2014

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Major)

Paper: 2.1

(Political Theory)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer the following as directed: $1 \times 10 = 10$

(a) The 'Ruling Elite' is associated with Marx.

(Write True or False)

(b) Mention one of the methods of 'direct democracy'.

(c) The Elitist / Pluralist / Marxist theory of democracy is in total opposition to the conception of liberal democracy.

(Choose the correct answer)

(d) Who is the author of the book, *The Ruling Class*?
(2)

(e) Mention one of the objectives of 'Millennium Development Goal'.

(f) The basis of 'Ideal State' of Plato is justice / liberty / equality.

(Choose the correct answer)

(g) Mention one feature of 'neocolonialism'.

(h) Will Kymlicka is associated with multiculturalism.

(Write True or False)

(i) What are the three indicators of HDI?

(j) Mention any one method through which direct democracy is practised.

2. Answer the following questions: 2×5=10

(a) Mention two principles of Marxian theory of democracy.

(b) Write two demerits of multiculturalism.

(c) Who developed 'trusteeship system' and why?

(d) Give two reasons for the failure of democracy in the third world countries.

(e) Mention two demerits of indirect democracy.

3. Write short notes on any four of the following: 5×4=20

(a) Minority rights

(b) Gandhian model of development

(c) Sustainable development

(d) Multiculturalism and social justice

(e) Neocolonialism

(f) Nature of State in the third world countries

4. Answer the following questions: 10×4=40

(a) What do you mean by liberal democracy? Discuss the main features of liberal democracy. 3+7=10

Or

What is pluralist theory of democracy? Explain the pluralist theory of democracy. 3+7=10

(b) What do you mean by human development? Discuss the measures to improve human development. 3+7=10

Or

Can the Gandhian model of development be used in real development? Discuss with its merits and demerits. 3+7=10

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(c) Discuss the importance of the doctrine of multiculturalism in the present world.  

Or  

Explain John Rawls’ theory of distributive justice. How is it related to the doctrine of multiculturalism?  

(d) What do you mean by the third world? Discuss the differences between third world democracy and Western liberal democracy.  

Or  

What is dependency theory? Highlight the views of Andre Gunder Frank in the context of dependency theory.