Unit I: Central Concepts of Political Science

State: Meaning & Characteristics
Theories of the Nature of State: Organic Greek Theory, Divine Theory, & Social Contract Theory
Democracy: Meaning & Characteristics
Typology of Democracy: Elitist Theory of Democracy Versus Participatory models of Democracy

Unit II: Dominant Ideologies

Liberalism: Nature & Strands
Marxism: Historical Materialism, Class Struggle, Alienation, Dictatorship of the Proletariat, Communism
Multiculturalism: Core Themes & Trends

Unit III: Indian Constitution


Basic Readings

1. O.P. Gauba, An Introduction to Political Theory, Macmillan (latest edition)
2. Andrew Heywood, Political Theory, Palgrave (latest edition)
3. Andrew Heywood, Political Ideologies, Palgrave (latest edition)
4. Will Kymlicka, Contemporary Political Philosophy, OUP (latest edition)