

POLITICAL SCIENCE

FIRST PAPER

Full Marks : 200

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Comment on any three of the following: 10x3=30
- (a) "Plato is anti-individualist, anti-humanist and anti-democratic, having the aim of arresting all social change."  
(Proper
  - (b) Was Aristotle's support of slavery unconditional? Can he be regarded as a reformer of slavery?
  - (c) "The contract theory gives neither a satisfactory clue to history nor a sound political philosophy." (Vaughan)
  - (d) "The state is an instrument of oppression in the hands of the capitalist class and originates in class conflict." (Marx)
  - (e) "I believe in non-violent communism (Mahatma Gandhi)
2. Examine the behavioural approach to the study of political science. 30

Or

Discuss the type of Government and sovereignty advocated by Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau.

3. Do you think that strict separation of power is practicable as a working principle of government? IF so, does it desirable in practice? 30



(2)

Or

What is Authority? Why does subordinate obey the order of a superior authority? What are the sanctions behind the authority?

4. Highlight the differences between any two of the following :

15x2=30

- (a) De jure and De facto sovereignty
- (b) Political and Economic equality
- (c) Gandhiji's spiritualism and Marx's materialism
- (d) Democracy and Dictatorship

5. Examine the theory of sovereignty.

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Or

What was the role of Mahatma Gandhi in the eradication of untouchability and to what extent did he influence the framers of the constitution and government policy in this regard?

6. Analyse Plato's theory of justice. How will you distinguish it from Aristotle's theory of justice?

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Or

Discuss features of parliamentary and presidential form of government and also discuss their comparative merits and demerits.

7. Highlight the significant contribution of the given thinkers

(any two):

10x2=20

- (a) T. H. Green.
- (b) David Easton
- (c) Montesquieu
- (d) Gamer

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