

Smt. Chandibai Himathmal Mansukhani College, Ulhasnagar -3

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Balvant Parekh Centre for General Semantics and other Human Sciences, Baroda

**Nodal Center for General Semantics (2018-2019)
organizes**

A Certificate Course on

**“Approaching Nationalism in Constitutional
Framework: A Course in Applied General Semantics”**

Course Starts on 13th March, 2019

Time : 12:00 p.m. onwards

Registration : Rs. 250/- (includes study material, certificate & snacks)

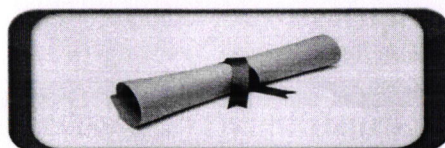
Last Date for Registration: 10th March, 2019

Eligibility : Undergraduate and Post-graduate students from all streams

**For Registration: Dr. Chandrasheel Tambe, Course Coordinator, Dept. of
Political Science**

Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar, Coordinator, Dept. of Geography

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Dr. Manju Lalwani Pathak, I/c Principal



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A REPORT ON

**Certificate Course on
"Approaching Nationalism in Constitutional Framework:
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Instead of transforming the world as global village, the neoliberal globalization of 21st Century turned the nationalities into the villages wrapped in their ethnic identities. The upsurge of nationalistic sentiments is both the cause and the consequence of deeply rooted insecurities that were suppressed under the constitutional promises of justice and independence in Post-War world. In India, in past few years we witnessed the rise of radical nationalism on ethnic and communal ground that throws open the challenge before the rationally inclined minds to interpret and carry the society to the logical end of modernity that is to construct the sensible world. There is a renewed and intensive debate over the strands of nationalism in India. The highly charged political mood of the surrounding brought the youth of the country at the crossroads of life where rational attitude is highly needed than the early years of political independence.

At this backdrop the Certificate Course on "Approaching Nationalism in Constitutional Framework: A Course in Applied General Semantics" conducted to explore and understand the phenomena with tools of General Semantics. It aimed at proposing academic intervention and nurturing of human resource to engage the complex world of our imagination in terms of nationalism and constitution in India. The Course was conducted in a single phase between 13th March, 2019 and 27th March, 2019. The total duration of the course was 30 hours. A total of 30 students, with a background of political science, participated and successfully completed the course. The copy of syllabus and schedule was provided to them in the beginning of the course. Further, a compiled study material was also provided containing extracts of writings on nationalism by Mahatma Gandhi, Ravindranath Tagore, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar and Romila Thapar. The course was highly relevant to the current debate over nationalism and constitutional values. It helped inculcate the rational approach embodied in the Constitution of India to overcome the individual crisis. It also offered the perspective to look at the trajectory of nationalism in India from the General Semantics Approach and locate the discourse in the constitutional framework.

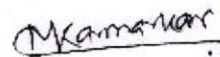
The Course opened with sessions engaged by Dr. Karmarkar on 13th and 14th March, 2019. These sessions focused on fundamental tenets of General Semantics. These tenets were discussed with reference to the post-Pulwama crisis of nationalism. On 15th March, Dr. Tambe




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took lectures on the concept nationalism. He talked about the meaning and types of nationalism. On 16th March, he engaged sessions on the history of nationalism. He discussed how the evolution of nationalism can be understood in time-binding perspective; how the concept and movements of nationalism adapted to the challenges of the time. He discussed ideas of Dr. Ambedkar in particular and also that of Romila Thapar. Dr. Kelkar conducted two days sessions on 18th and 19th March. He talked about the meaning and philosophy of Indian Constitution, in the context of which the contemporary narrative of nationalism needs to be examined. On 22nd March, Dr. Namita Nimbalkar, Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Mumbai, engaged sessions on the ideas of Gandhi and Tagore on nationalism and its role in shaping the character of Indian Nationalism. Dr. Harshad Bhosale, Assistant Professor of Political Science, D. G. Ruparel College, Matunga, Mumbai, on 23rd March, elaborately discussed on the issues and problems of nationalism with numerous contemporary examples of Indian Nationalism. After exposing students to the fundamentals of General Semantics, Nationalism and Indian Constitution, they were ready to connect these three at the backdrop of current events in the country. The sessions engaged by Dr. Tambe and Dr. Karmarkar between 25th March and 27th March were mainly focused on linking General Semantics, Nationalism and Indian Constitution, and understand the connections and gaps among them. On 25th March, Dr. Tambe discussed the ongoing debates on constitution and nationalism. On 26th March, Dr. Karmarkar discussed how the constitution has been interpreted and miss-interpreted by people and groups to fit-in their version of nationalism in it. He, then, discussed how General Semantics can be used to understand these debates and interpretations. Students realized how differentiating assumptions from facts in different versions of nationalism is significant. They also learnt how delayed reaction and use of extensional devices help us better understand what is being spoken and written in the public domain. It has a potential to save oneself from being carried away towards absolutist and fundamentalist ideas that lead to insane behaviours. 27th March, the last day of the Course, was basically the day of feedbacks. Dr. Karmarkar and Dr. Tambe initiated group discussions. The questions were raised on whether General Semantics can be applied to insane group nationalism; how an individual learning can be translated into group learning, etc. This brought forth the need to draft a memorandum on nationalism, constitution and general semantics by mentioning clearly what needs to be done at individual and public level to establish sanity in thoughts and actions. Initiated by Dr. Tambe, the students of the Course did a brainstorming discussion on the draft of the Memorandum. They prepared the first draft during the sessions. The work of properly wording and framing this Memorandum, so as to declare it in the public domain, is still on. This Memorandum is the contribution of the Course Students the efforts of nation-building in India.




Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar
Coordinator, Nodal Centre for General Semantics




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Dr Namita Nimbalkar discussing Nationalism through the lens of Tagore and Gandhi



Dr. Harshad Bhosale Engaging a Session on Issues and Problems of Indian Nationalism



Students expressing their views on Nationalism & GS



Students engrossed in the lectures

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Sr. No.	Name of the Student	Class	Roll No.	Amount Paid	Signature of Student with Date	Signature of Receiver with Date
1	Khushi J. Soni	SYBA	02	200+50	Khushi 27/2/19	Dr. J. 27-2-19
2	Tiwari Akansha	SYBA	108	200+50	Akansha 27/2/19	Dr. J. 27-2-19
3	Sayali Shinde	TYBA	607	200+50	Sayali 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
4	Dhanashree Dhamse	TYBA	602	200+50	Dhanashree 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
5	Dhammasri Morey	TYBA	615	200+50	Dhammasri 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
6	Kawase Prezana	TYBA	612	200+50	Kawase 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
7	Kapil S. Punde	SYBA	37	200+50	Kapil 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
8	Komal Kalyani	TYBA	617	200+50	Komal 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
9	Brijesh Yadav	TYBA	616	200/-	Brijesh 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
10	Vikas Pandey	TYBA	628	200+50	Vikas 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
11	Alka Motwani	FYBA	257	200+50	Alka 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
12	Yash Jha	TYBA	618	200+50	Yash 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
13	Sumit Borude	TYBA	603	200+50	Sumit 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
14	Geeta Kumbhija	SYBA	04	200+50	Geeta 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
15	Dorababu Neerudu	SYBA	32	200+50	Dorababu 28/2/19	Dr. J. 28-2-19
16	Sandeep Rathod	SYBA	55	250/-	Sandeep 02/03/19	Dr. J. 02-03-19
17	Saurav S. Kadam	SYBA	25	200+50	Saurav 2-3-19	Dr. J. 2-3-19
18	Rajput Sonam	FYBA	145	200+50	Rajput 2-3-19	Dr. J. 2-3-19
19	Priya H. Gupta	SYBA	86	200+50	Priya 2.03.19	Dr. J. 2-03-19
20	Sneha B. Dubey	FYBA	40	250	Sneha 2.03.19	Dr. J. 2-03-19
21	Shalini R. Sharma	SYBA	110	200+50	Shalini	Dr. J.
22	Sakshi Mishra	FYBA	116	200+50	Sakshi	Dr. J.
23	Melvin Francis	SYBA	74	250/-	Melvin 18-3-19	Dr. J. 18-3-19
24	Samuel Abraham	SYBA	73	250	Samuel 18-3-19	Dr. J. 18-3-19

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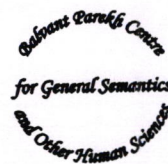


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Concept:

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Objective:

1. To train the participant to engage in the debate over nationalism and constitution in rational and meaningful way.
2. To develop the source material for those who are interested in exploring General Semantics way to deal with the issue of nationalism in India.
3. To contribute towards strengthening of the Constitutional values for the betterment of Indian society.

Relevance of the Course:

There is a renewed and intensive debate over the strands of nationalism in India. The highly charged political mood of the surrounding brought the youth of the country at the crossroads of life where rational attitude is highly needed than the early years of political independence. The relevance of the course can be straight away located in the debate over nationalism and constitutional values. It is necessary to inculcate the rational



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approach embodied in the Constitution of India to overcome the individual crisis. The proposed course offers the perspective to look at the trajectory of nationalism in India from the General Semantics Approach and locate the discourse in the constitutional framework.

Syllabus & Hrs.:

Sr. No.	Module	Pedagogy	Resource Person	Hrs.
01	General Semantics: An Introduction, History, Main Principles.	Lecture	In-house	04
02		Guided Discussion	In-house	02
03	Nationalism: Concept, History, Time Binding	Lecture	In-house	04
04	Indian Nationalism: Evolution, Issues and Problems: Part-I	Lecture	Guest	02
05	Indian Nationalism: Evolution, Issues and Problems: Part-II	Lecture	Guest	02
06	Indian Constitution: Meaning, Philosophy	Lecture	In-house	04
07	Understanding Nationalism in Constitutional Framework: Unraveling the Complication in General Semantics Way	Lecture	In-house	04
08		Guided Discussion	In-house	02
09	Insights into the Contemporary Debate over Nationalism and Constitution	Lecture	In-house	04
10		Guided Discussion	In-house	02
11	Total Hrs.			30

Sd/-

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Course Coordinator,
Member, NCGS

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Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar,
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Programme: 13 March – 27 March 2019 (11-Days: 30 Clock Hours)

Date / Time	Faculty	Syllabus	No. of Lectures
13/03/2019 12.00 to 03.00 pm	Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar	Introduction to General Semantics – I	03
14/03/2019 12.00 to 03.00	Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar	Introduction to General Semantics – II	03
15/03/2019 12.00 to 02.00	Dr. Chandrasheel Tambe	Concept of Nationalism	02
16/03/2019 12.00 to 02.00	Dr. Chandrasheel Tambe	History of Nationalism and Time-Binding	02
18/03/2019 12.00 to 02.00	Mr. Prashant Kelkar	Meaning and Philosophy of Indian Constitution – I	02
19/03/2019 12.00 to 02.00	Mr. Prashant Kelkar	Meaning and Philosophy of Indian Constitution – II	02
22/03/2019 12.00 to 02.00	Dr Namita Nimbalkar	Evolution of Indian Nationalism : Thoughts of Gandhi and Tagore	02
23/03/2019 12.00 to 02.00	Dr Harshad Bhosale	Issues and Problems of Indian Nationalism	02
25/03/2019 12.00 to 04.00	Dr. Chandrasheel Tambe	Contemporary Debates on Constitution	02
		Contemporary Debates on Nationalism	02
26/03/2019 12.00 to 04.00	Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar	Nationalism, Constitution and General Semantics: The Connections	02
		Putting Contemporary Debates on Nationalism and Constitution in the General-Semantics Perspective	02
27/03/2019 12.00 to 02.00	Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar	Limits of General-Semantics in Addressing the Contemporary Debate on Nationalism	02
27/03/2019 2.00 to 04.00	Dr. Chandrasheel Tambe	Nationalism, Constitution and General Semantics: Drafting the Memorandum	02

Venue: Room No. 218

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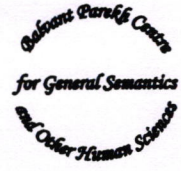
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LIST OF RESOURCE PERSONS

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Sr. No.	Name of the Faculty Member	Credentials
1	Dr. Namita Nimbalkar (Guest Faculty)	Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai, Mumbai
2	Dr. Harshad Bhosale (Guest Faculty)	Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, D. G. Ruparel College, Matunga
3	Dr. Prashant Kelkar	Vice-Principal, Associate Professor, Head, Department of Political Science, Smt. CHM College, Ulhasnagar
4	Dr. Chandrasheel Tambe	Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Smt. CHM College, Ulhasnagar
5	Dr. Dipesh Karmarkar	Assistant Professor, I/c Head, Department of Geography, Smt. CHM College, Ulhasnagar

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