

2024

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 33

Time: Three hours

All the question are compulsory.

The figures in the right margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Question Nos. 1 to 8 are objective type questions with four alternatives of which one of them is the correct answer. Choose and rewrite the correct answer along with the corresponding alphabet .

1. Which one of the following argued for freedom as a fundamental right of mankind?

(A) Rousseau

(B) Karl Marx

(C) Lenin

(D) Gandhi

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2. Identify the person who wrote the book 'Hind Swaraj' – 1
- (A) Nehru
 - (B) Bhagat Singh
 - (C) Gandhi
 - (D) B.R. Ambedkar
3. The chapter on Directive Principle of State Policy in Indian constitution is borrowed from – 1
- (A) United Kingdom
 - (B) Ireland
 - (C) USA
 - (D) Germany
4. In Indian parliamentary system the head of the government is – 1
- (A) The President
 - (B) The Speaker
 - (C) The Prime Minister
 - (D) Chief Justice
5. How many members are nominated by the president to the Rajya Sabha? 1
- (A) 5 members
 - (B) 7 members
 - (C) 10 members
 - (D) 12 members

6. The practice of untouchability is prohibited under _____ 1
- (A) Right to Equality
 - (B) Right to Freedom
 - (C) Right against Exploitation
 - (D) Right to Freedom of Religion
7. Which one of the following appoints the governor of a state? 1
- (A) The Speaker
 - (B) The Prime Minister
 - (C) Chief Justice
 - (D) The President
8. Equality is not regarded as a natural right by – 1
- (A) Lenin
 - (B) Aristotle
 - (C) John Locke
 - (D) Karl Marx

Question Nos. 9 to 16 are very short answer type questions (VSA). Each of these questions may be answered in a word or a group of words or a sentence only.

9. What is 'Bill of Rights'? 1
10. Define first past the post electoral system. 1
11. Why do we need electoral reforms? 1

12. What is a Constitution? 1
13. Who are Political Executives? 1
14. What is Justice? 1
15. What is meant by citizen by blood relationship? 1
16. Define the term Duty. 1

Question Nos. 17 to 26 are SA-II type questions. Answer these questions in about 20 to 30 words each.

17. What is meant by political theory? 2
18. "Fundamental Rights are so important". Justify the statement by giving two points. $1 \times 2 = 2$
19. How far is the Indian election system democratic? Give two points. $1 \times 2 = 2$
20. Why do we need a constitution? Give two points. $1 \times 2 = 2$
21. How far the Indian constitution was drafted before seven decades to be acceptable to us? 2
22. Examine how the constitution puts limit on the power of the government. 2
23. Give two reasons to show that the Supreme Court is the custodian of the fundamental rights. 2
24. Mention two discretionary powers of Municipal Corporation. 2
25. Define Citizenship. 2
26. What is bicameral legislature? 2

Question Nos. 27 to 34 are SA-I type questions. Answer these questions in about 30 to 50 words.

27. Why do we need a secular state? Give four points. 4
28. What is meant by the term 'Preventive Detention'? 4
29. Explain four functions of the Election Commission of India. 4
30. Define the term 'Constitutional Emergency'. 4
31. "The cabinet in Indian parliamentary system can't be dictatorial". Justify. 4

Or

Assess the emerging nature of the parliamentary executive.

32. Explain the nature of rights. 4

Or

Explain the characteristics of a citizen.

33. "India is a federal state". Justify. 4

Or

"The centre-state relations in Indian federalism are full of conflicts". Justify.

34. Analyse four reasons for the study of political theory. 4

Or

"Politics is multidimensional". Elucidate.

Question Nos. 35 to 38 are Essay type questions. Answer these questions in about 100 to 150 words each.

35. Why do we need a parliament? Give four points. 8

Or

Explain any four parliamentary procedures to transact the business of a house properly.

36. "The successful working of democracy is dependent upon an independent judiciary". Justify the statement. 8

Or

"The Supreme Court of India is the highest court of appeal in the state". Elucidate.

37. Explain any four limitations on individual freedom. 8

Or

Explain any four forms of inequality.

38. Mention four points that indicate the significance of Local Self-Government. 8

Or

Mention four features of Panchayati Raj Act (1993).