

M.A. Defence and Strategic Studies under CBCS (Semester- IV) – Open Course

Course Code: PSSRSTO-404

Course Title: Understanding Internal and External Security Dimensions of Jammu and Kashmir

Sr. No.	Course No.	Title of the Course	Contact Hours/Week L + TU	Maximum Marks	Credits
1.	PSSRSTO 404	Understanding Internal and External Security Dimensions of Jammu and Kashmir	4 + 1	100	4

Maximum Marks: 100

(a) Major Exam: 60

(Duration of Major Examination: 3 hrs)

(b) Minor Tests-I & II: 20 each

(Duration of Minor Tests: 1:00 hr)

Course Outcome:

The primary objective of this course is to describe the evolution of International Relations as an activity and discipline along with its nature, scope and contemporary dynamics. Besides, this course will also explain the nature, types and functioning of the actors of international relations including nation-states and non-state actors. Moreover, various theoretical frameworks developed by the different scholars to study the behaviour of states and non-state actors international relations leading to cooperation, conflict and even war will also be taught to the students in the present course of international relations. In addition to this, the present course is also aimed to make the student familiar with fundamental components of state power and various instruments including national power, diplomacy and foreign aid that are used by it to protect and promote its national interests.

After studying the present course, students will be able to understand the historical and contemporary dynamics of international relations along with its nature, scope and behavioural pattern of state and non-state actors. Besides, the studying the theoretical frameworks of international relations will be able to understand the fundamental norms and interests which govern, guide and direct the behaviour of states in international relations and also that how and why states achieve their national interests in the prevailing international system. The course will help the students to understand about issue of proxy wars which is continuously creating the instability and insecurity in the international system.

Unit-I: J&K and the Geopolitical Complex

1.1 Formation of Jammu and Kashmir as a Princely State

1.2 Geopolitical positioning of J&K with respect to The Great Game, Silk Road

1.3 Strategic engagements of Dogra rulers (1846-1947)

1.4 J&K as a gateway to Central Asia

Unit-II: Regional and International Dynamics

2.1 Geo-strategic significance of Gilgit-Baltistan, Aksai Chin and Trans-Karakoram regions

- 2.2 Impact of wars with Pakistan and China on the borders of the state of J&K
- 2.3 Strategic interests of external players- Pakistan, China, UK, US, Russia and EU
- 2.4 UN Resolutions on Jammu and Kashmir

Unit-III: Security Challenges in J&K

- 3.1 Sub-Conventional Warfare - Insurgency, Terrorism and Proxy War
- 3.2 History of terrorism in J&K
- 3.3 Extremist and separatist organisations - Jamaat-e-Islami, Hurriyat Conference, etc
- 3.4 Terrorist organisations - Lashkar-e-Taiba, Jaish-e-Mohammed, Hizbul Mujahideen, Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front, etc

Unit-IV: Role of Security Forces in J&K

- 4.1 Counterinsurgency approaches - Enemy centric and Population centric (Operation Sadbhavana)
- 4.2 Anti-terror Laws - Armed Forces Special Power Act, Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, Public Safety Act, etc.
- 4.3 Counterinsurgency/Counterterrorism forces - Army (Rashtriya Rifles), Jammu and Kashmir Police (Special Operations Group), Border Security Forces and other paramilitary forces
- 4.4 Other components of counterinsurgency/counterterrorism operations - Unified Headquarters, Special Police Officer, Village Defence Committee, etc

Scheme of Examination:

MCQ on LMS + Subjective Test	Syllabus to be covered in the examination	Time allotted for the examination	% Weightage (Marks)
TEST I (after 30 days)	25%	1 hour	10 + 10
TEST II (after 60days)	26 to 50%	1 hour	10 + 10
Theory	Syllabus to be covered in the examination	Time allotted for the examination	% Weightage (Marks)
Major test (after 90 days)	100%	3 hours	60
Total			100

Suggested Readings:

1. Bamzai, P. N. K. (1994). *A History of Kashmir*. New Delhi: Metropolitan Book Co.
2. Chari, P. R., Cheema, P. I., & Cohen, S. P. (2007). *Perception, Politics and Security in South Asia: The Compound Crisis of 1990*. Routledge.
3. Sisidia, N.S & Bansal, Alok (2007). *Pakistan Occupied Kashmir: The Untold Story*. New Delhi: Manas Publications.
4. Bansal, Alok & Bahuguna, Nidhi (2024). *Occupied Territories of Bharat*. New Delhi: Pentagon Press.
5. Bansal, Alok & Ketkar, Aayushi (2019). *Geopolitics of Himalayan Region: Cultural Political and Strategic Dimensions*. New Delhi: Pentagon Press.
6. Fair, C. C. (2014). *Fighting to the End: The Pakistan Army's Way of War*. Oxford University Press.
7. Tellis, A. J., Fair, C. C., & Medby, J. J. (2001). *Limited Conflicts Under the Nuclear Umbrella: Indian and Pakistani Lessons from the Kargil Crisis*. RAND Corporation.
8. Haqqani, H. (2005). *Pakistan: Between Mosque and Military*. Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.
9. Sahni, A. (2002). *Conflict and Peace in Jammu and Kashmir: The Role of the Security Forces*. South Asia Terrorism Portal
10. Ganguly, S., & Kapur, S. P. (2010). *India, Pakistan, and the Bomb: Debating Nuclear Stability in South Asia*. Columbia University Press.
11. Sood, R. (2015). *The Kashmir Conundrum: The Quest for Peace in a Troubled Land*. HarperCollins India.
12. Gallagher, James J. (1992), “*Low intensity conflict: a guide for tactics, techniques and procedure*”. New Delhi: Lancer Publishers.
13. Galula, David (2010), *Counterinsurgency Warfare: Theory and Practice*, New Delhi: Pentagon Press.
14. Gill, K.P.S. (1997), “*Punjab: the Knights of Falsehood*” New Delhi: Har Anand Publishers.
15. Jagmohan (2014), *My Frozen Turbulence in Kashmir*, New Delhi: Allied Publisher Pvt. Ltd.
16. Sharma, G. D. (2014), *Plight of Jammu and Kashmir: The Unknown Files*, New Delhi: Manas Publications.
17. Sharma, K. Surinder and Behera, Anshuman (2014), *Militant Groups in South Asia*, New Delhi: Pentagon Press.
18. Swami, Praveen (2007), “*India, Pakistan and the Secret Jihad: The Covert war in Kashmir, 1947- 2004,*” New York: Routledge.
19. Chadha, Vivek (2005), “*Low Intensity Conflicts in India: An Analysis,*” New Delhi: Sage Publications Pvt. Ltd.