

UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Core Course in POLITICAL SCIENCE
for the students of BA Degree Programme in Political Science under CBCSS
SYLLABUS

Semester: 6 Type of course: **Core**
Course Code: **PS1644** Course Name: **NEW SOCIAL MOVEMENTS**
Instruction Hours/Week: 4 Number of credits: 3

Aim of the Course

The course intends to offer a broad perspective on the different developments in understanding the form of society, conflict within society and collective action as a means for social change.

Objectives of the course

1. To introduce to the student to the analysis of social conflict, social change and activism.
2. To familiarize contemporary social movements including movements of socially excluded people.
3. To make the student understand the impact of globalization on social movements and civil society.

MODULE I - NEW SOCIAL MOVEMENTS :

Concept and approaches – Gandhian – Liberal Democratic – Neo-liberal and postmodernist
Theories – Classical Theory, Resource Mobilisation Theory, Identity Oriented Theory

MODULE II - CHANGING TRENDS

Nature of state – Civil Society
Features of New Social Movements
New Social Movements and Globalisation

MODULE III - NEW SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN INDIA

Basic Features
The Peasant Movement
Environmental Movements – Chipko Movement – Narmada Bachavo Andolen

MODULE IV - NEW SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND WOMEN

Women's Movements in India – NGOs and women – Domestic violence – protection of women from domestic violence Act 2005

MODULE V - NEW SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN KERALA

Evolution of New Social Movements in Kerala
Movements against pollution of water, air, earth, sewage disposal and consequent problems in urban centres
Environmental NGOs – Role of Women in environmental protection
Dalit and Adivasi movements in Kerala

BOOKS

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