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POLITICAL SCIENCE

Paper : PSCHC5116

(Classical Political Theory)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : Three hours

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

1. Choose the correct answer : **(any six)** 1×6=6

(a) From the following which book was not written by Plato ?

(A) Republic

(B) Law

(C) Statesman

(D) Leviathan

Contd.

(b) Who said, "Justice consists in speaking the truth and paying one's debt" ?

- (A) Glaucon
- (B) Thrasymachus
- (C) Cephalus
- (D) Plato

(c) Who said, "Aristotle's best state is Plato's second best state" ?

- (A) Zeller
- (B) Montesquieu
- (C) John Rawls
- (D) Sabine

(d) According to Aristotle which form of government is the worst form of government ?

- (A) Democracy
- (B) Polity
- (C) Aristocracy
- (D) Oligarchy

(e) In which year did Machiavelli write his *The Prince* ?

- (A) 1510
- (B) 1511
- (C) 1512
- (D) 1513

(f) Which book was written by Machiavelli ?

- (A) *Discourses*
- (B) *Leviathan*
- (C) *Social Contract*
- (D) *Politics*

(g) Which book from the following was not written by Hobbes ?

- (A) *Decorpore*
- (B) *Deceive*
- (C) *De Homine*
- (D) *Social Contract*

(h) Which factor according to Hobbes is not responsible for conflict in state of nature ?

(A) Competition

(B) Glory

(C) Differences

(D) Equality

(i) Who said, "Men are basically good, descent, peace-loving, non-quarrelsome" ?

(A) Aristotle

(B) Hobbes

(C) Locke

(D) Rousseau

(j) Which of the following is not a cause of revolution according to Aristotle ?

(A) Fear

(B) Contempt

(C) Fraud

(D) Sacrifice

2. Answer the following : **(any five)** 2×5=10

(a) Why Machiavelli considered that religion should be separated from politics ?

(b) What do you mean by absolute sovereignty ?

(c) Why individual left the state of nature according to Locke ?

(d) What was the main objective of Plato's education ?

(e) Who were not considered as 'citizens' according to Aristotle ?

(f) Why Machiavelli proposed two different standards of morality ?

(g) What is Hobbes's views on human nature ?

3. Write short notes on the following : **(any six)**

5×6=30

(a) Locke's human nature

(b) Machiavelli's suggestions to the Prince regarding retention of power

- (c) Hobbes's views on rights and liberty
 - (d) Platonic system of education
 - (e) Aristotle's concept of citizenship
 - (f) Aristotle's views on justice
 - (g) Machiavelli as a modern thinker
 - (h) Hobbes on sovereignty
 - (i) Locke on revolution
 - (j) Differences between Aristotle and Plato
4. Answer **any two** of the following : $10 \times 2 = 20$
- (a) Critically examine the contribution of John Locke to the political philosophy.
 - (b) Discuss critically Plato's concept of ideal state.
 - (c) Who is philosopher king ? Discuss the features of Plato's philosopher king.
 - (d) Examine Locke's theory of social contract.

5. Answer **any one** of the following : $14 \times 1 = 14$
- (a) Give a critical assessment of Plato's concept of communism.
 - (b) Examine Aristotle's concept on classification of constitutions.
 - (c) Critically analyse Machiavelli's contributions to political thought.
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