

Term End External Examination 1ST Semester (Session-Feb 2025)

Subject: Political Science

Course No and Title: PLS122M/ Introduction to Political Theory

Time: 2.15 hours

Max Marks:100

Min. Marks:40

Section A: Objective Type Questions

- Q1. Choose the appropriate Answer: (8x1.5=12)**
- i. Which perspective views politics as an instrument of class exploitation?**

A Liberal	B Marxian
C Feminist	D Post-modern
 - ii. “Honesty is the best policy”. This statement is:**

A Empirical	B Logical
C Normative	D Theoretical
 - iii. State has the “monopoly over the use of physical force”. Who said this?**

A Robert MacIver	B Harold J Laski
C Max Weber	D J.S. Mill
 - iv. According to G.W.F. Hegel, which of the following is the characteristic feature of civil society?**

A universal egoism	B universal altruism
C force	D divinity
 - v. Who among the following are the advocates of positive liberty?**

A J.S. Mill	B T.H. Green
C H.J. Laski	D All the above
 - vi. The concept of “Situated Self” is related to:**

A Communism	B Communitarianism
C Liberalism	D Feminism
 - vii. Which of the following is correct about ‘Substantive Democracy’?**

A outcome-oriented	B economic democracy
C Both B & C	D neither a nor b
 - viii. Antonio Gramsci is a**

A Neo-Marxist	B Neo-liberal
C Communitarian	D Feminist

Section-B: Descriptive Type Questions (Short Type)

Q2: Answer all the Questions

(8 x 4 =32)

- i. Define Class from Marxian Perspective.
- ii. What is post-modernism.
- iii. Mention elements of state.
- iv. List two features of the Divine Origin Theory of state.
- v. What is negative liberty?
- vi. Who is a citizen according to T.H. Marshal?
- vii. What do you understand by the term rights?
- viii. Define Hegemony.

Section – C: Descriptive Type Questions (Medium Type)

Answer all the questions:

(4 x 7=28)

Q3. Briefly explain liberal perspective of politics?

OR

Can we have a scientific study of politics?

Q4. Discuss Social Contract Theory of the origin of state?

OR

“Personal is Political” Comment.

Q5. Enumerate the main points of difference between liberal and socialist notions of equality?

OR

While distributing rights citizens need to be treated as members of specific groups not merely as individuals. Comment

Q6. Democracy is not only about fairness of elections. Comment.

OR

Why should we obey the state? Give reasons.

Section – D: Descriptive Type Questions (Long Type)

Answer any two of the following: (2 x 14=28)

- Q7.** Explain in detail different perspectives of understanding politics?
- Q8.** What is political theory? Explain different functions of political theory?
- Q9.** Rawls theory of justice is a unique blend of procedural and distributive justice. Comment.
- Q10.** Give a detailed analysis of power and hegemony as enunciated by Gramsci and Althusser