

2007

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Tenth Paper

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

Answer *any two* questions from question nos. 1 to 4 and also answer question no. 5.

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. 'The new developments of Comparative Politics have put an end to parochialism'.—Explain, in the light of this statement, the meaning, nature and the scope of Comparative Politics as a field of study. 20

2. Write a critical note on the Behavioural Approach to the study of Comparative Politics. 20

3. Do you agree with the view that patterns of socialization in a society can either be unifying or divisive? Give reasons for your answer. 20

4. How far is it correct to say that social movements are the product of social change? Argue your case fully. 20

5. Write short notes on *any two* : 5 × 2

- (a) 'Elective Polyarchy'.
- (b) 'Authoritative Allocation of values'.
- (c) 'Circulation of Elites'.
- (d) Consociationalism.

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Eleventh Paper

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

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Answer *any one* question from question no. 1 and  
*any one* from question no. 2.

1. Discuss the methodological assumptions of Thomas Kuhn for the development of scientific knowledge. Do you accept those assumptions as valid for the development of scientific knowledge? Argue.  $10+10=20$

Or,

Define a hypothesis. Discuss in brief the steps one should follow while developing a hypothesis. What are the characteristics of a good hypothesis?  $2+10+8$

2. Answer *any one* of the following :  $1 \times 20 = 20$

(a) Marks obtained by 12 students in the physics test (X) and the chemistry test (Y) are as follows :  $20$

X : 41 45 50 68 47 77 90 100 80 100 40 43

Y : 60 63 60 48 85 56 53 91 74 98 65 43

What is your estimate of the marks a student could have obtained in the Chemistry test if he obtained 60 in the Physics test but was ill at the time of the Chemistry test?

Or,

(b) Find the coefficient of correlation from the following data :

X	65	63	67	64	68	62	70	66
Y	68	66	68	65	69	66	68	65

3. Attempt *any one* of the following:  $1 \times 5$

(a) Calculate the mode of the following distribution :

I.Q.	Number of students
55 — 64	5
65 — 74	7
75 — 84	9
85 — 94	2
95 — 104	3
105 — 114	10
115 — 124	12
125 — 134	9
135 — 144	2

(b) Ten students obtained the following marks in Political Science and Statistics. Calculate the Spearman's correlation coefficient.  $5$

Student : 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Marks in

Political Science : 78 36 98 25 75 82 90 62 65 39

Marks in

Statistics : 84 51 91 60 68 62 86 58 53 47

4. Attempt *any one* of the following :  $1 \times 5 = 5$

(a) Likert scale.

(b) Types of Interview.

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Twelfth Paper

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

Answer *any two* questions from question nos. 1 to 4 and also answer question no. 5.

1. Give an account of the Feminist tradition of political theory with special reference to the different schools of Feminism. 20

2. Discuss different ways of analysing two kinds of freedom. Offer your comment on the interrelationship of the two kinds of freedom. 12+8

3. Does John Rawls provide two different theories of justice? Give reasons for your answer. 20

4. Critically discuss the idea of Equilibrium Democracy. 20

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following: 5×2

(a) Sociology of knowledge (Mannheim).

(b) Distinction between the civil and the political obligation

(c) Nozick on entitlement.

(d) Republican theory of government.

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Thirteenth Paper

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

Answer question no. 5 and *any two* from the rest.

1. Examine the contribution of Ricardo and Marx to the discipline of Classical Political Economy.

2. Examine the process in which capitalism is developing in the Third World/Developing Countries. How is this development different from the Western European experience ?

3. Critically comment on the contents of Hobson's *Imperialism : A Study* published in 1902.

4. Analyse in details the concept of Asiatic Mode of Production.

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following :

(a) The State and Economy (Adam Smith).

(b) Keynes and Neo-classical Economics.

(c) Lenin and the State.

(d) Japan after Meiji Restoration.

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**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Paper—14

Group D

(Indian State and Society)

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

Answer any two questions from question nos. 1 to 4 and also answer question no. 5.

1. How would you explain the origins of under-development? Briefly indicate the features of under-development in India. 8+12

2. Evaluate the programmes for poverty alleviation in rural India since the Sixth Five Year Plan with reference to self-employment and wage-employment programmes. 20

3. Examine the New Industrial Policy of 1991 with reference to the issue of reform of the Public Sector. Is this policy different from earlier Industrial Policies? 16+4

4. "The first thing that strikes one... in the Indian scene is the plurality and heterogeneity of these (*dominant proprietary*) classes, and the conflicts in their interests are sufficiently important ..." (Pranab Bardhan)—Examine,

in the light of the statement, the nature and role of dominant classes in India. 20

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following :

$5 \times 2 = 10$

(a) Problem of unemployment in India.

(b) Idea of mixed economy.

(c) Nature of agricultural backwardness.

(d) R. Kothari's views on Indian State.

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**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Paper—15(D)

(Indian State and Society)

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—~~42~~<sup>50</sup>*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

Answer question no. 5 and any two from the rest.

1. Comment on the chief characteristics of the party system that has emerged in India since the turn of the century. 20 ~~10~~

2. Trace the evolution, growth and performance of the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) in contemporary India. Comment on its ideology. 14+6 ~~10+6~~

3. Trace the growth of the AIADMK in Tamil Nadu since its formation. Do you agree that populism is a part of AIADMK ideology? 14+6 ~~10+6~~

4. Comment on the origin, growth and performance of the Telugu Desam Party in Andhra Pradesh. 12+4

5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 5+5+10  
5+5

(a) The Congress System (Kothari).

(b) The Bharatiya Jana Sangh (BJS).

(c) The limits of the BJP.

(d) The Ideology of the Shiv Sena.



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Paper—17

Group D

(Indian State and Society)

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

Answer *any two* from question nos. 1 to 4 and also answer question no. 5.

1. "Politics in West Bengal has been multi-layered".  
—Examine the statement pointing out the nature of politics in West Bengal. 20

2. Write a critical note on the nature, course and direction of Congress politics in West Bengal since 1977. 20

3. "Peasant movements in West Bengal have added new dimensions to West Bengal politics in contemporary situation".—Analyse. 20

4. Examine the impact of different poverty alleviation programmes on the nature of politics in West Bengal. 20

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following :

5×2=10

(a) The United Front experiences in West Bengal.

(b) INTUC in West Bengal.

(c) Gram Sabha.

(d) Features of regional movements in West Bengal.

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Paper—18

Group D

(Indian State and Society)

Time—Two hours

Full Marks—50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

Answer *any two* from question nos. 1 to 4 and also answer question no. 5.

1. Point out the important determinants and features of state politics in India. 10+10=20
2. Do you find any relationship between religion and politics in Indian state politics ? 20
3. Draw a sketch of tribal development in Indian states. 20
4. Write a note on the pattern of state politics in Bihar. 20
5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 5×2=10
  - (a) National Conference
  - (b) Akali Dal
  - (c) Shiv Sena
  - (d) Defection in state politics.

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COURSE - 10

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks*

Answer any *two* questions from question nos. 1 to 4  
and also answer question No.5

1. Examine the nature and scope of comparative politics as a field of political enquiry. 20
2. Define Constitutionalism. What are its basic elements. 6+14
3. Critically examine the Elite theory. What are its limitations? 14+6
4. Review the nature and context of liberal and Marxist concepts of social change. 20
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 2x5=10
  - a) Elements of classical political economy.
  - b) Freedom and Authority — Areas of conflict.
  - c) Hegemonic classes.
  - d) Informal role of a political party.

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COURSE - II

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks*

1. Discuss the basic assumptions of Francis Bacon's method of 'Novum Organum'. How did David Hume react to this? Trace the linearity, if any, in Hume's 'Scepticism' and Popper's 'fallibilism'. 8+4+8

*Or,*

2. Make an estimate of the desirability and possibility of objectivity in social research. 20

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 1x20=20

a) The table given below shows the values of two variables age and height :

Age	: 10	12	13	17	18	20	21	24	28	35
Height	: 3.0	3.23	3.6	2.9	3.9	4.6	5.3	5.7	5.9	3.9

(in feet)

Find the estimate of heights assuming that  $y = f(x)$ . 20

b) The figures below shows the marks of 4 subjects :

Sub A	: 38	40	35	46	51	62	65	43	59	56
Sub B	: 40	42	49	52	53	56	—	—	—	—
Sub C	: 74	75	69	62	43	78	76	64	65	59
Sub D	: 66	68	58	56	54	55	53	48	44	38

[Turn over

Calculate whether the marks vary significantly and if so, apply Scheffe's technique to find out as to where they differ significantly. 20

4. Attempt any **one** of the following : 1x5=5

a) Calculate Pearson's Product Moment correlation coefficient from the following data :

A : 18 25 30 32 34 38 40

B : 35 30 28 25 30 24 20

b) Calculate harmonic mean from the table given below :

Data	:	50	55	59	64	33	39	43	58
Frequency	:	2	1	5	3	4	2	1	4

5. Write short notes on any **one** : 1x5=5

a) Quasi Participant Observation.

b) Explication of Concept.

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COURSE - 12

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks*

Answer any *two* questions from question *nos. 1 to 4*  
and also answer question *No.5*

1. Discuss major premises of Republicanism relating to theories of freedom and government. 20
2. Would you agree with the view that Green political ideas are more useful as standards to evaluate current political ideas and practices than as an alternative political ideology? Discuss. 20
3. In what sense does the Marxist concept of ideology differ from those of the pre-Marxist concepts of ideology? How did Marx explain origin, development and nature of ideology? 20
4. Compare and contrast the Equilibrium model of Liberal Democracy with the model of Participatory Democracy. 20
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 2x5=10
  - a) Post-Liberalism
  - b) 'End of History'
  - c) Radical Feminism
  - d) Fair equality of opportunity (Rawls)

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**COURSE - 13**

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks*

Answer question *No.5* and any *two* from the rest.

1. Examine the contribution of Marx to the discipline of Classical Political Economy. How is Marx different from his predecessors? 15+5
2. Critically examine the theories of development that emerged in the aftermath of the Second World War with a focus on the most recent theories. 20
3. Discuss in brief the manner in which capitalism developed in Japan after the Meiji restoration of 1868. How was this development different from that of Western Europe? 15+5
4. Examine the classical and contemporary contributions of the Marxists to the debate on the state. 20
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 5+5
  - a) Adam Smith on the importance of Division of Labour
  - b) Feudalism in Western Europe
  - c) Hobson on Imperialism
  - d) Decline of Classical Political Economy



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COURSE - 15 (D)

( Indian State and Society )

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks*

Answer question *No.5* and any *two* from the rest.

1. Trace the origins and development of the Congress Party since independence with reference to the changes that took place in the Congress party after the historic split of 1969. Comment on the decline of the party since the 1980s? 15+5
2. Comment on the growth and expansion of the BJP since the late 1980s. Is the expansion of Bharatiya Janata Party adequate in terms of its social and regional basis of support? How far the growth of the BJP has altered the nature of the party system in India? 10+5+5
3. Comment on the condition of the Left in India. What are the ideological differences that exist among the various groups of the Indian Left? Comment on the problems that it confronts in Indian politics? 10+5+5
4. What is meant by the term Regional Party? What are the reasons behind the emergence of Regional Parties? Comment on its recent expansion. 5+10+5
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 5+5=10
  - a) Origins of the TDP
  - b) Deficiencies of the BSP
  - c) DMK-AIADMK Differences
  - d) The AGP in Assam

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COURSE - 14 (D)

( Indian State and Society )

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks*

Answer any *two* questions from question *nos. 1 to 4*  
and also answer question *No.5*

1. How far is it true that British Colonial rule was responsible chiefly for economic under-development of India? Answer with reference to the issues of decline of trade and 'deindustrialisation' of India. 20
2. What are the proclaimed objectives of Indian planning? Would you agree with the view that the present policy of liberalisation abandons basic objectives of planning? 12+8
3. Examine the strategies employed by the Government of India for the development of agriculture in India. do these strategies adversely affect the interests of small and marginal farmers? 14+6
4. Examine liberal views about the nature of state in India with reference to the views of G. Myrdal and Rajni Kothari. 20
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 2x5=10
  - a) Nature of technological backwardness in India.
  - b) Swarna Jayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana.
  - c) New Industrial Policy, 1991.
  - d) Role of rich farmers in Indian politics.

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**COURSE - 17 (D)**

**( Indian State and Society )**

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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Answer any *two* questions from question *nos. 1 to 4*  
and also answer question *No.5*

1. Bring out the essential features of West Bengal politics since 1977. 20
2. Make a critical assessment of the trends in left politics in West Bengal. 20
3. Do you agree with the view that radical left politics has added new dimensions to West Bengal politics? Give reasons for your answer. 20
4. Examine the nature and impact of land reforms on West Bengal politics. 20
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 2x5=10
  - a) The Jugantar Group within the Congress Party
  - b) "Politics of Ghost Machine".
  - c) "Operation Barga".
  - d) "Policy of Mediated Mobilization".

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COURSE - 18

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50

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Answer any *two* questions from question *nos. 1 to 4*  
and also answer question *No.5*

1. Write a note on the theoretical framework for the study of state politics in India. 20
2. Make a critical assessment of the problems of Tribal education in India. 20
3. Make an assessment of the Gorkhaland agitation in West Bengal. 20
4. Make a comparative study of the patterns of State Politics in the states of Bihar and U.P. 20
5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 2x5=10
  - a) Asom Gana Parishad
  - b) Anandpur Sahib Resolution
  - c) Telegu Desam Party
  - d) AIADMK