

ABSTRACT

There are different manifestations of political development, that were first given by the western political scientists, keeping in view the cultural and historical values of their own countries in mind. However, such manifestations in form of indicators and parameters could not be fully applied to the other political systems, such as that of China, in view of their entirely different historical backgrounds and the changing political dynamics with reference to 21st century. If such contrasting state systems are to be comparatively studied, using such western indicators, then it seems insufficient. This problem leads to the need for building of indicators for political development. It results in a study here that will comparatively study the state systems of USA and China with respect to the already existing political development discourse. There also is a need to analyze the political development discourse amidst the rise of China and gauging out the common indicators of political development in 21st century to analyze the two systems. Such aims result in the formation of queries, like if the west-centric discourse of political development is applicable to the non-western state systems and is there a need to reconceptualize the indicators of political development? There was also a need for common indicators to analyze the political development of contrasting state systems like of US and China and in searching for the efficacy of Chinese model of political development in being workable for other counties as an alternate to western model of political development. The constructivist-interpretative analysis method used here, incorporated the existing literature studies; thus, finding the answers to the suggestive questions and fulfilling the proposed objectives. The findings suggest that there does not already exist any comparative study of the contrasting state systems of USA and China using any common indicators. The suggested common indicators employed to study the two systems however, could not do justice with the study, as they portrayed the Western political system far more superior to the Chinese one. In the twenty first century, with the gradual rise of the Chinese political model, there is an ever-growing challenge to the western political system with its different characteristics. We see that the available political discourse that is inclined towards the western historical, political and cultural values, has proved to be inconsistent with the modern political needs. To compare the two contrasting systems on equal footing, a primary research based on quantitative methodology is further required.