

M.A./M.Sc. Part-I(DE) EXAMINATION, 2011

POLITICAL SCIENCE

COURSE - 1

(WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT)

Time : Two Hours

Full Marks : 50

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Answer question No.5 and any two from the rest.

1. What to Aristotle are the different forms of Constitution ? What are the causes of disorder/revolt in Consitution to him ? 10+10

2. What are the objective conditions in the state of nature to Hobbes ? How do poeple come out of the state of nature and create a Sovereign ? What to him are the attributes of a Sovereign ? 6+6+8

3. Comment on Hegel's notion of State with special reference to its internal structure. 20

4. Comment on Mill's 'On Liberty' in details. Why is Mill interested in limiting government authority ? 10+10

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 5+5

- (a) Education (Plato)
- (b) Establishment of Principalities (Machiavelli)
- (c) Locke's Social Contract
- (d) Capitalist Society (Marx).

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1. How would you differentiate between *Dharmashastra* and *Arthashastra*? What, according to Kautilya's *Arthashastra* are the qualities, functions and policies of an ideal king? 20

2. Explain the basic tenets of Gandhian concept of Satyagraha. Is Satyagraha as a method universally applicable? Give reasons for your answer. 14+6

3. Evaluate Subhas Chandra Bose's doctrine of Synthesis. Would you consider Subhas Bose as a fascist thinker? Give reasons. 14+6

4. Examine B. R. Ambedkar's views on origin of *shudras* in India and comment on his suggestions for uplifting the *shudras*. 10+10

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following :
5×2=10

- (a) Rammohun Roy's religious reforms.
- (b) Role of State in economic development (M.S. Ranade).
- (c) Aurobindo's concept of unity.
- (d) Savarkar's views 'Hindu rashtra'.

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COURSE - 3

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Answer question No. 5 and any two from the rest.

1. Examine critically the successive stages of Constitutional Development in India. 20
2. Examine critically the power and position of the Prime Minister in India with reference to his/her position in a coalition government. 20
3. Comment on the changing role of the bureaucracy in India. 20
4. Assess the position of the Governor of a state in India with reference to (a) his/her portrayal as an agent of the Centre, (b) his/her position as a representative of the state. 10+10
5. Write short notes on any two of the following : 5×2=10
 - (a) Moderates
 - (b) Centre-State financial relation
 - (c) Judicial Activism
 - (d) Decentralized Planning in India.

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COURSE - 4

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Answer question No.5 and any two from the rest.

1. Define the concept of 'Political development'. Point out the major stages of political developments in India. 6+14
2. Write a note on the system of coalition politics in West Bengal. 20
3. Write a note on the organisational structure and role of the Indian National Congress in the Indian political system. 20
4. How do you assess Mahatma Gandhi as a political leader? 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following : 5×2
 - (a) Dimensions of nation building in India.
 - (b) Impact of regionalism on Indian politics.
 - (c) Role of pressure groups in Indian politics.
 - (d) Classification of political parties in India.

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COURSE - 5

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Answer question No.5 and any two from the res

1. 'Public administration has developed as an academic field through a succession of five overlapping paradigms' – Identify the paradigms contributing to the evolution of public administration. 20

2. Critically discuss Max Weber's theory of bureaucracy. 20

3. Make an analysis of the behavioural approach to the study of public administration. 20

4. Examine the different forms of control in administration. 20

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 5×2

(a) Hierarchy.

(b) New public management.

(c) Leadership.

(d) Good governance.

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COURSE - 6

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Answer question No.5 and any two from the res

1. Make a critical appraisal of the changing dimensions of Development Administration. To what extent, the concept is relevant today ? 14+6

2. Make a critical assessment of the role of bureaucracy in the socio-economic development in India with special reference to the new strategy of public-private partnership in administration. 12+8

3. Examine the changing contour of the discourse on social security. Discuss, in this connection, the major social security provisions in India. 12+8

4. Discuss the existing arrangements for the redressal of citizens' grievances in India. Examine the main features of Lokpal and Lokayukta Bills of 1968 and 1990. 8+12

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 5×2

- (a) Prismatic sala.
- (b) Union Public Service Commission.
- (c) Planning-Programming-Budgeting System (PPBS).
- (d) Performance Audit.

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COURSE - 7

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Answer question No.5 and any two from the res

1. What do you understand by 'Inter-paradigmatic' debate ?
Explain the major crisis in which the debate is sunk ? 8+12=20
2. Examine the micro and macro-cosmic theory of conflict
in IR. 20
3. What is Globalisation ? Is it a variant of neo-liberal
capitalism or a new capitalism ? Examine critically. 6+4+10
4. Explain the various consequences of ethnic-
nationalism in modern world. Cite with case illustration and
examine its impact on the Third World States. 8+6+6

5. Write short notes on (any two) :

5×2

- (a) Counter terrorism.
- (b) Long Cycle perspective.
- (c) Ideologies in IR.
- (d) Rational decision-making theory.

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COURSE - 8

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Answer question No.5 and any two from the rest.

1. Point out the major features of post cold war international politics. 20
2. Write a note on the dimensions of globalisation in international politics. 20
3. Make an assessment of environmental issues in international politics. 20
4. Write a note on India's role in the United Nations. 20
5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 5×2
 - (a) The concept of Human Rights.
 - (b) Perspectives of terrorism.
 - (c) Post cold war international scenario.
 - (d) Concept of sustainable development.

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Answer question No.5 and any two from the res

1. Write a critical note on the debate about the decline as well as revival of political theory. 20
2. 'Structural-functionalism suffers from inherent limitations'. – Examine. 20
3. Analyse the nature of the state as developed in Marxist theory. 20
4. Do you agree with the view that the elite theory contains within itself the elements of classical theory and oligarchy ? Give reasons for your answer. 20

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 5×2

- (a) Positivism;
 - (b) Rational Actor Model;
 - (c) Agencies of Political Socialization;
 - (d) Historicism.
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