

St. Josephs college for women (A) Visakhapatnam.

B.A. Political Science

II Semester, Political Institutions Time : 7 Hrs/Week

POL 2501(4) (Concepts, Theories and Institutions.) Max Marks: 100

W.e.f.2017-2020("17AE")

OBJECTIVES: To enable the student

- To be aware of the political Concepts, terms and the scope of the subject
- Have a clear –cut political orientation on various types of government and their function
- Acquire political awareness.

Unit - I

1. Constitution : meaning, definition and kinds - Qualities of a good constitution
2. The purpose of constitutional law.

Unit- II

1. Theory of separation of powers
2. Organs of the government – legislature- Executive – Judiciary - its kinds- importance
3. Structural forms of the modern state : Basic features of Parliamentary and Presidential forms of Government.

Unit- III Territorial Divisions of Authority of the modern state

1. Basic features of Federal form of Government
2. Basic features of unitary form of Government.

Unit – IV Institutional forms of the Modern state

1. Democracy : Basic features of classical and modern representative democracy – direct and Indirect – Conditions for the successful working of Indirect democracy.

Unit- V

1. Political parties : meaning, functions, Merits, and Demerits.
2. Process of election : meaning, constituencies types- Different methods of representation

References:

1. Modern political Theory – prof. P.G. Das (1996) New Central Book Agency.
2. Unified Course in political Science – V.P.Joshi
3. Political Science theory and Governmental Machinery – B.K.Gokhale – Himalaya publishing house, 199. Delhi.