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MA 1st Semester (New) Exam. 2022 (W)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(*Recent Political Theory*)

[PGPS S1-01]

Full Marks : 70/80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

[Learners admitted in and after 2020 need to answer only Q.No. 1 to Q.No. 4 (total 70 marks)]

1. Answer any *five* from the following questions (each in around 50 words) : $2 \times 5 = 10$

   (*a*) Write two points highlighting the significance of political theory.

   (*b*) Write the meaning of a 'Nation'.

   (*c*) Write two points indicating the nature of neo-liberalism.

   (*d*) Point out two criticisms against the Elitist theory of Democracy.

   (*e*) Write the meaning of deliberative democracy.

   (*f*) Write about the counter-cyclical fiscal policy as advocated by J. M. Keynes.

2. Answer any *four* of the following questions (each in around 120 words) : $3 \times 4 = 12$

   (*a*) Write any three principles of libertarianism.

   (*b*) Distinguish between political theory and political thought.

(*c*) Write briefly about positive liberalism.

(*d*) Write briefly about the cultural revolution of Mao-Ze-dong.

(*e*) Write about the criticism levelled against Francis Fukuyama's concept of 'End of Theory'.

3. Answer any *four* of the following questions (each in arond 250 words) : $6 \times 4 = 24$

(*a*) Explain the features of the Marxian approach to politics.

(*b*) Explain John Rawls' theory of justice with respect to the principle of Liberty, the principle of fair equality of opportunity and the difference principle.

(*c*) Write the meaning of neo-liberalism. Mention any four criticisms levelled against neo-liberalism. 2+4 = 6

(*d*) Write briefly about the feminist perspective on justice.

(*e*) Write about the mechanism for making liberal democracy practicable.

4. Answer any *three* of the following questions (each in around 300 words) : $8 \times 3 = 24$

(*a*) Discuss Lenin's views on imperialism.

(*b*) Explain Antonio Gramsci's concept of civil society.

(*c*) Discuss the concept of communitarianism.

(*d*) Describe any six factors of rationalism.

(Q. No. 5 is only for learners admitted before 2020)

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions (in around 350 words) : $10 \times 1 = 10$

(*a*) Explain the concept of classical liberalism. Present a critical evaluation of liberalism. 6+4 = 10

(*b*) Write the meaning of nation and nationalism. Explain the different kinds of nationalism. 4+6 = 10