Title of Course: Governance, Politics and Development
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General Reading List


Session 1: Introduction: Governance and Good Government

Essential reading


Supplementary reading


**Session 2: Understanding the State**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**


Centre for the Future State (2005), *Signposts to More Effective States. Responding to Governance Challenges in Developing Countries.*, IDS, Brighton.


Bradbury, M. (2008), *Becoming Somaliland*, Progresio


**Session 3: Finance and State Building**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**

(a) Aid


(b) Taxation


(c) The resource curse


Session 4: Democracy and Accountability

Essential reading


Supplementary reading


Session 5: Political Parties

Essential reading


Supplementary reading

1. Political Party Types and General Theory
   
   (a) General:


   (b) Authoritarian and Totalitarian Political Party Systems:


(c) *Ethnic Political Parties and Systems:*


(d) *Extreme and Far Right Parties:*


(e) *Foreign Aid and Assistance:*


2. Regions:

(a) *Advanced Democracies, the United States and Western Europe:*


(b) *Africa:*


(c) *The Communist and Post-Communist World:*


(d) *East Asia:*


(e) *Latin America:*


(f) *Middle East:*


(g) *South Asia:*

**Session 6: The State and Civil Society**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**

1. **General Theory:**
   
   (a) *General Civil Society Theory*:
   


   (b) *Political Culture and Civil Society*:


   (c) *Social Capital*:


2. Civil Society and Regime Types:

(a) Advanced Democracies:


(b) Developing Democracies:


(c) Authoritarian Regimes:


(d) *Transitional Regimes:*


**Session 7: The State and Economic Development**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**


Martinussen, J. (1998). 'The Limitations of the World Bank's Conception of the State', IDS Bulletin 29(2) (Special issue on 'The Bank, the State and Development').


**Session 8: The State and Business**

**Essential reading**


Supplementary reading


Session 9: Fragile States

Essential reading


Supplementary reading


Session 10: Globalisation and the State

Essential reading


Supplementary reading

(a) The Globalized World:


(b) Globalization Caveats and Critiques:


(c) **Globalization, Collective Action and State Cooperation:**


(d) **Global Civil Society:**


(e) **Globalization and Culture:**


(f)  *Globalization and Labour: Winners or Losers?*

