



2025

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Course No. : PS-105

(Western Liberal Theories)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer any five (5) questions

1. a) Write an essay on John Locke's theory of Social Contract. **12**

Or

- b) Discuss John Locke's conception of the Natural Rights. **12**

2. a) Discuss Rousseau's Views on Human Nature and State of Nature. **12**

Or

- b) Examine the nature and characteristic of Rousseau's General Will. **12**

(Turn Over)

3. a) Write an essay on Bentham's Utilitarianism Theory. 12

Or

- b) Why did Bentham believe that a democratic government would best ensure the welfare of the citizens? Which kind of democratic government did he propose? 6+6

4. a) Explain John Stuart Mill's view on utilitarianism and examine how he has modified the original utilitarianism of Jeremy Bentham. 12

Or

- b) What is J.S. Mill's notion of 'Liberty'? Explain. 12

5. a) Discuss Hegel's Theory of Idealism. 12

Or

- b) Write an essay on Hegel's views on War, State, and History. 12

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