M.Phil. in African Studies
Optional Paper
Political Economy of Africa

Objectives
To understand the political economy of contemporary Africa
To look at development trajectory of Africa

Course Description
Part A
Unit I- Economic Crisis in Africa: Causes and Consequences
   Agriculture, Manufacturing and Service Sectors
Unit II- Dependency and Africa’s Underdevelopment
   Asymmetric (Trade and Investment) Linkage, Debt Crisis, MNCs
Unit III- Development Planning and Strategies in Post-Independence Period
   ISI, SAP, LPA and AAFSAP

Part – B
Unit IV- Regional Institutions and Groupings
   AfDB, AU, RECs
Unit V- Resource Governance
   Land, Water, Sub-Soil/Energy/Marine Resources
Unit V- Case Study
   North Africa-Egypt, Southern Africa-South Africa,
   East Africa-Kenya, West Africa- Nigeria, Central Africa- DRC
Reading List


