

AF-201 Civics & Community Engagement:

Introduction to Civics and Citizenship: Definition of civics, citizenship and civic engagement, Historical evolution of civics participation, Types of citizenship: active participatory, digital etc. The relationship between democracy and citizenship.

Civics and Citizenship: Concepts of civics, citizenship and civic engagement, Foundation of modern society and citizenship. Types of citizenship: active, participatory, digital etc.

State, Government and Civil Society: Structure and functions of government in Pakistan, The Relationships between democracy and civil society, right to vote and importance of political participation and representation. **Rights and Responsibilities:** Overview of fundamental rights and liberties of citizens under constitution of Pakistan 1973, Civic responsibilities and duties, Ethical considerations in civic engagement (accountability, non-violence, peaceful dialogue, civility, etc.)

Community Engagement: Concept, nature and characteristics of community, Community development and social cohesion, Approaches to effective community Engagement, case studies of successful community driven initiatives

Advocacy and Activism: Public discourse and public opinion, role of advocacy in addressing social issues, social action movements

Digital Citizenship and Technology: The use of digital platforms for civic engagement, Cyber ethics and responsible use of social media, Digital divides and disparities (access, usage, socioeconomic, geographic etc.) and their impact on citizenship

Diversity, Inclusion and Social Justice: Understanding diversity in society (ethnic, cultural, economic, Political etc.), Youth, women and minorities' engagement in social development, addressing social inequalities and injustice in Pakistan, Promoting inclusive citizenship and equal rights for societal harmony and peaceful co-existence.

Recommended book(s):

Civics Today: Citizenship, Economics & You by McGraw-Hill Education

1. Citizenship in the Diverse Societies by Will Kymlicka and Wayne Norman.

2. Engaging Youth in Civics Life by James Youniss and Peter Levine

3. Digital Citizenship in action: Empowering students to engage in online communities by Kristen

4. Mattson