

**2020/TDC (CBCS)/ODD/SEM/  
PLSHCC-501T/190**

**TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2020  
held in March, 2021**

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**( 5th Semester )**

Course No. : PLSHCC-501T

**( Classical Political Philosophy )**

*Full Marks : 70*

*Pass Marks : 28*

*Time : 3 hours*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

**SECTION—A**

**1. Answer any ten of the following questions :**

**2×10=20**

(a) What do you mean by Sophism?

(b) Mention two differences between the thoughts of Socrates and Sophists.

(c) Name any two Sophists

- (d) What is Dialectic Method of Socrates?
- (e) Mention four virtues of Plato's Ideal State.
- (f) Who is a Philosopher King according to Plato?
- (g) "Plato's Communism is half-Communism." Why?
- (h) Why is Plato called the first feminist political thinker?
- (i) Who is a Citizen according to Aristotle?
- (j) What does Aristotle mean by Distributive Justice?
- (k) Mention the components of a household as advocated by Aristotle.
- (l) Why is Aristotle considered the father of Political Science?
- (m) Why is Machiavelli called the Child of Renaissance?
- (n) What is Virtue according to Machiavelli?
- (o) Name two books written by Machiavelli.
- (p) How did Machiavelli view a Republic?

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- (q) Give a brief idea about Hobbes' *Leviathan*.
- (r) What is the Law of Nature according to John Locke?
- (s) Point out two differences between Hobbes and Locke on the Social Contract.
- (t) Give two arguments given by Locke in favour of Right to Property.

SECTION—B

Answer **any five** questions

2. Discuss the distinctive features of Greek political tradition. 10
3. Explain the salient features of political thought of Socrates. 10
4. Explain Plato's theory of Justice. Point out its limitations. 7+3=10
5. Make an assessment of the philosophy and politics of Plato. 10
6. Write a note on Aristotle's theory of Citizenship. How does Aristotle's Citizenship differ from Modern Citizenship? 6+4=10

7. Write an essay on Aristotle's view on the origin, nature and functions of the State. Make a critical assessment of the theory.

7+3=10

8. Examine Machiavelli's views on Religion. How far is it justified to call him the first secularist in politics?

6+4=10

9. Explain the reasons put forward by Machiavelli in support of a republic.

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10. How does Thomas Hobbes depict the picture of Human Nature in the State of Nature? Critically discuss the role played by 'social contract' in the Origin of State as advocated by Thomas Hobbes.

3+7=10

11. Make an assessment of John Locke's theory of Natural Rights.

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**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**( 5th Semester )**

Course No. : PLSHCC-502T

**( Indian Political Thought )**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

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**SECTION—A**

**1. Answer any ten of the following questions :**

2×10=20

- (a) What is Brahmanic tradition?
- (b) What do you mean by Shramanic tradition?
- (c) Mention two features of Syncretic tradition.



- (d) Write down two differences between Islamic and Syncretic traditions.
- (e) Who was Veda Vyasa?
- (f) What do you mean by 'Rajdharma'?
- (g) How many Chapters are there in the *Mahabharata*? Which Chapter is known as 'Book of Peace'?
- (h) Who became king of Hastinapur after the Battle of Kurukshetra? Who gave him the lesson of 'Rajdharma'?
- (i) Who was Manu? Did he support Varna (caste) system?
- (j) Who was Kautilya? Where was he born?
- (k) What were the types of 'Mitras' mentioned by Kautilya?
- (l) What do you mean by 'Amatya'?
- (m) Who was Barani? Did he support despotism?
- (n) Mention two books written by Barani.
- (o) Did Barani Islamise Aristotelian thought? Give argument.

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(p) What do you mean by 'Bhakti Movement'?

(q) What is Sufism?

(r) Mention the names of two Sufi saints of Mediaeval India.

(s) What is Din-i-Ilahi? Who founded it?

(t) Who is the author of the book, *The Arthasashtra of Kautilya*?

### SECTION—B

Answer any *five* of the following questions :  $10 \times 5 = 50$

2. Discuss the differences between the Brahmanic and Shramanic traditions.

3. Critically examine the Islamic tradition.

4. Discuss the concept of 'Rajdharmā' as depicted in *Shanti Parva*.

5. Discuss the principles of statecraft of *Shanti Parva*.

6. Explain Kautilya's theory of state.

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7. Examine Manu's views on caste and women.
8. Critically examine Barani's views on ideal polity and justice.
9. Discuss Barani's views on relationship between Religion and State.
10. Critically evaluate Fajal's views on monarchy.
11. Write a note on Kabir's syncretism.

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