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Paper Code: PA03ESOC04	Total Credit: 4
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Unit	Description in Detail	Weightage (%)
I	Political Sociology: Definition, Nature, Importance, Origin- Development,	15%
	Scope.	
II	Relation of Political Sociology with other Science	15%
	Approaches of Studing Politial Sociology.	
	Concept of Authority and Power: Types and Functions, Problems	
	of Political Power.	
III	Elites Theory: Defination, Characteristics, Types of Elites	
	Gaetano Mosca's Theory	
	Pareto's Theory	15%
	C. Wright Mils Theory	13%
	Michel's Theory	
	Criticism of Elites Theory, Political Elites in India.	
IV	Political Culture: Definition, Nature, Characteristics, Dimensions, Kides,	15%
	Political Culture in India.	
V	Political Parties: Meaning, Origin, Constructive Elements, Functions,	15%
	Demerits, Importance, Types, Development of Political	
VI	Parties in India.	
	Political Socialization: Meaning, Characteristics, Nature,	15%
	Agencies, Importance.	
VII	Political Communication : Definitions, Characteristics,	10%
	Nature, Agencies, Role of Communication in Political Systems.	

Essential Readings:

➤ Sociology of Art Ed. Milton Albert, James Bam Mesam Chif, Publication: Gerald Duckwarth Co..London

Basic Text & Reference Books:-

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