

SEMESTER 1st
MAJOR COURSE

PAD122J: PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION_INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

(CREDITS: THEORY: 04; TUTORIALS: 02)

Course Description: *The course is introductory in nature and shall help students to understand the basic concepts in Public Administration. It will acquaint the learners with the conceptual understanding clarity and sharpen their path towards the more advanced theoretical debates in Administrative Theory and Administrative Thought. Furthermore, the Field- work/Internship offers an opportunity to understand the working and nature of public processes, functions and governance models:*

Learning Outcome:

1. To introduce students to basic conceptual and terminological categories in Public Administration
2. To make them familiar with the advanced theoretical debate in Administrative Theory & Practice
3. To relate concepts to daily experiences of people with their administrative system
4. To bridge gap between theory and practice of Public Administration
5. To enhance skill and job potential of students.

THEORY (04 CREDITS)

UNIT I

- 1.1 Understanding Public Administration
- 1.2 Public versus Private Administration: Comparison
- 1.3 Relationship of Public Administration with other Social Sciences
- 1.4 New Public Management

UNIT II

- 2.1 Principles of Organization: POSDCORB Model
- 2.2 Conceptual understanding of: Hierarchy, Span of Control and Unity of Command
- 2.3 Governance: SMART Governance
- 2.4 E-Governance: Challenges and Prospects

UNIT III Theories of Administration:

- 3.1 Bureaucratic Theory (Weber)
- 3.2 Scientific Management Theory (Taylor)
- 3.3 Human Relations Theory (Mayo)
- 3.4 Decision Making Theory (Simon)

UNIT IV

- 4.1 Decentralization vs Centralization
- 4.2 *Democratic* Decentralization and Local Self Government: Significance
- 4.3 Debate on Decentralization and Development: Top-down or Bottom Top
- 4.4 Peoples' Participation in Development Process

TUTORIALS: 2 CREDITS (FIELD STUDY)

- 5.1 Governance at Local Levels (Panchayat/Municipality) a. Working of Local-self Government (Field Study Report) b. Internship with Local Body Representatives
- 5.2 Reservation and Empowerment

a. Impact of Women's Participation on Gender Empowerment in Panchyats and Municipalities

SUGGESTED READINGS:

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