

2025



POLITICAL SCIENCE

Course No. : PS-101

(Advanced Political Theory)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

All questions are compulsory

1.a) Critically examine the differences between normative and empirical approaches to study Political Theory. 12

Or

b) Why study political theory? Discuss the relevance of political theory. 12

2.a) Write an essay on the main tenets of Neo-Marxism. How it is different from Classical Marxism. 6+6

Or

b) Critically evaluate the neo-liberalism tenet that the market is the most efficient mechanism for allocating resources and achieving social well-being. 12

(Turn Over)

3.a) Is Democracy compatible with economic growth? Elucidate. 12

Or

b) How do we accommodate diversity in plural society in the context of multiculturalism and toleration. 12

4.a) Write an essay on Distributive and Redistributive Justice. 12

Or

b) Define Freedom of belief, faith and expression. On what grounds censorship is justified and what are its limits? 6+6

5.a) Why Modernism was succeeded and critiqued by later movements, most notably Postmodernism. Discuss the main ideas of post-modernism. 6+6

Or

b) Are human rights universal in the context of cultural relativism? Give your own opinion. 12

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