

2018/TDC/ODD/PLSC-101T/045

TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2018

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(1st Semester)

Course No. : PLSHCC-101T

(Understanding Political Theory)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

Answer **all** questions

UNIT—I

1. Answer any two questions of the following :

2×2=4

- (a) Write George H. Sabine's definition of Political Theory.
- (b) Mention two differences between negative liberalism and positive liberalism.
- (c) Point out two features of Conservatism.

(2)

2. (a) What is Political Theory? What are its functions? 5+5=10

Or

- (b) Discuss any three principles of Marxism. Is Marxism relevant today? 6+4=10

UNIT—II

3. Answer any *two* questions of the following : 2×2=4

- (a) What is Normative Political Theory?
 (b) Mention two criticisms against the Historical Approach to Political Theory.
 (c) Write two characteristics of Empirical Political Theory.

4. (a) Discuss the features of the Historical Approach to Political Theory. What is the importance of the Historical Approach? 6+4=10

Or

- (b) What are the main points of differences between Normative Political Theory and Empirical Political Theory? In what category do you place modern political theory? 6+4=10

(3)

UNIT—III

5. Answer any *two* questions from the following : 2×2=4

- (a) What is the difference between sex and gender?
 (b) Mention any two types of Feminism.
 (c) What is meta-narrative?

6. (a) Critically examine the main features of Feminism. 10

Or

- (b) Write a note on post-modernism in Political theory.

UNIT—IV

7. Answer any *two* questions from the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Write a definition of democracy.
 (b) Give two reasons why direct democracy is not possible in India.
 (c) Write two safeguards of democracy.

(4)

8. (a) Explain the evolution and growth of democracy as an ideal. 10

Or

- (b) What is Procedural Democracy? Is Substantive Democracy an improvement over Procedural Democracy? $4+6=10$

UNIT—V

9. Answer any *two* questions of the following :

$2 \times 2 = 4$

- (a) Mention the names of two exponents of Deliberative Democracy.
- (b) Define Political Participation.
- (c) Write two methods of Minority Representation.

10. (a) Discuss the features of Deliberative Democracy. 10

Or

- (b) What is Representation? Is representation a pre-condition of democracy? $4+6=10$

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2018/TDC/ODD/PLSC-102T/046

TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2018

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(1st Semester)

Course No. : PLSHCC-102T

**(Constitutional Government and
Democracy in India)**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

UNIT—I

1. Answer any two questions of the following :

2×2=4

- (a) Mention two features of the Indian Constitution.
- (b) When was the Constitution of India enacted and from which date did it come into operation?
- (c) Mention two socialist principles from the Directive Principles of State Policy.

(2)

2. (a) Discuss the meaning and significance of the Preamble of the Indian Constitution. 10

Or

- (b) What are the Fundamental Rights enshrined in the Constitution of India? Distinguish between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of the State Policy. 6+4=10

UNIT—II

3. Answer any *two* questions of the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Who becomes the Prime Minister of India? Who administers his oath of office?
(b) What are the different types of ministers in the Union Council of Ministers?
(c) How is the President of India elected?

4. (a) How is the Prime Minister of India appointed? Discuss his powers and functions. 2+8=10

Or

- (b) Critically discuss the emergency powers of the President of India. 10

(3)

UNIT—III

5. Answer any *two* questions of the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Mention two powers of the Speaker of the Lok Sabha.
(b) Mention two special powers of the Rajya Sabha.
(c) What is the Advisory Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of India?

6. (a) Discuss the composition and functions of the Lower House of the Indian Parliament. 2+8=10

Or

- (b) Discuss the composition and jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of India. 2+8=10

UNIT—IV

7. Answer any *two* questions of the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Mention two subjects of the Union List.
(b) Mention two emergency provisions of the Constitution of India.
(c) Under what circumstances can the Union Government make laws on the subjects of the State List?

8. (a) Indian Constitution is federal in form but unitary in spirit. Discuss. 10

Or

- (b) Discuss the division of executive powers between the Centre and the States. 10

UNIT—V

9. Answer any *two* questions of the following :

2×2=4

- (a) Mention two features of the 73rd (Constitution) Amendment Act.
- (b) What are the different forms of Local Self-Government in India?
- (c) Mention two functions of Municipal Board.

10. (a) Discuss the composition and functions of Gram Panchayat. 2+8=10

Or

- (b) How is the Autonomous District Council in Assam Constituted? Discuss its powers and functions. 2+8=10

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