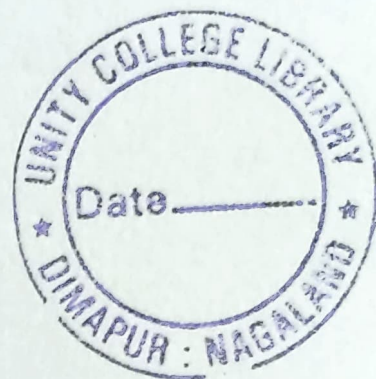


2026

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Course No. : PS – 118

(Political Sociology)

*Full Marks : 60**Time : 3 hours**The questions are of equal value**The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions**Answer all questions*

1. a) “Political Sociology believes in a two way relation between Sociology and Political Science, giving equal emphasis on both the social and political variables.” (A.K Mukhopadhyaya). Discuss. 12

Or

- b) Critically examine the Marxist perspective to the study of Political Sociology. 12

2. a) Define power and identify the major sources of power. 4+8

Or

- b) What is authority? Give a critical estimation of Max Weber’s typology of authority. 4+8

(Turn Over)

3. a) Discuss the role of caste as a determinant of social stratification in contemporary India. 12

Or

- b) Compare and contrast Pareto's "Circulation of Elites" with Mosca's "Ruling Class" theory. 12

4. a) What do you mean by political socialization? Explain the main agents of political socialization. 4+8

Or

- b) Write an essay on Gabriel Almond and Sidney Verba's classification of political culture. 12

5. a) What is political participation? Examine its main determinants. 4+8

Or

- b) Compare and contrast the functions of political parties and pressure groups in a democratic system. 12

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