

# **JEWISH DIASPORA**

## **BASIC COMPONENTS**

### **1. HISTORICAL MEMORY/COLLECTIVE CONSCIOUSNESS/ TRADITION**

**BIBLE/TALMUD/LITURGY**

**HISTORY: EXILE/RETURN**

### **2. ETHNIC/NATIONAL/RELIGIOUS IDENTITY:MEMBERSHIP RULES**

**JEWISH PEOPLE AS A NATION**

**JEWS AS RELIGIOUS CONGREGATION**

**HYPHENATED IDENTITIES**

### **3. MULTIGENERATIONAL**

**SURVIVAL OR ASSIMILATION?**

**DIASPORA OR ETHNIC MINORITY?**

**4. DEGREE OF POLITICAL  
SOVEREIGNTY OF HOMELAND**

**JEWISH OR FOREIGN SOVEREIGNTY**

**HOMELAND BORDERS AND  
SOVEREIGNTY**

**5. FORCED EXILE (GALUT) OR  
VOLUNTARY DISPERSION?**

**EXPULSION/CAPTIVITY**

**ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES**

**6. RELATIONSHIP WITH HOMELAND**

**DESIRE AND RIGHT TO RETURN**

**NATURE AND DEGREE OF TIES**

**BABYLON AND JERUSALEM**

**INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES**

**REMITTANCES**

## **7. DEGREE OF ASSIMILATION OR EXCLUSION IN HOST COUNTRY**

**IMMIGRATION POLICIES**

**SEGREGATION/ INTEGRATION**

**LANGUAGE**

**INDIVIDUAL VS. COMMUNAL RIGHTS  
POLITICAL AND SOCIAL STATUS**

**CONVERSION AND NATURALIZATION**

## **8. MULTIPLE DIASPORAS**

**BABYLONIA: 586 B.C.E**

**PERSIA AND ASIA MINOR**

**EGYPT AND ASIA MINOR**

**ROME: 70 C.E. AND 135 C.E.**

**SPAIN AND NORTH AFRICA**

**WESTERN AND EASTERN EUROPE**

**ASIA: INDIA, CHINA**

**AMERICAS**

**ISRAELI DIASPORA-YERIDA**

**OCCUPATIONS IN HOST COUNTRY**

## **9. MULTIPLE CULTURAL ADAPTATIONS**

**ARAMAIC, GREEK**

**ARABIC**

**LADINO AND YIDDISH**

**LANGUAGE OF HOST COUNTRY**

**HEBREW AS THE HOLY LANGUAGE**

## **10. COMMUNAL INSTITUTIONS**

**BIBLICAL: TEMPLE**

**ANTIQUITY: SYNAGOGUE**

**MEDIEVAL: COMMUNAL**

**ENLIGHTENMENT: HASKALAH  
AND INSTITUTIONAL/PLURALISM**

## **11. MODERN ZIONISM**

**RELIGIOUS: RETURN TO ZION**

**POLITICAL: JEWISH STATE TO  
PROTECT JEWS**

**CULTURAL: SPIRITUAL CENTER**

**LANGUAGE: HEBREW, YIDDISH**

## **12. DIASPORA AND HOMELAND TIES**

**CHARITABLE AND RELIGIOUS**

**WORLD ZIONIST ORGANIZATION**

**JEWISH AGENCY/SHADOW GOVT.**

**UNITED JEWISH APPEAL**

**POLITICAL/FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**DEMOGRAPHIC SHIFTS:**

**FROM USA TO ISRAEL**

## **13. UNIQUENESS AND UNIVERSALITY**

**ONLY DIASPORA TO ESTABLISH**

**MODERN STATE IN HOMELAND**

**DEMOCRACY OR THEOCRACY?**

**STATUS OF MINORITIES**

**JEWISH DIASPORA COMMUNITIES**

**COVER SPECTRUM OF**

**INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS**

**FOUND IN OTHER DIAPORAS**