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1 SEM TDC PSCH (CBCS) C 2

2021

(Held in January/February, 2022)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Core)

Paper : C-2

**(Constitutional Government and
Democracy in India)**

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Answer the following as directed : 1×8=8

(a) Which right was described by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar as 'the heart and soul of the Constitution'?

(b) From which Constitution, the Constituent Assembly borrowed the scheme of Indian Federation?

(2)

- (c) Mention one occasion for which a Joint Session of the Parliament is held.
- (d) What is the minimum age limit to become the Vice President of India?
- (e) The age of retirement of the Judges of the High Court is 60/62/65 years.

(Choose the correct answer)

- (f) Who can act as the President in the absence of the President and the Vice President of India?

- (g) The Union List contains ____ Subjects.

(Fill in the blank)

- (h) How many seats are reserved for women in Panchayats by 73rd Amendment of the Constitution of India?

2. Answer the following (within 150 words each) :

4×4=16

- (a) Briefly discuss about the basic structure of the Constitution of India.
- (b) Write a note on the power of 'Judicial Review' of the Supreme Court of India.
- (c) Point out the major areas of Centre-State tensions in India.
- (d) Mention four characteristics of the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act.

(3)

3. Discuss the major provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935. 11

Or

Whether the Preamble is a part of the Constitution? Discuss the significance of the Preamble of the Constitution of India. 1+10=11

4. How is the Prime Minister of India appointed? Discuss the powers and functions of the Prime Minister of India. 2+9=11

Or

Discuss about the election procedure of the President of India. Why is indirect process adopted for his/her election? 8+3=11

5. What do you mean by Public Interest Litigation? Discuss its nature in India. 5+6=11

Or

Discuss the composition, powers and functions of the Supreme Court of India. 11

6. Explain the administrative and legislative relations between the Union and the State Governments in India. 11

Or

Discuss the federal characteristics of the Constitution of India. Why is Indian federalism regarded as quasi-federal? 7+4=11

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7. What are the various recommendations of Balwant Rai Mehta Committee? Explain. 12

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1. Answer the following as directed : 1×8=8

- (a) Who wrote the book, *The Discourse*?
- (b) Adam Smith was an exponent of classical liberalism.
(Write True or False)
- (c) Mention any one of the functions of welfare state.
- (d) In which year was the word 'feminism' included in English dictionary?

(2)

(e) Write one of the demerits of Marxist feminism.

(f) "The state is an association of families and villages for the sake of attaining a perfect and self-sufficient existence." Who said this?

(g) In which year was Magna Carta signed?

(h) Mention one of the limitations of 'the Elitist theory of democracy'.

2. Write on the following **within 150 words** each : $4 \times 4 = 16$

(a) Limitations of behavioural approach

(b) Principles of classical liberalism

(c) Significance of radical feminism

(d) Means for success of democracy

Answer the following **within 500 words** each :

3. What is political theory? Discuss the evolution of political theory. $4 + 8 = 12$

Or

Critically examine the normative approach of the study of political theory. 12

4. Critically discuss John Rawls' theory of justice. 11

Or

Discuss and criticise the basic principles of Marxism. 11

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5. What is feminism? Discuss the growth of feminist movement in the West. $3 + 8 = 11$

Or

What is post-modernism? Discuss the difference between modernism and post-modernism. $3 + 8 = 11$

6. Define citizenship. Explain the different methods of acquiring citizenship. $4 + 7 = 11$

Or

What is State? Discuss the causes for the decline of State. $3 + 8 = 11$

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Or

What is political participation? Give your suggestions for increasing political participation. $4 + 7 = 11$

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