UNIT I
POLITY AND POLITICAL HISTORY
1. Partition legacies; migration and resettlement.
2. The making of the Constitution and establishment of the Republic.
3. The integration of the Princely states.
4. Reorganization of the states.
5. The issue of National Language.
6. Political parties and major political developments.
7. India’s relations with neighbours; India’s foreign policy.

UNIT II
ECONOMY, SOCIETY AND CULTURE
8. Economic planning and the model of mixed economy.
10. Land reforms and agrarian class structure; Green Revolution and capitalism in agriculture; rural labour and migration.
11. Caste and politics in Independent India; Dalit and Backward Caste assertion.
12. Regionalism and regional inequalities; secessionist movements.
14. Art, culture, literature and mass media.

UNIT III
ISSUES IN CONTEMPORARY INDIAN HISTORY
15. Poverty and illiteracy; demographic trends.
16. Communalism and religious identities.
17. The caste question.
18. Gender inequalities.
19. The tribal movements and the state policy.
Reading list: