

2015

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Major)

Paper : 1.1

(Political Theory)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Define Political Theory. Analyse the relevance of political theory. 3+7=10

Or

Explain the significance of legal and institutional approach to the study of Political Science. 10

2. Define Political Power. Do you think the concept of political power is a key concept in the study of politics? Explain. 3+7=10

Or

"If we think of power as a naked sword, authority is a sword in its scabbard." Explain. 10

3. Define Ideology. Focus on the end of ideology debate. 3+7=10

Or

Why is the State considered as central in political theory? Critically assess the Marxian concept of State. 5+5=10

4. What do you understand by the Relative Autonomy of the State? Has this autonomy been eroded with the consolidation of globalization? Explain. 3+7=10

Or

Define Ideological Power. Assess the importance of ideological power. 5+5=10

5. Write short notes on any *four* of the following : 5×4=20

(a) Importance of economic power

(b) Post-behavioural revolution

(c) Gandhian perspective on State

(d) Importance of legitimacy

(e) Class as a source of power

6. Write very briefly on the following : $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) Two features of historical approach
- (b) Two tenets of behaviouralism according to David Easton
- (c) Significance of authority
- (d) Importance of liberalism
- (e) Two arguments in favour of De jure sovereignty

7. Answer the following as directed : $1 \times 10 = 10$

(a) State is the

- (i) coercive power structure of a society
- (ii) legitimate and aggregate power structure of a society
- (iii) religious power structure of a society
- (iv) embodiment of **divine peace**

(Choose the correct option)

(b) Civil society is notion propagated by

- (i) Liberalism
- (ii) Marxism
- (iii) Fascism
- (iv) Nazism

(Choose the correct option)

- (c) Neoliberalism propagates
- (i) abolition of State
 - (ii) reducing the power of State
 - (iii) strengthening the State
 - (iv) None of the above
- (Choose the correct option)
- (d) Who is the author of the book, *Power—A New Social Analysis*?
- (e) In which year Marx and Engels founded the Communist League?
- (f) Who were the early exponents of liberalism?
- (g) Define traditional authority.
- (h) What are the twin slogans of post-behaviouralism?
- (i) Who is the author of the book, *Contemporary Political Philosophy : An Introduction* ?
- (j) Who is the first exponent of sovereignty?

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Paper : 1.2

(Politics in India)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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1. Discuss the impact of colonial rule on the making of the Indian Constitution with special reference to the Act of 1935. 10

Or

Discuss the legacy of the National Movement in constitutional development and its impact on politics in India. 10

2. Comment on the ideals and aspirations expressed in the Preamble of the Indian Constitution. 10

Or

Examine the importance of the Fundamental Rights in empowerment of citizens in India with special reference to the rights of weaker sections of society. 10