

I- Nature and objectives of Political Geography,

- i. Definition and development of political geographic thought.

II- A critical examination of the following:

- i. Concept of environmental relationship in political geography.
- ii. The concept of geopolitics its development and short-comings (views of Karl Ritter. Freidrich Ratzel, Rudoll Kjellen, Vidal de la Blache, jean Brunches, Alfred Thayer Mahan, Sir Hal ford Mac kinder, Karl House offer, Nicholas J. Spykman and Alexander-de-Surversky).
- iii. National deterministic theories of Germans and French possibilities.

III- State as a Politico-geographic Phenomenon:

- i. Concept of the state and its classification. Chief political-geographic characteristics of states.
- ii. Hierarchy of political area.
- iii. Frontiers and boundaries: their concepts, functions and classification.
- iv. Core areas, ecumenical area and capitals.

IV- Approaches and forces in the politico geographic study of state:

- i. A critical examination of the following approaches:
 - a. Simple descriptive approach.
 - b. Historical approach.
 - c. Morphological approach.
 - d. Functional approach.
- ii. Forces affecting the internal functioning of a state:
 - a. Centrifugal forces.
 - b. Integrating factors.

- iii. Factors affecting the external relations of a state:
 - a. Territorial considerations.
 - b. Economics factors.
 - c. Political relations.
 - d. Strategic consideration.
 - e. Ideological and cultural factors.

V- A study of the foreign relations of the following states in relation to the above factors:

- i. U.S.A.
- ii. U.K
- iii. Russia
- iv. China

VI- A detailed politico geographical study of Pakistan

VII- World Organization:

- i. United Nations.
- ii. Analysis of the World Political Patters in terms of their economic, strategic, ideological and cultural relationships with special consideration of British Commonwealth, European Common Market, North Atlantic Treaty organization, South East Asia Treaty Organization Central Treaty Organization and the Arab League.

Books Recommended :

1. Alexander D. M. 1963 World Political Patterns, Rand McMally, Chicago.
2. Blij, H.J.1967 Systematic Political Geography, John Wiley New York.
3. Bowman, I. 1928 The New World Problems in Political Geography, Ginn New York.
4. C. L. 1958 Geography and World Politics, Prentice Hall New Jersey.
5. Cohen, Saul B. 1975 Geography and Politics in World Divided, Random House New York.
6. G. Y.M. 1956 Political Geography and the World Map, Fredrick A. Praeger New York.
7. M. A.E. 1949 Geography Behind Politics, Huntington's University Library London.
8. Saul Rose 1963 Politics in Southern Asia, Macmillan London.
9. W. H.W. 1957 Principles of Political Geography, Appletton.