



## *Guidelines for Assignments in Political Science*

*Std XII--(from June 2016 onwards.)*

### **Objective:-**

To test the student's ability to organize, describe, narrate, report, explain, persuade or argue, present ideas coherently, present relevant arguments and use correct style and format.

### **Selection of the Topic:-**

The topic selected should be very specific so that it is manageable for the student. The topics chosen should allow the students to draw on their experiences, reading and must stimulate their imagination.

### **Length:-**

The essay / article should not exceed 350 to 400 words.

### **Presentation:-**

The assignment should be written by the student's own handwriting on foolscap paper, punched and submitted in a simple file. They must be instructed not to waste money on colour print outs and decorative materials as the focus of the assignment would be on the relevance of content, organisation originality etc. However, pictures, drawings would be welcomed if the assignment requires it. Details such as student's name, roll no, date, class are to be mentioned in the top right hand corner of the cover. The title of the assignment is to be written in capital letters in the centre of the corner.

### **Reference:-**

Reference material should be within the reach of the student and very easily obtained in the library, newspaper, magazines and internet. Internet time should not exceed three to four hours.

The teacher should emphasize that the assignment has to be the student's own work and not copied from some books or downloaded from the internet.

### **Criteria for Evaluation of Assignments/ Projects:-**

The Criteria for Evaluation of Assignments/ Projects should be based on the following parameters:-

- a) Creativity
- b) Coherence
- c) Unity
- d) Relevance
- e) Grammar, Spelling, Vocabulary, Variety in the sentence structure.

## Scoring Guide

### Score of 20

An assignment in this category demonstrates clear and consistent mastery.

A typical Assignment should be-

- Effectively and insightfully, develop a point of view on the issue and demonstrates outstanding critical thinking, using clearly appropriate examples, reasons, and other evidence to support its position.
- Is well organized and clearly focused, demonstrating clear coherence and smooth progression of ideas.
- Exhibits skillful use of language, using a varied, accurate, and apt vocabulary.
- Demonstrates meaningful variety in sentence structure.
- Is free of most errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics.

### 2 . Suggested Assignments/ Projects (Any other syllabus related topics may be given.)

- a ) Indo-China Relations.
- b) India's Nuclear Policy.
- c) India's role for the permanent seat in the U.N Security Council.
- d) General Elections: An Analysis.
- e) Naxalite Movement in India.
- f) Social-economic effects of globalization on Goa.
- g) Mining Industries and environmental degradation in Goa.
- h) Relations between India and the U.S.A- latest developments.

### 3. The Criteria for the evaluation of the Assignment/ Projects should be based on the following parameters:

- a) Content
- b) Innovation
- c) Skills
- d) Reference Materials
- e) Presentation.
- f) Viva/ Group Discussion

### N.B:

The Teacher is free to suggest additional Assignments/ Projects or even accept Assignments / Projects suggested by the students, related to the syllabus of the subject. Suggested Assignments/ Projects should be of similar nature as proposed by the Board of Studies in Political Science and Sociology.

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