

**2021/TDC/CBCS/ODD/
POLHCC-501T/190**

**TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2021
held in March, 2022**

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(5th Semester)

Course No. : POLHCC-501T

(Classical Political Philosophy)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

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

SECTION—A

Answer any *ten* questions : 2×10=20

1. Mention two features of ancient Greek political thought.
2. What did Socrates mean by 'know thyself'?
3. Point out any two criticisms levelled against Sophism.
4. What is justice according to Plato?

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5. Who formed the 'Guardian class' according to Plato?
6. Name two books written by Plato.
7. What are the two virtues according to Aristotle?
8. What is meant by Aristotle's best state?
9. Mention any two qualifications of a good citizen as prescribed by Aristotle.
10. Why is Machiavelli regarded as the first modern political thinker?
11. How the 'Prince' should be according to Aristotle?
12. How did Machiavelli view human nature?
13. How did Hobbes view the picture of State of Nature?
14. Which rights are 'natural' according to Locke?
15. What type of sovereign authority did Locke plead for?

SECTION—B

Answer any *five* questions : 10×5=50

16. What is Sophism? Explain briefly the teachings and views of the Sophists. 3+7=10

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17. "Virtue is knowledge." Explain the political thought of Socrates in the light of the given statement. 10
18. How far is it justified to brand Plato as the 'Enemy of the open society' (Karl Popper)? 10
19. Make a critical analysis of Plato's theory of Philosopher King. 10
20. Critically analyse Aristotle's theory of virtue. 10
21. How did Aristotle criticise Plato's theory of justice? Explain Aristotle's theory of justice and point out its limitations. 2+5+3=10
22. Analyse Machiavelli's contribution to political thought. 10
23. How did Machiavelli view virtue? Critically analyse Machiavelli's thought on virtue. 3+7=10
24. Critically examine Hobbes' theory of social contract. 10
25. Analyse Locke's theory of property and point out its limitations. 7+3=10

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Course No. : POLHCC-502T

(Indian Political Thought)

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SECTION—A

Answer any *ten* of the following questions : 2×10=20

1. What are the two broad streams of Indian Political Thought?
2. Which two traditions were at the centre of *Mahabharata*?
3. Mention two major sources of ancient Indian political thought.

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4. Who composed *Mahabharata*? Does *Mahabharata* support royal absolutism?
5. What were the two basic ideals to be followed by the king as mentioned in *Mahabharata*?
6. How many Parvas are there in *Mahabharata*?
7. Mention the names of two early political thinkers of ancient Indian political thought.
8. Mention any two sources of law identified by Manu.
9. Mention the name of the book Manu authored. Did he support Varna system?
10. Who was Barani? When did he write his chronicle?
11. Who were the Delhi Sultans, when Barani visited India?
12. Did Barani reconcile state and religion?
13. Where was Abul Fazal born? Name his great work.
14. Did Abul Fazal support universal religion?
15. Who was Kabir?

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SECTION—B

Answer any five questions :

10×5=50

16. Explain the significance of different schools of thought in ancient India's political tradition.
17. What are the differences between Islamic and syncretic tradition? Examine critically the Islamic tradition. 3+7=10
18. Explain the significance of *Mahabharata* as a link between Dharmashastra and Arthashastra traditions of Indian political thought.
19. Discuss the concept of 'Rajdharm' as mentioned in 'Shanti Parva'.
20. Write a note on Kautilya's contribution to India's political thought.
21. Make a comparative study of Manu and Kautilya.
22. Critically examine Barani's views on ideal polity and justice.
23. Discuss Barani's contribution to medieval political thought.

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- 24.** Critically evaluate Abul Fazal's views on monarchy.
- 25.** What is Sufism? Discuss the main teachings of Sufism. 2+8=10
