Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)

Conflict and Peace Building

Total Marks – 100

Semester Exam – 70

Credits - 4

Sessional Exam - 30

Programme/Class	B.A.	Semester	VI	
Subject	Political Science			
Course Code	BPS-S601	Course Title	Conflict and Peace Building	

Course Learning Outcomes

- The course will enhance students' understanding on the meaning, nature and significance of peace, conflict management, conflict resolution and conflict transformation.
- The student will also learn the importance of resource sharing in the conflict zones.
- The paper will develop students' knowledge on ideological and socio-culture dimensions of conflict at local, sub-national and international levels.

Students will also learn about negotiation and mediation skill for conflict resolution through active listening, different tracks of diplomacy and Gandhian methods

Units	Topic	No. of
		Lectures
Unit 1	Concepts	8
	a. Understanding Conflict	
	b. Conflict Management, Conflict Resolution and	
	Conflict Transformation	
	c. Peace Building: Meaning and Concept	
Unit 2	Dimensions of Conflict	8
	a. Ideology	
	b. Economic/Resource Sharing Conflicts	
	c. Socio-Cultural Conflicts (Ethnic, Religious, Gender-	
	based)	
Unit 3	Levels of Conflict	9
	a. Local	

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	b. Sub – National	
	c. International	
Unit 4	Conflict Responses: Skills and Techniques	9
	a. Negotiations: Trust Building	
	b. Meditation: Skill Building Active Listening	
	c. Track I, Track II & Multi Track Diplomacy	
	d. Gandhian Methods	

Suggestive Reading

- O. Ramsbotham, T. Woodhouse and H. Miall, (2011) Understanding Contemporary Conflict'in Contemporary Conflict Resolution, (Third Edition), Cambridge: Polity Press, pp. 94-122.
- W. Zaltman, (1995) Dynamics and Constraints in Negotiations in Internal Conflicts, in William Zartman (ed.), Elusive Peace: Negotiating an End to Civil Wars, Washington: The Brookings Institute, pp. 3-29.
- C. Mitchell, (2002) Beyond Resolution: What Does Conflict Transformation Actually Transform?, in Peace and Conflict Studies, 9:1, May, pp. 1-23.
- S. Ryan, (1990) Conflict Management and Conflict Resolution, in Terrorism and Political Violence, 2:1, pp. 54-71 .
- D. Sandole, (2003) Typology in S. Cheldelin, D. Druckman and L. Fast (eds.) Conflict: From Analysis to Intervention, London: Continuum, pp. 39-54.
- P Wallenstein, (2007) Understanding Conflict Resolution (2nd ed.). London: Sage Publications.
- N Behera, Forging New Solidarities: Non-official Dialogues, in M. Mekenkamp, P.Tongeren and H. van De Veen (eds.), Searching For Peace In Central And South Asia, London: Lynne Rienner Publishers, pp. 210-236.

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