

UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT
M.A.POLITICAL SCIENCE (CUCSS)
1st SEMESTER
Model Question Paper

COURSE: PS1C01: MODERN WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT

Time: 3 Hours

Total Weightage: 36

Group A

Answer *all* questions in 1 or 2 sentences each.

1. What was Thomas Hobbes' greatest contribution to Political Philosophy?
2. How is Locke's idea of State of Nature fundamentally different that of Hobbes?
3. What is the difference between "Actual Will" and "Real Will"?
4. What are the "two sovereign masters" according to Jeremy Bentham?
5. Why J.S.Mill is considered as a Liberal Democrat?
6. How did Hegel use the concept of "Geist" in his philosophy of dialectics?
7. Is Edmund Burke a Conservative or a Reformist Political thinker?
8. What is the fundamental element of Marx's Dialectics?
9. How is 'base' and 'superstructure' related?
10. According to Lenin, what is the relationship between Imperialism and Capitalism?
11. What is your idea about the concept of "Justice as fairness"?
12. With what concept did Gramsci replenish Marxian theory?
13. Did industrial revolution contribute to Political Thought in any way?
14. In modern Western Political Philosophy, where do you trace the birth of Democracy?

Weightage: 14 x 1 = 14

Group B

Answer *any* 7 questions in a paragraph each.

15. Why it is said that Hobbes' State of Nature is both pre-political and pre-social?
16. "Man was born free, and everywhere he is in chains": What made Rousseau to say that?
17. Explain the basic postulates of Utilitarianism.
18. Why Bentham is considered as a moral philosopher?
19. Why Mill is known more for his views on Liberty?
20. Discuss Burkes's view on American and French revolutions.
21. Why is Marxism termed as Scientific Socialism?
22. What was Lenin's greatest contribution to Marxism?
23. What is the significance of Theory of Justice?
24. Assess the significance of Gramsci as a political philosopher.

Weightage: 7 x 2 = 14

Group C

Answer *any* 2 questions each in about 450 words

25. Compare and contrast the Social Contract theories.
26. How would you analyse the reformative attempt of J.S.Mill on Utilitarianism?
27. Explain How Edmund Burke balanced the sharp contrast in his political philosophy?
28. Examine Dialectical Materialism.

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COURSE: PS1C03: INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Time: 3 Hours

Total Weightage: 36

Group A

Answer *all* questions in 1 or 2 sentences each.

29. Balwant Rai Mehta Committee
30. Judicial Review
31. Article 370
32. Article 368
33. Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court
34. What is Judicial Activism?
35. Dr. B.R.Ambedkar
36. Habeas Corpus
37. Status of right to property today.
38. 42nd Constitutional amendments.
39. Union List
40. Coalition Politics
41. Ombudsman
42. UPA

Weightage: 14 x 1 = 14

Group B

Answer *any* 7 questions in a paragraph each.

43. Examine the impact of colonial legacy on the post-independent Indian Political System
44. Secularism is the soul of the constitution.
45. Discuss the ideological bases of the Indian Constitution.
46. Explain the constitutional implications of A.K.Gopalan vs State of Madras case
47. Examine the issue involved in the Indira Sahney vs Union of India Case.
48. Role of Governor in Centre-State relations
49. Point out the differences between procedure established by law and due process of law
50. Sarkaria commission report.
51. Important features of the 74th constitutional amendment.
52. Write a brief note on Golaknath vs State of Punjab case.

Weightage: 7 x 2 = 14

Group C

Answer *any* 2 questions each in about 450 words

53. Examine the Directive Principles of the State policy as contained in our constitution. How does it differ from Fundamental Rights?
54. Discuss the major tension areas in Centre-State relations in India.
55. Identify the important defects of the judicial process in India and suggest suitable remedies.
56. Examine the role of the Panchayati Raj in Rural development.

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COURSE: PS1C02: MODERN POLITICAL ANALYSIS AND POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

Time: 3 Hours

Total Weightage: 36

Group A

Answer *all* questions in 1 or 2 sentences each.

57. What do you mean by Political Sociology?
58. Explain the main characteristics of Behavioural Approach?
59. What is classical approach to Political Sociology?
60. What are the major themes of Post-Behaviouralism?
61. Define System.
62. What are the major characteristics of a Political System?
63. How did Easton classify "Demands"?
64. What is Gateway Mechanism?
65. Write a note on 'Conversion Process'.
66. What do you mean by Structural Functional Approach?
67. How did Weber classify Authority?
68. Define Power.
69. Who is an elite according to Parcto?
70. Agents of Political Socialization.

Weightage: 14 x 1 = 14

Group B

Answer *any* 7 questions in a paragraph each.

71. Write a note on Marxian Approach to Political Sociology?
72. Explain Communication Theory?
73. "Post Behaviouralism was a genuine revolution, not a reaction". Comment?
74. Explain Mosca's contribution to Elite Theory?
75. Write a note on Political socialization?
76. How power is different from influence?
77. Write a note on Value-Fact dichotomy?
78. Almond's classification of Political Culture?
79. Lucian Pye's contribution to Political Development?
80. Write note on Input-Output analysis.

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Group C

Answer *any* 2 questions each in about 450 words

81. Explain Growth and Development of Political Sociology.
82. Explain the concept of Political Development.
83. Distinguish between Modern and Classical Approaches to Political Sociology.
84. Discuss Almond's Structural-Functional Approach.

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COURSE: PS1C04: THEORIES AND CONCEPTS OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Time: 3 Hours

Total Weightage: 36

Group A

Answer *all* questions in 1 or 2 sentences each.

85. How is Public Administration related to Law?
86. Marshal E Dimmock
87. Neutral Democracy.
88. The elements of Human Relations Theory of Organisations?
89. What is reinventing government?
90. Why Scientific Management Theory is called so?
91. Ecological Approach.
92. Iron man of India.
93. POSDCORB- Expand
94. New public administration.
95. Contribution of A.D. Gorwala
96. Comparative Public Administration
97. Define Public Administration
98. Committed bureaucracy.

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Group B

Answer *any* 7 questions in a paragraph each.

99. 'Public Administration is a social service'. Explain.
100. Discuss the importance of liberal democracy.
101. Explain Politics-Administration dichotomy.
102. Discuss the features of structural functional approach.
103. List the demerits of bureaucracy.
104. What is the major contribution of Second Minnowbrook Conference to Public Administration?
105. How is new Public Administration different from the old?
106. Do you think privatisation is a major challenge to bureaucracy?
107. Explain Max Weber's view on bureaucracy.
108. Explain the scope of Public Administration.

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Group C

Answer *any* 2 questions each in about 450 words

109. Define Public Administration and justify the importance of its study.
110. How is Human Relations Theory differing from Scientific Management Theory?
111. What is comparative public administration? Explain the issues of comparative public administration.
112. Critically explain the significances of re-inventing government.

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