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| Title Of Paper: Political Parties in India | |

| Unit | Description in Detail | Weightage (%) |
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| I | Origins of Political Parties: From the Establishment of the Indian National Congress in 1885 to the Congress System. Nature of Party System in the Post Independent India. | 20% |
| II | National Political Parties: their origin, programme, organization and support base. Regional Political Parties: their origin, programme, organization and support base. | 20% |
| III | Patterns of Interaction between National and Regional Political Parties. Political Parties and the Electoral Process. | 20% |
| IV | Major Pressure Groups with special reference to trade unions, chambers of commerce, Agrarian interest groups, Human Rights and Environmental movements/groups. | 20% |
| V | Critical Evaluation of the role and working of Political Parties. | 20% |

Basic Text & Reference Books:-

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