendations of Sarkaria Commission, M.M.Punchi Commission

UNIT-II : ELECTORAL PROCESSES

1. The Election Commission of India, Powers and Functions.

2. Issues of Electoral Reforms, Voting Behaviour-Determinants and 15 Problems of Defections.

UNIT-III : GROSSROOT DEMOCRACY-DECENTRALISATION

1. Panchayat Raj system-Local and Urban Governments-Structure, Powers and Functions.

2. Democratic Decentralization-Rural Development and Poverty alleviation with reference to 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts, Challenges and Prospects.

UNIT-IV : SOCIAL DYNAMICS AND EMERGING CHALLENGES TO INDIAN POLITICAL SYSTEM

1. Role of Caste, Religion, Language and Regionalism in India.

2. Politics of Reservation, Criminalization of Politics and Internal threats to Security.

UNIT-V : REGULATORY AND GOVERNANCE INSTITUTIONS

1. NITI Ayog, Finance Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

2. Central Vigilance Commission, Central Information Commission, Lokpal and Lokayukta

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2. Aristotle-Theory of State-Classification of Governments-Citizenship, Slavery and Theory of Revolutions.

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1. St.Augustine-Theory of Two Cities.

2. NiccoloMachiavelli-State and Statecraft.

UNIT-III : CONTRACTUAL POLITICAL THOUGHT

1. Thomas Hobbes- Social Contract and Absolute Sovereignty.

2. John Locke- Human Nature, State of Nature, Social Contract, Natural Rights and Limited Government

3. Jean Jacques Rousseau- Human Nature, State of Nature, Social Contract, General Will and Popular Sovereignty

UNIT-IV : UTILITARIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

1. Jermy Bentham-Theory of Utility, Law and Reforms.

2. J.S.Mill-Theory of Liberty and Representative Government.

UNIT-V : MARXIST POLITICAL THOUGHT

1. Karl Marx-Dialectical Materialism, Theory of Surplus Value and Class Struggle.

2. Antonio Gramsci-Hegemony and Civil Society.