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Course Objective: The course introduces the historical legacies and geopolitics of South Asia as a region. It imparts an understanding of political regime types as well as the socioeconomic issues of the region in a comparative framework. The course also apprises students of the common challenges and the strategies deployed to deal with them by countries in South Asia.

I. South Asia- Understanding South Asia as a Region (9 Lectures)

(a) Historical and Colonial Legacies (b) Geopolitics of South Asia

II. Politics and Governance (21 Lectures)

(a) Regime types: democracy, authoritarianism, monarchy

(b) Emerging constitutional practices: federal experiments in Pakistan; constitutional debate in Nepal and Bhutan; devolution debate in Sri Lanka

III. Socio-Economic Issues (15 Lectures)

(a) Identity politics and economic deprivation: challenges and impacts (case studies of Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka)

IV. Regional Issues and Challenges (15 Lectures)

(a) South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC): problems and prospects (b) Terrorism_(c) Migration

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II. Politics and Governance

POL AE 3024 YOUTH AND NATION-BUILDING

Course objectives:

The aim of this course is to highlight the importance of NCC and NSS. The students will be able to get involved with the NCC and the NSS and learn about its activities and undertake tasks under its aegis. The students will also be able to learn about the basics of disaster preparedness and its management.

Unit –I: Youth and National Service Scheme (NSS)

- NSS: Organisation and Objectives
- NSS: Activities and Benefits
- NSS and its contribution

Unit-II: Youth and the National Cadet Corps (NCC)

- Aims and objectives of the NCC
- Organisation and Training
- NCC and its benefits

Unit-III: Youth and National Disaster Management

- Disaster Management Plan 2016-an overview
- National Disaster Management Authority
- Community involvement and preparedness: Assam

Reading List:

Unit –I:

- NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME MANUAL (REVISED), available at http://nss.wbut.ac.in/documents/NSS_manual_2006.pdf

Unit-II:

- ANO Handbook, NCC, Available at https://docs.google.com/viewerng/viewer?url=http://nccindia.nic.in/sites/default/files/ANO+Hand+Book_1.pdf

Unit-III:

- National Policy on Disaster Management, available at <https://ndma.gov.in/images/guidelines/national-dm-policy2009.pdf>
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