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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

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**INTERNAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE: EVEN SEM 2026
6th SEMESTER**

The MAJOR students will submit the assignments on the 11th of May, 2026 in Room no K 26, Department of Political Science.

MAJOR 13 - CONCEPTS AND DEBATES IN POLITICAL THEORY

Group - A

Answer any 2 (two) question from the following: 25 x 2 = 50

Q. 1. Write a critical essay on the Conceptions of Negative and positive freedom with special reference to I. Berlin. Why he criticized positive idea of freedom? 20+5

or

Q.2. Is Amartya Sen's capability approach an adequate basis for considering human development as well as freedom? - Argue your case. 25

Q. 3. Write a critical essay on Liberal Democracy with special reference to C. B. Macpherson. 25

or

Q. 4. How Affirmative Action does promote egalitarianism in society? Explain suitable examples. 25

Group: B

Write short notes (Any one): 10

5. Dimensions of Equality
6. Freedom vs. Censorship
7. Elitist model of democracy
8. Idea of Political Obligation to State and Right to Resistance

MAJOR 14 - India's Foreign Policy

Group - A

Answer any 2 (two) question from the following: 25 x 2 = 50

Q1. Trace the evolution of India's foreign policy, highlighting continuity and change since independence.

Q2. Critically analyse India – Russia relations, focusing on the cooperation and emerging challenges.

Q3. Examine the evolution of India – USA relations especially after the Cold War.

Q4. Examine the strategic importance of the Indian Ocean in India's foreign policy. How does India seek to maintain its influence in the region?

Write short notes (Any one): 10

5. Explain the role of domestic factors in shaping foreign policy.
6. Write a note on the determinants of foreign policy.
7. Explain the issue of migration in India's neighbourhood.
8. Why does India seek permanent membership in the UN Security Council?



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MAJOR 15- Major Issues in Indian Politics

Group - A

Answer any two from the following:

25x2=50

1. Compare and contrast Liberal, Marxist, and Subaltern approaches to the study of the Indian state.
2. "Regionalism is both a challenge and strength for Indian democracy." Discuss.
3. Discuss the relationship between religion and politics in India.
4. Discuss the impact of communalism on Indian democracy.

Group - B

Answer any One from the following:

10x1=10

5. What are the Constitutional provisions in the 5th Schedule of the Indian Constitution?
6. How would you distinguish between caste in politics and politicization of caste?
7. Discuss the Assam Movement and its main objectives.
8. Discuss the changing nature of the Indian state

MAJOR 16 - POLITICAL ECONOMY IN INDIA

Group - A

Answer any 2 (two) questions from the following:

25 x 2 = 50

1. "The Nehruvian model of development was not a total rejection of capitalism, but a strategic adoption of centralized planning to build a socialist-patterned mixed economy." Critically analyze this statement with reference to the role of the Planning Commission and examine how the early phase of economic planning in India has laid the foundation of modern India's economic growth.

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2. Discuss the colonial economy and patterns of exploitation.

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3. "Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) marked a paradigm shift from 'charity-based' to 'rights-based' welfare in India." Analyze this statement. Critically assess the impact of MGNREGA on strengthening rural livelihood security and empowerment of marginalized groups, along with the persistent implementation bottlenecks.

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4. Critically evaluate the impact of GST on India's fiscal federalism and economic growth since its inception.

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Group: B

Write short notes (Any one):

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1. Evaluate the role of SEBI as a regulatory agency
2. Discuss the economic reforms of the 1990s in India
3. Critically examine the impact of the Green Revolution on Indian agriculture
4. Evaluate the role of the Public Distribution System (PDS) in ensuring food security in India.

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