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POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Core)

Paper : C-4

(Political Processes 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 questions : 1×8=8

- (a) Who coined the term 'Congress System' in Indian politics?
- (b) What is the name of the present ruling coalition government in India?
- (c) Which Congress leader made the statement "Indira is India and India is Indira"?
- (d) What is VVPAT in elections?
- (e) When was the States Reorganization Commission formed in India?

(2)

- (f) What does the Sixth Schedule of the Indian Constitution deal with?
- (g) Which amendment added the word 'Secular' to the Preamble of the Indian Constitution?
- (h) Name one scheme launched by the Government of Assam for the welfare of women.

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

- (a) Nature of coalition politics in India
- (b) Caste as a determinant of voting behaviour in India
- (c) Minority communalism
- (d) Coercive dimension of Indian State

Answer the following questions (**within 500 words** each) :

3. Critically discuss the changing trends in the Indian party system since 2014. 12

Or

Discuss the major drawbacks of the Indian party system. Suggest measures to make the Indian party system more democratic. $8 + 4 = 12$

4. Analyze the impact of leadership on electoral politics and voting behaviour in India. 11

(3)

Or

Critically examine the role of gender in electoral politics in India. 11

5. What is regionalism? Discuss the factors responsible for the rise of regional aspirations in India. $4 + 7 = 11$

Or

Critically evaluate whether regionalism is a threat or a strength to Indian democracy. 11

6. What is secularism? Discuss the characteristics of Indian secularism. How is it different from Western secularism? $3 + 5 + 3 = 11$

Or

Discuss the causes of communalism in India. How can communalism be eradicated? $6 + 5 = 11$

7. Critically discuss India as a welfare State. What are the challenges faced by India as a welfare State? $5 + 6 = 11$

Or

Critically discuss the positive and negative impacts of globalization in India. $6 + 5 = 11$

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