# **Departmental Report**

# DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24

# **Preliminary information**

Department profile Faculty: names, designation, years of experience

## **Department of Political Science**

Head of Department: Dr.PAUL ROZARIO, MA. M.Phil., PhD, Associate Professor,

26 years teaching experience

Faculty of Department: MS. SHAHANAZ SHAIKH, MA. M.Phil., Assistant Professor,

16 years teaching experience

Total number of students: UG: 52+98+52= 202

## II Courses/Papers taught

Class Sem	Paper N	o. Course Title	Course Cre	edits Course Codes
FYBA 1	I	Principles and Concepts Of		
		Political Theory	3	SBA POL 101
FYBA 2	I	Political Values And Ideologies	3	SBA POL 201
SYBA 3	II	Indian Political System:		
		The Constitutional Framework	3	SBA POL 301
SYBA 3	III	Public Administration	3	SBA POL 302
SYBA 3	I	Gandhism In Its Present Context –	I	
		(Applied Component)	3	SBA APC 301
SYBA 4	II	Indian Political System:		
		Indian Political Process	3	SBA POL 401
SYBA 4	III	Indian Administration	3	SBA POL 402
SYBA 4	II	Gandhism In Its Present Context –	I	
		(Applied Component)	3	SBA APC 401
TYBA 5	IV	Politics of Modern Maharashtra	4	SBA POL 501
TYBA 5	V	Western Political Thinkers	4	SBA POL 502
TYBA 5	IV	(Applied Component) Politics of Modern Maharashtra	3 4	SBA POL 501

TYBA 5	VI	World Politics	3.5	SBA POL.503
TYBA 6	IV	Determinants of Politics of Maharashtra	4	SBA POL 601
TYBA 6	V	Indian Political Thinkers	4	SBA POL 602
TYBA 6	VI	Indian Foreign Policy	3.5	SBA POL 603
FYBA	IKS 1	Kautilya's Arthashastra	2	
FYBA	IKS 2	Idea of Bharat	2	

#### **III BOS composition**

### Members of the BOARD OF STUDIES (Political Science)

Chairperson of the Board of Studies (Head of Department):

Dr. Paul Rozario

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The entire faculty of each specialisation:

- 1. Dr. Paul Rozario
- 2. Ms. S.Shaikh

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One expert to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, from a panel of six persons, recommended by the College Principal:

Dr. Prashant Kelkar

Head, Department of Political Science,

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Two experts in the subject from outside the parent university, to be nominated by the Academic Council:

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Experts from outside the College whenever special courses of studies are to be formulated (If desired):

1. Dr. Kannamma Raman,

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Experts from outside the College whenever special courses of studies are to be formulated (If desired):

1. Dr. B. Venkatesh Kumar

Chairman, Centre for Public Policy & Governance,

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Co -Founder & Head, Strategy & Innovation, MinersINC.,

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One Representative from Industry / Corporate Sector / Allied Area, relating to Placement:

1. Ms. Harini Calamur,

Co-Founder, Institute of Integrated Digital Journalism & Mass Communication, Mumbai.

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One postgraduate meritorious alumna to be nominated by the Principal.

The Chairman, Board of Studies, may, with the College Principal approval, co-opt:

1. Ms. Antara Desai,

Senior Research Fellow and Editor.

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Other members of staff of the same faculty

#### **IV Dates of BOS meetings**

SEMESTER I - 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023

SEMESTER II - 25th April 2024

#### **ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT:**

1. Title of the activity/event: Talk on "Scope of Political Science"

Date: 31st January 2024

Number of staff members involved: 2

Guest/Speaker: Dr. M Z Shahid

The Political Science Department (B.A) of Sophia College Autonomous, Mumbai organized a talk for the students and faculty from the various departments of the institution on 31st January 2023 in Room 3 at 8 in the morning. The talk was about 'Scope of Political Science' started on time. Ms. Vaishnavi Nair , member of the Department also attended the talk.



The guest speaker for the one hour session was Dr. M Z Shahid - currently serving as the Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Political Science in Maharashtra College of Arts, Science and Commerce. Tiya George, the TYBA Class Representative, addressed the group and introduced the esteemed guest speaker after which the talk began.

Dr. Shahid conducted a resourceful session that mainly focused on Scope of Political Science and how it is related to different fields of life etc. He explained the concepts through various examples which made it interesting and easier to understand. The session was very interactive and inclusive allowing everyone to engage with the guest speaker. Many questions were asked by the attendees and answered by Dr. Shahid, leaving the students with an imprint of his great experience in the subject. He guided and motivated the students to take Political Science for further studies.. An insightful discussion on career

opportunities was followed. Various Sources of Law and Concept of Power were also elaborated upon.



To conclude, Chahat Mehrotra, student of SYBA Political Science class, profusely thanked the esteemed speaker, the respected Principal - Dr. Anagha Tendulkar Patil, Vice Principal - Dr. Rashna Poncha, The Head of the Political Science department - Ms. Shahnaz Shaikh, the technical staff and the hard working class representatives and students, especially the class of TYBA - Political Science and the audience for ensuring the smooth running of the event.



2. Title of the activity/event: Online Lecture Series on 'Centre-state relations with reference to Fiscal and Emergency Powers'

Date: 31st January, 2024

Number of staff members involved: 2



Guest/Speaker: Adv. Pushkar Dwivedi

The Political Science Department (B.A) of Sophia College Autonomous, organised a lecture series on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 at 4 in the evening. The lecture series was about 'Centre-state relations with reference to Fiscal and Emergency Powers' and began at 4:10 pm.

The speakers for the session was Adv. Pushkar Dwivedi.

A resourceful session, it mainly focused on the Centre -State Relations and how it is interrelated with various other provisions in the Indian Constitution. The talk began with a discussion on Indian Federal System and a short discussion on Federalism in general that students were keenly interested in. Students were encouraged to make note of the same for future perusal. Shortly after, Adv. Pushkar Dwivedi began her lecture on Centre - State Relations in India. He stressed on federal issues and spoke extensively about Legislative, Administrative, Financial Relations. He further spoke about Emergency Provisions other related issues he touched upon. Moving on, he presented an extensive and elaborate case study/ research to enhance his explanation on the Centre-state relations and Emergency Provisions. While he put forth points on the need for cooperative federalism in India, he spoke of GST, centre-state conflicts, discrimination and dominance of the centre and its impact - relative and subjective. He discussed about the reform measures that will improve Centre-state relations in India.

The session ended with an enriching question round, where Adv. Dwivedi took questions from the audience. Before closing, Adv. Dwivedi thanked the students present and listening. The session got over at 6:45 pm.

To conclude, the event was a success as it also allowed students to interact one on one with the guest speaker. Adv. Dwivedi was also very happy with the students of the department for their

participation. He showed his willingness to be a part of more and more sessions of the department in future.

#### 3. Special pedagogical tools used, other than the lecture method

Talks by Experts as Guest Speakers and Visits to Relevant Insitutions.

Use of LCD laptop and Social Media, such as WhatsApp, Facebook, YouTube to share and discuss issues and content such as Documentaries, News reports, Interviews etc. in class during lectures and also after lecture hours, online.

4. Any special programs conducted for either /both slow learners and advanced learners.

yes

5. Mentor Mentee programs conducted by the department.

yes

6. Research Papers Presented

NIL

7.. Research Grants Received

NIL

8. Research Guide for PhD students

NIL

9. National or International awards/fellowships received.

NIL

10. Department/ lecturers having research projects funded by Government (include RUSA), Non-Government agencies, college during the year.

NIL

11. Workshops/seminars/ Conferences conducted during the year.

NIL

12. Workshops/seminars/ Conferences conducted on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), during the year.

NIL

13. Workshops/seminars/ Conferences conducted on Gender related issues (IPR), during the year.

NIL

14. Extension activities carried out in the neighborhood sensitizing students to social issues for their holistic development.

NIL

15. E-content development.

NIL

- 16. Capacity Development and Skill Enhancement activities organised for improving students' capabilities; like Soft Skills, Language and Communication Skills, Life Skills (Yoga, Physical fitness, Health and Hygiene) & Awareness of Trends in Technology. NIL
- 17. Guidance/coaching for competitive examinations and career counselling offered to students.

NIL