

Minor Course
Undergraduate Programme (Political Science)
Semester IV
MIC4 Local Governance

MIC 4 Local Governance (Credits 04)	Maximum Marks: 100
Course ID:	Theory Marks: 70
Semester IV	Theory Internal Marks: 30
	Examination Time: 3 hrs

Course Outcome: After completing this course, the learner will be able to;

- Learn what local governance means and why decentralization matters.
- Know how Panchayati Raj works and helps in village development.
- Understand how city governments work and the problems they face.
- See why local governance should include everyone and be open and fair.

Note:

1. Nine Questions will be set in all and students will be required to attempt 5 questions.
2. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and will consist of 7 short answer type questions of 2 marks spread over the entire syllabus (2x7=14 marks).
3. For the remaining eight questions, students will attempt 1 out of 2 questions from each of the four units (14 marks each).

Unit I Introduction to local governance:

Origin & Development of PRIs.

Constitutional Amendments: 73rd and 74th Amendments

Unit II Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs): Rural Structure

Structure of PRIs: Gram Panchayat , Panchayat Samiti, Zila Parishad.

Functions and Responsibilities of PRIs.

Unit III Urban Local Bodies (ULBs): Urban Structure

Structure: Municipal Corporation, Municipalities and Nagar Panchayats

Function and Responsibilities of ULBs.

Unit IV

Local Governance and Inclusive Development

Women's Participations in local governance.

Suggested Readings:

1. **Basu, R. (2019).** *Public Administration: Concepts and Theories* (20th ed.). New Delhi: Sterling Publishers.
2. **Maheshwari, S. R. (2000).** *Indian Administration*. New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan.
3. **Singh, Satyajit, & Sharma, P. (Eds.). (2007).** *Decentralization: Institutions and Politics in Rural India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
4. **Mathew, G. (1994).** *Panchayati Raj: From Legislation to Movement*. New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company.

5. **Chakrabarty, B., & Prakash, P. (Eds.). (2017).** *Local Governance in India: Theory and Practice*. New Delhi: Sage Publications.
6. **Sharma, M. P., & Sadana, B. L. (2022).** *Public Administration in Theory and Practice* (61st ed.). Allahabad: Kitab Mahal.
7. **Bhatnagar, R. (2004).** *Urban Local Governance in India: Issues and Challenges*. New Delhi: Sage Publications.
8. **Pillai, R. (2012).** *Urban Governance: Theory and Practice in India*. New Delhi: Routledge.
9. **Dixit, R. (2011).** *Decentralization and Governance: The 73rd and 74th Amendments and their Impact*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
10. **Berk, M., & Brown, L. (2008).** *Governance and Development in the Third World*. New York: Routledge.
11. **Gupta, D., & Mukherjee, S. (2014).** *Inclusive Growth and Development in India*. New Delhi: Cambridge University Press.
12. **Ravindra, M., & Prakash, P. (2015).** *Women's Participation in Local Governance: Challenges and Prospects*. New Delhi: SAGE Publications.
13. **World Bank. (2004).** *World Development Report 2004: Making Services Work for Poor People*. Washington, D.C.: World Bank.
14. **Choudhury, D., & Mishra, P. (2013).** *Local Governance in India: Opportunities and Challenges for Development*. New Delhi: McGraw-Hill Education.