



INDIAN COTEMPORARY STATE ACTIVITY AND POLICY :  
A RESEARCH STUDY FROM POLITICAL SCIENCE CLASS ROOM

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“Change is the law of land “, from Red Fort to Resina hills, Indians had not contributed for the political thought during ancient and medieval periods on the state rule and administration is the general opinion. They fail to protect their boundaries. So, that is why, we find no political history and thought of Indians of their own. This one of the versions from the political science class room.

The above version of teaching in the political thought need to be analyzed in the light of contemporary state activity and policy. This research paper wanted to analyze whether the present Institution is covering the lapses propounded during the Moghul & the British periods. This paper also covers present Institutional message to the class room which does not have any vision.

The present question is that the state activity and message from National Capital does, it have such vision to cover the lapses and create new contribution to the class room on Indian contemporary vision of their own state activity.

The class room contents blamed the earlier rulers, policy makers, writers and researchers who failed to enlighten the, then society, to protect the state and institution.

Even in the present scenario, after 67 years of Indian own state activity and rule, it is suspected that there is no vision to cover the lapses of the earlier period.



The same General Knowledge and General Studies contents questions and versions which are taught in the present day class room. The same questions are also asked. For Example what is significance of Red Fort? Who built Red Fort? What is the significance of Indian Gate? Where do we celebrate our State Activity of August, 15 and Republic Day 26<sup>th</sup> January? It has now become an important debate regarding the celebration of Independence Day of Red Fort and Republic Day at India Gate. Both Red Fort and India Gate were the centers of state activity of Moghul and British period respectively. The question is that why we continue the same as state activity at these places even after 67 years of Independence. What is the new message the political science class room need?

Thus even though as lot of studies have been carried out on various thinkers and issues pertaining to modern Indian political thought, most of these studies mechanically and superficially make use of the conventional categorizations and reproduce the same unthought-of thoughts and judgments. Consequently, they do not help us in either articulating the genuine political questions that these thinkers struggled with or in understanding the resources they were drawing upon in their reasoning. And therefore, they also fail to help us in resolving out contemporary political problems. It's no surprise that post –independence period has not really thrown up any new thinker or produced genuinely new political concepts or thinking.

Independent day celebration at Red Fort – still we are depending on independents day celebration process on the earlier state activity of then Shajahan Moghul ruler's state activity. Circumstances on 15<sup>th</sup> August 1947, made the then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru to declare the Independent Day celebration at Red Fort, but even after 66 years first celebration, the same show is continuing. There is no vision on the part of present rulers to formulate their own state policy for initiating new activity.

The Moghul ruler Shajahan constructed the Red Fort as the part of their own state activity. Red Fort symbolizes historical state activity, which has no relevance to create new political thought but the political science need to provide answer for changing the contents of the syllabus and create new vision. We need not choose historical monuments like Berlin Wall, Egyptian Mummies to celebrate any state activity.



For Example; Karnataka State cannot celebrate its Independence Day at Andhra Pradesh or Kerala's Assemblies. Because each institution should have its own institution activity.

Why the Red Fort was historical? When it got historical? Who construct the Red Fort? These are our class room questions. Do you think these are relevant questions any more to teach for political thought to students? It may be historical monument; it is good to take as an historical monument in history class room point of view.

As Shajahan constructed Red Fort as centre of his state activity, it has been historical for the present rulers in India, It failed to create alternative political centre for their own political thought. There is an urgent need to some new contents to cover the lapses of Indian rulers and thinkers.

At the same time the celebration of Republic Day at India Gate also need to be reviewed from the point of view of the political science class room. It shows that they cling to the old centre of political activity which was represented by colonial rulers. No fresh state activity is initiated and fails to establish any new political policy to cover the lapse of earlier rulers, but the continuous identification of then state activity of colonial ruler is not good after 64 years of celebration of Republic Day.

We adopted our own Constitution framed by Indians and declared full sovereignty but not adopted our own state activity. Continuous celebration of National festival at the place of earlier state activity does not make any meaning in developing our own identity.

Then rulers of Moghul and British shown their own vision for establish their rule and administration with new innovation.

From the National Capital the same state activities are showing as massages for the class room, the same parliament house, Rastrapathi Bhavan do not create any vision on the part of present ruler and policy makers. So now the time has come to rethink and reconstruct



of our thought to create our own state policies with own cultural symbols of pride of the Modern India.

Today politics is tomorrow's history so let the politicians and policy makers should show vision in present polity to develop future history, in which the repetition of the earlier history should not be happened

Is there no need to build contemporary state activity for our own, reflecting the changing times and to change the contents of the teaching? It is the responsibility of the contemporary scholars, intellectuals, researchers in the political science forums to build an alternative frame works to address the urgent needs of the present day political state activity.

I want to highlight the need to shed some of the old concepts and to go on with the present scenario. Change is the law of the land, so let us search for the change from the Red Fort to Resina Hills.

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