# SEMESTER - IV
## POL - 253
## POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY
### Credit - 4

**Course Objectives:**

The paper focuses on an interdisciplinary understanding of certain key concepts in the light of different theoretical frameworks. It explores the interface between politics and society by examining how various social forces work together to change policies and decisions and how political forces influence social phenomena.

**Learning Outcomes:**

This paper will enable the students to understand the societal factors that determine politics and vice versa and prepare them to take up and perform better in future administrative roles.

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| Unit I: | Emergence and scope of Political Sociology as a discipline; Approaches to the study of Political Sociology: Systems, Structural-Functional and Marxist |
| Unit II: | Power, Authority and Legitimacy; Elite Theories: Gaetano Mosca, Vilfredo Pareto and C. Wright Mills |
| Unit III: | Bureaucracy, Political Parties and Pressure Groups |
| Unit IV: | Political Culture, Political Socialization, Political Participation |

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