

Government and Politics in Arunachal Pradesh

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Meaning

What is State Politics?

1. The study of the Politics of the Nation as a whole.
2. The Politics of the Constituent Political Unit popularly known as State.

Nature of State Politics

- Amalgamation of Tradition and Modernity
- Competitive Party System
- Factionalism
- Defections
- Political Instability
- Communalism
- Regionalism

Significance of State Politics

Why do we need to study State Politics?

- Cornerstone of Indian Federal System
- Diverse Profile of States
- Implementing agencies of National Development Plan
- Reorganisation of Indian Politics
- Variation in Internal Political Pattern
- Agent for Political Socialisation

Reading List

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