2014

POLITICAL SCIENCE
(Major)

Paper: 2.2

(Politics in India)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer any four of the following: \(10 \times 4 = 40\)

(a) Discuss Centre-State relations in India with special reference to administrative aspects.

(b) Examine the growth of party system in India in the light of changing trends in Indian politics.

(c) Discuss election system in India with special reference to the role of Election Commission.

(d) Examine the challenges to National Integration and highlight the steps taken by the Government in recent years to meet these challenges.
(e) Discuss the role played by regional parties in Indian politics with special reference to the DMK and the AGP.

(f) What is Casteism? Examine the role of caste in politics with special reference to the rise of caste-based parties.

2. Write short notes on any four of the following: $5 \times 4 = 20$

(a) Communalism
(b) Role of Governor
(c) Coalition politics
(d) Indian National Congress
(e) Proportional representation
(f) Concurrent list

3. Answer any five of the following: $2 \times 5 = 10$

(a) Mention two circumstances under which President's Rule can be declared under Article 365.

(b) What do you understand by the terms 'unity' and 'integrity' as mentioned in the Preamble of the Constitution?

(c) Mention one merit and one demerit of the 'first-past-the-post' system of representation.

(d) Mention any two reasons for the rise of terrorism in India.

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

(a) Which of the following political parties is not regarded as a Communist Party in India?
   (i) CPI(M)
   (ii) CPI
   (iii) Samajwadi Party
   (Choose the correct option)

(b) Inter-State Council Order was passed in the year
   (i) 1950
   (ii) 1960
   (iii) 1990
   (Choose the correct option)

(c) The President of India serves as the Head of the Election Commission in India.
   (State True or False)

(d) Rajni Kothari has authored the books, Politics in India and Caste in Indian Politics.
   (State True or False)

(e) The first and only Indian to be appointed as Governor-General of India was ——.
   (Fill in the blank)
(f) The first non-Congress Prime Minister of India was
   (i) Morarji Desai
   (ii) Choudhury Charan Singh
   (iii) Atal Bihari Vajpayee
   (Choose the correct option)

(g) Article I of the Constitution of India says: "India, that is Bharat, shall be a Union of States".
   (State True or False)

(h) In which year were the first General Elections held in India after Independence?
   (i) 1947
   (ii) 1950
   (iii) 1952
   (Choose the correct option)

(i) Telugu Desam Party is a regional party of which State?
   (i) Karnataka
   (ii) Andhra Pradesh
   (iii) Maharashtra
   (Choose the correct option)

(j) Allan Octavian Hume is regarded as the founder of Indian National Congress.
   (State True or False)