

BSKD-505: Political and Democratic Development in Azad Jammu and Kashmir

Type: Major

Credit Hours: 3

Introduction

This study is to adorn the students about the foundation of AJK Government and democratic systems in Azad Jammu & Kashmir. In this course students will be taught about the partition of Subcontinent and its aftermath on regional politics, formation of provisional Government, function & status of provisional Government, constitutional development, role of AJK Government and AJK-based political parties with special reference to uprising in ongoing Jammu & Kashmir and the formation, importance and impact of Pakistani-based Party parties in AJK.

Course Objectives

1. To equip the knowledge of the struggle of the people of this portion of the erstwhile State of Jammu & Kashmir for their fundamental rights.

Course Contents

Unit-I

- 1.1 British Partition Act and the State of Jammu & Kashmir
- 1.2 Uprising in Poonch and its repercussions
- 1.3 Role of Tribal Lashkar
- 1.4 Status and function of Provisional Government

Unit-II

- 2.1 Karachi Agreement of 28th April 1949
- 2.2 Karachi Agreement and its impact on Kashmir Issue
- 2.3 Constitutional Act 1950
- 2.4 Constitutional Act 1952
- 2.5 Constitutional Act 1970
- 2.6 Constitutional Act 1974
- 2.7 Constitutional role of AJ&K Legislative Assemblies from 1970 to date
- 2.8 Uprising in Jammu & Kashmir and role of AJK Government as “Base Camp”

Learning Outcomes

- To sketch out the struggles and sacrifices of the Kashmiri leadership and public for the democracy and political awareness in AJK.
- To dig out the legal status and constitutional development in AJK.
- To understand the political culture and political parties, democratic process, nature and function of political and conduction of election in divided areas.

Teaching-Learning Strategies:

The following techniques will be used in the said program

- Lectures on physical basis
- Presentations
- Group Discussions
- Assignments / Quizzes / Projects
- Seminars / Symposiums
- Research Based Tours

Assignments-Types and Number with calendar:

Assignments will be furnished under the supervision of course instructor by using the modern techniques of research. Assignments and Quizzes will cover twenty (20) marks out of 100 marks and will due by the end of 8th/9th week of education of the concerned semester. Mid Term examinations will be held after the completion of 8 / 9 week of education as well as Final Term examinations will be held after the completion of 16 / 18 week of education.

Assessment and Examinations:

Sr. No.	Elements	Weightage	Details
1.	Midterm Assessment	35%	It takes place at the mid-point of the semester
2.	Formative Assessment	25%	It is continuous assessment. It includes classroom participation, attendance, assignments and presentations, homework, attitude and behavior, hands-on-activities, short tests, quizzes etc.
3.	Final Assessment	40%	It takes place at the end of the semester. It is mostly in the form of a test, but owing to the nature of the course the teacher may assess their students based on term paper, research proposal development, field work and report writing etc.

Suggested Readings:

- Faiz ur Rehman, Dr. (2017). *The State of Jammu & Kashmir At A Glance*: New United Press, Islamabad.
- Manzoor-ul-Hassan, Syed. (1988). *Constitutional Development in Azad Jammu and Kashmir*: Lahore.
- Cristopher Snedden. (2012). *The Untold Story of the people of Azad Kashmir*: C.U. Press, USA.
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- Zutshi, Chitralekha. (2018). *Kashmir: History, Politics, Representation, (edited)*: Cambridge University Press, UK.

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- Abdul Aziz, Mir. (2000). *Freedom Struggle in Kashmir*: Punjab University Research Society, Lahore.
- Hayat, Javaid. (2020). *Azad Jammu and Kashmir: Polity, Politics, And, Power-Sharing*: Oxford University Press, Lahore.
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