Syllabus for Common Entrance Test (2018): M.A. Political Science

B. Subject Related 75 Questions all over the Syllabus:

1. **Principles of Political Science**
   
   Political Science: Definition, Nature and Scope.
   
   State and Theories of Origin of State, Elements of State.
   
   Sovereignty: Monist and Pluralist; Concept of Welfare State, Liberty, Equality, Rights & Justice.

2. **Indian Constitution and Indian Politics**
   
   Indian Constitution-Sources and Features, Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties and Directive Principles of State Policy.
   
   Union Executive - President, Vice-President, Prime Minister, Council of Ministers; State Executive- Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers.
   
   Union Legislature- Parliament-Composition and Functions; Speaker of Lok Sabha, Amendment Process; State Legislature-Vidhan Sabha; Panchayati Raj Institutions-History, Basic Features and 73rd Amendment.
   
   Judiciary-Supreme Court, High Courts, Judicial Review and Judicial Activism.
   
   Federalism and its Working with reference to Centre-State Relations, Demand For State Autonomy.
   
   
   Party System in India: National and Regional Political Parties, Interest and Pressure Groups.
   
   Role of Caste, Religion, Language and Regionalism in India.

3. **Political Theory**
   
   Modern concerns of Political Science, Behaviouralism and Post-Behaviouralism.
   
   
   Political Socialization, Political Culture and Ideology.

4. **Political Thinkers**
   
   **Western Political Thinkers**
   
   Plato & Aristotle
   
   Machiavelli
   
   Hobbes, Locke & Rousseau
   
   Bentham, J.S. Mill, Hegel and Karl Marx
   
   **Indian Political Thinkers**
   
   Mahatma Gandhi
J.P. Narayana
Ram Manohar Lohia
M.N. Roy

5. Comparative Politics
Comparative Politics-Definition, Nature and Scope; Comparative Method.
Approaches to the Study of Comparative Politics: Input-Out (David Easton),
Structural-Functionalism (G. Almond), Political Development (Lucian W. Pye),
Political Culture (G. Almond).

6. International Relations
Definition, Nature and Scope of the International Relations.
Approaches to the Study of International Relations: Idealist, Realist.
National Power: Definition, and Elements.
United Nations and Its Organs

B. General Awareness 25 Questions Covering the following:

- Current Affairs (National/International)
- Major Social/Economic/Political News
- Who’s Who/personalities
- Sports
- Books and Authors
- Awards and Honors
- Science – Inventions and Discoveries
- Popular Abbreviations
- Important Dates
- National/International Organizations