



SHIVAJI UNIVERSITY, KOLHAPUR

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Compulsory for First Year Degree courses under All Faculties

Module: Democracy, Elections and Good Governance

Compulsory for all Students of first year in first semester.

I. Democracy in India

- ✓ Dimensions of Democracy: Social, Economic and Political
- ✓ Decentralisation: Grassroots Level Democracy
- ✓ Challenges before Democracy: women and marginalised sections of the society

II. Election to Local Self Government Bodies

- ✓ 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts: Institutions at the local level and Role of State Election commission
- ✓ Local Body Elections: Urban & Rural
- ✓ Duties of an Individual towards electoral process

III. Good Governance

- ✓ Meaning and concept of Government and Governance
- ✓ Good Governance initiatives in India

Rationale: the rationale of the study is to make the pupils aware of the importance of democracy. What constitute democracy, what is its importance from the point of view of the role of individual and what exactly can individually get if he performs his role well in the society. This module also aims to make the individual understand the different aspects of democracy and its implications in the overall development of the state.

The syllabus is introduced from the point of view that all students upon entering the college, enrol themselves as voters and encourage and enthuse other members of the society to participate not only in election process but also electoral and political process in general.