

**5117 B**  
**M.A. (Final) Geography**  
**Paper – III B: Political Geography**

Unit – I

- a) Nature, scope and subject matter of political geography.
- b) Geopolitics: meaning and contributions of Emmanuel Kant, Karl Ritter, Friedrich Ratzel, H.V. Tritschke, Rudolf Kjellen and Karl Haushofer.
- c) Development of political geography. Concepts and contributions of:
- d) Alfred Thayer Mahan, H.J. Mackinder and Alexander-de-Seversky.
- e) D.W. Meinig, N.J. Spykman and Hooson.

Unit - II

- a) Recent trends in political geography.
- b) The functional approach in political geography.
- c) The unified field theory of political geography.
- d) Nature of administrative areas.
- e) Geography of public policy and finance.

Unit – III

- a) Concept of nation, state and nation state.
- b) The state as a politico-geographical region: location, shape, size.
- c) Resources of state: natural, cultural and human.
- d) Population: growth, quality and problems.
- e) Frontiers and boundaries: types and functions, boundary making and boundary problems.

Unit - IV

- a) Core areas and capitals.
- b) Unitary and federal states.
- c) The impress of government on landscape.
- d) Politics of world resources.
- e) Politics of globalization and WTO.

Unit – V

- a) Electoral studies in political geography.
- b) Conceptual model of voting decision.
- c) Gerrymandering: gerrymandering in relation to India.
- d) Geographical influence on voting behaviour of the electors in India.
- e) Spatial pattern of voting behaviour in Rajasthan.

## Suggested Readings:

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