Course Structure
IS 404 “Indian Political System”

Course Contents
1. The Multiple Legacies of History; Nationalism, Left Politics, and Partition The Constituent Assembly; The Indian Constitution: A Political Choice
2. The Framework: Constitutionalism, Fundamental rights, and Institutions of Governance
3. Indian Federalism; The Nature of Federalism in India
4. Regionalism in Indian Politics
5. The Political System in India could you elaborate on this, is it just parliamentary government or more
6. Parties and Political Tendencies; The Rise and decline of the Congress Party System; Coalition Politics
8. Caste: The Importance of Caste in Indian Politics; The Rise of Caste Based Parties; Reservations and Caste
9. Rise of Social Movements: Trade Unions, Farmers Movements, Women’s Movements; New Social Movements -environmental and civil liberty movements
10. The Mixed Economy Model to Globalization
11. Periodisation of Indian Politics: From the Congress Party System to Coalitional Politics at the Centre

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Mode of Evaluation
Mid Semester Examinations (2) (50% of the total marks)
End Semester Examination (50% of the total marks)
Selected Readings


Further readings and articles are given in the classroom after every lecture