

Understanding India

VAC/104

Credits: 2

- Unit 1 The federal union – States and Union Territories. Society: The Land and its People – Unity in Diversity. Cultural Traditions.
- Unit 2 Indian independence and democracy. Governance. Constitutional Values. Fundamental Rights and Duties

Suggested readings

1. Basham, A.L. (2004). *The Wonder That Was India*. India: Picador.
2. Laxmikanth, M.(2020). *Indian Polity*. Chennai: McGraw Hill Education (India) Private Limited.
3. Basu, D.D.(2012). *Introduction to the Constitution of India*. Delhi: Wadhwa and Company, Law Publishers.
4. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Publications Division, Govt. of India. (2022). *India 2022 – A Reference Annual*.
5. Austin, Granville.(1999). *Working a Democratic Constitution- A History of the Indian Experience*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
6. Bevir, Mark. (2012). *Governance: A Very Short Introduction*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
7. Chakrabarty, Bidyut and Bhattachayra, Mohit (eds.) (2008). *The Governance Discourse: A Reader*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
8. Aggarwal, R.C. (2004). *Political Theory*. New Delhi: S. Chand Publishing.
9. Ram Ahuja (2018). *Society in India*. Jaipur: Rawat Publications.
10. Khilnani, Sunil. (2017). *The Idea of India*. United Kingdom: Farrar, Straus and Giroux.