

**National Seminar
on
Political System of
Ancient Bhartiya Dynasties
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CONCEPT NOTE

Bharat has a very extensive history which has witnessed the rise and fall of various dynasties. Many dynasties reigned over Bharat during the ancient age and the most important among them are the Mahajanpada, Nanda, Maurya, Pandya, Chera, Chola, Pal, Pallava, Chalukya, Maurya, Gupta, Rastrakuta etc. ruled for a large period of time. The king was the highest authority and his position was considerably supreme. Kingship became hereditary and he was responsible for defence as well as maintaining law and order of their kingdoms. Moreover, they had vast empires and tried to extend their territories. In Manu Samhita the history of kingship is described and Manu is considered to be the first king on the earth. In the political system of ancient Bharat, the king as well as his subjects were bound by "Dharma" which was the code of duties. The king was required to take oath and loyalty of the people and was not assigned with arbitrary powers and he would function according to the will of the people.

Bharat has a rich heritage and tradition of good governance dating back since the Vedic era to the recent past until the advent of external aggression of Arabs in 8th Century. Thereafter many dynasties have set the precedence of good governance blended with self-righteousness. This self-righteousness had been the cornerstone of all key dynasties from antiquity to the modern era, but very scanty and scattered descriptions are available of our rich heritage of governance.

The political system deals with the governance of a state and its relationship with the people. It also denotes the structure of institutions that constitute the State and its Government. This National Seminar is proposed to present the available information coherently and systematically.

OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR

The Seminar seeks to analyze about the various political systems in ancient Bhartiya dynasties and to explore an academic and an intellectual point of view that would provide an alternative narrative in the field of Political Science.

The Seminar will focus on the following areas:

- To discuss the Political System of each ancient Bhartiya dynasty.
- To describe the nature and form of government in respective dynasty.
- To describe model of governance and welfare measures of respective dynasty.
- To discuss contemporary relevance of political systems in ancient Bhartiya dynasties.

SEMINAR THEMES

- Political System of Vedic Period
- Political System and Governance of various Ancient Scriptures (Puranas, Mahabharat, Ramayana, Natak etc.)
- Political System of Mahajanapadas (Anga, Assaka, Avanti, Chedi, Gandhara, Kamboja, Kashi, Kosala, Kuru, Magadha, Malla, Matsya, Panchala, Surasena, Vajji (Vaishali) and Vatsa)
- Political System of Kanva (71-27 BC)
- Political System of Ujjaini (Vikramaditya of Ujjain 101 BCE – 19 CE)
- Political System of Satavahana (235-100 BC)
- Political System of Haryanka (Bimbisara. Ajatshatru-544 -413 BCE)
- Political System of Shishunaga (413BCE to 345BCE)
- Political System of Nanda (321-320 BC)
- Political System of Maurya ((321-185 BC)-Chandragupta, Bindusara, Ashoka)
- Political System of Sunga (181-71 BC)
- Political System of Sakas (90BC-150AD)
- Political System of Kushanas(78-102AD)
- Political System of Gupta (320-550 AD)
- Political System of Pushyabhuti Dynasty (560-647 AD)
- Political System of Chalukya (543-753)
- Political System of Gauda (590-626)
- Political System of Chera (9th to 12th Century)

- Political System of Chola (848-1248)
- Political System of Pal (8th to 12th Century)
- Political System of Tomar (9-12 Century)
- Political System of Paramara (Bhoj & Devpal-1010-1055)
- Political System of Ahom (1228-1826)
- Political System of Chauhan (1119-18th Century)
- Political System of Hoysal (1006-1346)
- Political System of Kakatiya (1100-1474)
- Political System of Maratha (1674-1818)
- Political System of Pallavas (275-897)
- Political System of Pandya (1345-1630)
- Political System of Rajput dynasties (1326-1884)
- Political System of Rashtrakutas (755-975)
- Political System of Sena (1070-1230)
- Political System of Sikh (1799-1849)
- Political System of various dynasties of Jammu and Kashmir

GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

A soft copy of the abstract about of 300 words in Hindi or English on any of the above themes in MS Office Word 2007 version should be mailed to **mishrajnu@gmail.com**. The accepted abstract will be communicated via Email. Registration in the Seminar is free of cost. Travel and Accommodation would be preceded.

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