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Manasagangotri, Mysuru-570 006

DEPARTMENT OF STUDIES IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Genesis and Growth

The Master's Programme in Political Science was introduced in the year 1944 -45 at Maharaja College.

It was established as the Department of Post-Graduate and Research Studies in the year 1952 by Professor L Shrikantaiah in the Manasagangotri Campus. Later, it was headed by eminent Professors like Prof. D'Souza, Prof.K.B.Y.Thotappa, Dr.K.S.Mune Gowda, Shri.P.Lingaiah, Dr Y.Rafeeq Ahmed, Dr M.Umapathy, Dr H.M.Rajashekhara, Prof. Dayananda Mane, Shri.M.N.N.Urs, Prof.Muzaffar Assadi, Prof Midatala Rani Prof.G.T.Ramachandrappa, and Prof Krishna Hombal. The reach of the department has traversed to different parts of the world. Students from West Asia, South Asia, Africa, South-East Asia have graduated with their Ph.D. or Masters from the department, The Department had introduced M Phill programme in the year 2008 and M.A in Public Administration in 2010. Later on, the MA programme in Public Administration was bifurcated from the Department of Studies in Political Science to create DOS in Public administration in 2015.

Vision

- 1. Enable students to pursue excellence in revealing truths and facts
- 2. To promote the ability to exercise independent and objective judgment in deriving inferences and generalization and come out with socially relevant arguments and debates
- 3. Reach out to the academic audience by way of New theoretical arguments, narratives and Alternative Models to the Western paradigms
- 4. Strive to transform the department into one of the Centres of Excellence in the years to come

Mission

- Understand the issues of contemporary India from a larger philosophical perspective
- · Create a sense of rootedness to reflect upon issues and challenges of contemporary India
- · Equip students with the knowledge of concepts, theories. Different Models of Political Science

Academic Programmes

- 1. Master of Arts in Political Science.
- 2. Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science
- 3. Post-Doctoral Programme

Chairs and Centres

The Department has created four Study Chairs, out of which two became independent centres. They are Dr B.R.Ambedkar Study Chair, Babu Jagajeeven Ram Study Chair, Zakir Hussain Study Chair and N.Rachaiah Study Chair- the latter is currently attached to the Department. These study Chairs are known for promoting academic activities and known for inclusiveness.

Major Contributions of Department and Faculty

- Department of Political Science has worked in collaboration with UGC sponsored UPE programme and developed "Social Development index".
- Department has contributed to Drushti project for promoting higher education for Visually Challenged Person
- · Department was the recipient of UGC sponsored Special Assistance Programme.
- · Department contributed to the establishment of the Centre for the study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy
- Department organized every year until it moved to Department of Public Administration, Shri Mallikarjuna Swamy Endowment Lecture, a former Education Minister of Karnataka
- Department in collaboration with Committee on Scientific and Technical Term MHRD prepared Tri-Lingual Fundamental glossary in Political Science- English-Hindi-Kannada
- Faculty of the Department was appointed as Chairman of the Hon'ble High Court on Tribal Displacement and Rehabilitation which is now popularly known as the "Assadi Committee Report"
- Some Faculties have received international recognition Fulbright, Rockefeller, Chair Professor of Indian Studies.
- Faculty have received many awards such as Kannada Sahitya Academy Award, APJ Kalam Award, NFB Excellence Award in Employee category.
- Faculty of the Department have involved in organizing XLth Indian Social Science Congress. It was jointly hosted by the University of Mysore and the Indian Academy of Social Science
- Faculty was appointed to different Boards by the Government of Karnataka, such as the Karnataka Text Book Committee (Chairman) to prepare books for Visually Challenged and Learning Disability, Committee to Declare Minority status to Lingayats (member), committee to declare state awards (member).
- · Department faculties is one of the Co-ordinators of UPE area II project and also Drushti project.



Ph. D.s Awarded	75
a. Publications	300
b. National Journals	30
c. International Journals	36
d. Books	60+
Articles in Dailies	100+
Citations(Google Scholar)	472
	H Index:11
	i-10 Index:13



Research Projects

Special Lectures

1. American Political System by Prof. T. Ramakrishna Reddy, August 23 2019.

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- 2. Promotion of Academic integrity and prevention of plagiarism by Dr C P Ramesesha, November 16 2019.
- 3. Application of Statistics and Sampling method in Political Science by Prof. Premkumar G S, November 30th 2019.
- 4. Electronic Information Source in Political Science and Literature review by Prof. Ramasheshu,: November 30th 2019.
- 5. 'Impact of Covid Crisis on Immigrants from India in the US, by Dr Smitha Ekka Diwan, New York City College, June 21 2020.
- 6. West Asia in Crisis, Prof A.K Pasha, Professor of West Asian Studies, JNU July 12 2020.

- 7. A Judiciary for Change byProf Ravi Verma Kumar, an eminent Jurist, delivered on July 20 2020.
- 8. Gandhi, Democracy, India and Contemporary Issues: An Interface by Prof Ramchandra Guha, an eminent Historian, on, August 16 2020.

Workshops /Seminars

- National Seminar, on Human Rights Issues and Challenges in India, December 12 2019.
- 72nd Sarvodaya day Program by N. Rachaiah Study Chair. January 31 2020.
- National Seminar on Democracy and Social Justice in India February. 27, 28 2020.
- Workshop on Research Methodology in Social Sciences, August 28-29 2020.

Eminent Alumni

- Prof A.K.Pasha, Professor of West Asian Studies, JNU. .
- Shri S. Bangarappa, Former Chief Minister of Karnataka. .
- . Dr Naseer Hussain, Rajya Sabha Member.
- . Late Srikanta Datta Odeyar, Royal Scion of Mysore.
- Prof J.S Sadananda, former Dean, Kuvempu University, Shimoga. .
- K.Subramanya, Former Chief Editor, Deccan Herald. .
- Subash Bharani, former ADGP, IPS.
- Harish Ramaswamy, Vice-Chancellor, Raichur University.
- Kavitha Kestur, Additional Deputy Comptroller & Auditor General (Eastern Region).
- K.H Patil, former Agriculture Minister, Govt of Karnataka.



Faculty Profile



Prof. Muzaffar H.Assadi, Professor

Specialisation: New Social Movement, Democratic Theory, Identity Politics, Political Sociology

Earlier he served as Chair Professor of India Studies, Russian State University for

Humanities, Visiting Eminent Scholar of Pondicherry University, Visiting Fellow at Al-Takwin, Sultanate of Oman, Director of Gandhian Studies, Scholar-in-Residence of Kerala University, Visiting fellow of Punjab University, Director of Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and

Inclusive Policy, Chairman of the Hon'ble High Court Committee on Tribal Displacement and

Rehabilitation, Special Officer of Proposed Raichur University, He was a recipient of Rockefeller Post-Doctoral Fellowship. He is the recipient of the Karnataka Sahitya Akademy Award, 2011. He has fourteen books to his credit.



Prof G.T Ramchandrappa, Professor

Specialization: Decentralization, Social Movement, Globalization, Western and Contemporary Political Thought.

He served as the Chairperson of the Department for three terms, he served as

coordinator of Refresher courses, member of Board of Studies, Board of Appointment, Board of Examination, He served as the Chairman of the Political Science Research Committee during 40th Indian Social Science Congress.



Prof Krishna Hombal, Professor

Specialization: International Relations, Political Theory, Public Administration, Indian Political Thought, India's Foreign Policy, Global Political Economy, Human Rights and Disability Study.

He was a visiting Fellow at Delhi University, he worked as a Chairman of the Karnataka Text Book Committee on Political Science for visually challenged and Learning disabilities, he was a Co-ordinator of the UPE-Drishti Project. He is currently serving as an Expert in the

Research Project Committee of ISEC, Bangalore, and Director of Asha Kirana School for Blind Child Children, Chikmagalur. He served as Co-Chairman of the Political Science Research Committee in the 40th Indian Social Science Congress.



Dr. Midatala Rani, Professor

(Superannuated 2021)

Specialization: Tribal Studies, Women Empowerment, Regional Politics and Public Administration She served as the 1st women Chairperson of the department and the HRDC Director(academic staff college). She wrote 11 books which includes

Editor of Monograph series, 7 Volumes, UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, University of Mysore, 2017 and 2018.

Chief Editor, Asian Journal of Development Matters. Vol. 12, June 2018, No. 1 (1) Special Issues, Mysore, National Centre for Inclusive Growth and Development Research.

The academic program is supported by 4 Guest faculty

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