



THIRD-YEAR OF BACHELOR OF COMMERCE MAJOR ACCOUNTANCY & BANKING REVISED SYLLABUS ACCORDING TO CBCS NEP 2020

COURSE TITLE: GEOPOLITICS AND TRADE
SEMESTER-VI, W.E.F. 2025-2026

**RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF STUDIES IN COMMERCE
AND**

APPROVED BY THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Devrukh Shikshan Prasarak Mandal's

Nya. Tatyasaheb Athalye Arts, Ved. S. R. Sapre Commerce, and
Vid. Dadasaheb Pitre Science College (Autonomous), Devrukh.
Tal. Sangmeshwar, Dist. Ratnagiri-415804, Maharashtra, India

Academic Council Item No: 02/2025

Name of the Implementing Institute	:	Nya. Tatyasaheb Athalye Arts, Ved. S. R. Sapre Commerce, and Vid. Dadasaheb Pitre Science College (Autonomous), Devrukh. Tal. Sangmeshwar, Dist. Ratnagiri-415804
Name of the Parent University	:	University of Mumbai
Name of the Programme	:	Bachelor of Commerce
Name of the Department	:	Commerce
Name of the Class	:	Third Year
Semester	:	Sixth
No. of Credits	:	04
Title of the Course	:	Geopolitics and Trade
Course Code	:	C310ACT
Name of the Vertical in adherence to NEP 2020	:	Major and Minor
Eligibility for Admission	:	Any Second Year B.Com Pass seeking Admission to Degree Programme in adherence to Rules and Regulations of the University of Mumbai and Government of Maharashtra
Passing Marks	:	40%
Mode of Assessment	:	Formative and Summative
Level	:	UG
Pattern of Marks Distribution for TE and CIA	:	60:40
Status	:	NEP-CBCS
To be implemented from Academic Year	:	2025-2026
Ordinances /Regulations (if any)		

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Paper No.— I

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Learning Outcomes Based on BLOOM's Taxonomy:

After completing the course, the learner will be able to...

Course Learning Outcome No.	Blooms Taxonomy	Course Learning Outcome
CLO-01	Understand	To provide an understanding of the relationship between geopolitics and global trade.
CLO-02	Apply	To analyze the influence of geopolitical decisions on international trade patterns.
CLO-03	Analyze	To explore the impact of regional and global politics on economic development.
CLO-04	Evaluate	To familiarize students with the key issues and challenges related to trade and geopolitics, especially in the context of rural economies.

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COURSE CONTENT			
Module No.	Content	Credits	No. of Lectures
1	Unit 1: Introduction to Geopolitics and Trade ● Definition and Scope of Geopolitics: Overview of geopolitics, its historical context, and its impact on global relations. ● The Role of Trade in Geopolitics: Understanding the relationship between political power, geography, and economic exchanges. ● Key Theories of Geopolitics and International Trade: Realism, Liberalism, Marxism, and their perspectives on trade. ● Geopolitical Issues Impacting Global Trade: Wars, conflicts, treaties, alliances, and how they shape global economic systems.	01	15
2	Unit 2: Key Global Players and Economic Powers ● Global Economic Powers: USA, China, the European Union, and their roles in global trade. ● Emerging Markets: BRICS countries and their increasing influence on global trade. ● Developing Economies and Rural Areas: How global trade affects rural economies, agricultural trade, and the challenges faced by rural markets in developing countries. ● Trade Agreements: WTO, free trade agreements, and their implications on the global economy.	01	15
3	Unit 3: Geopolitics and Trade in Asia and India ● India's Trade Policies: Analyzing India's foreign trade policies, its role in international organizations like WTO,	01	15

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	and regional trade agreements (SAFTA, BIMSTEC, etc.). ● Geopolitical Challenges in Asia: Impact of Sino-Indian relations, Middle Eastern conflicts, and Southeast Asian trade routes. ● Impact of Geopolitics on Rural India: How rural areas in India are affected by changes in trade policies and international relations. ● India's Rural Economy and Trade: Exports of agricultural products, handicrafts, and rural employment.		
4	Unit 4: Challenges and Opportunities in Global Trade ● Trade Barriers: Tariffs, quotas, and non-tariff barriers. ● Global Trade Wars: Trade disputes between major countries and their effects on rural economies. ● Opportunities for Rural Areas: How rural areas can capitalize on global trade opportunities like organic farming exports, handloom products, and rural tourism. ● The Future of Geopolitics and Trade: Emerging trends like regionalism, digital economies, and their implications for rural areas.	01	15
	Total	04	60

Access to the Course

The course is available for all the students admitted for Third Year Bachelor of Commerce.

Methods of Assessment

The assessment pattern would be 40:60, 60% for Semester End Examination (SEE) and 40% for Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA). The structure of the SEE and CIA would be as recommended by the Board of Studies and approved by the Board of Examination and the Academic Council of the college.

Term End Evaluation (60 Marks) Question Paper Pattern

Time: 2 hours

Question No.	Unit/s	Question Pattern	Marks
Q.1	All	MCQs or concepts	12
Q.2	I	Solve any Two out of Three	12
Q.3	II	Solve any Two out of Three	12
Q.4	III	Solve any Two out of Three	12
Q.5	IV	Solve any Two out of Three	12
Total			60

Internal evaluation (40 Marks)

Sr. No.	Description	Marks
1	Mid Term Examinations	20
2	Active Participation in teaching learning Process	10
3	Subject related activities as assigned by the teacher	10
Total		40

Grading Scale

The grading scale used is O to F. Grade O is the highest passing grade on the grading scale, and grade F is a fail. The Board of Examinations of the college reserves the right to change the grading scale.

References :

- “The World Economy: Global Trade Policy 2020” by R. C. Feenstra.
- “Economic Diplomacy and Trade in Emerging Markets” by R. C. Arora.

- “Globalization and its Discontents” by Joseph Stiglitz.
- “The World Trade Organization: A Very Short Introduction” by Amrita Narlikar.

- “India’s Trade Policy: An Analysis” by R. B. Bhagat.
- “Asia in the Global Economy: Development, Trade and Finance” by Peter J. Hill.

- “Geopolitics: A Very Short Introduction” by Klaus Dodds.
- “The Political Economy of International Trade” by Robert Baldwin.