

2022

(Held in 2023)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Paper : PSCHC5116

(Classical Political Theory)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Choose the correct answer : 1×6=6

(a) Who regarded the state as natural institution?

- (i) Locke
- (ii) Aristotle
- (iii) Hobbes
- (iv) Machiavelli

(b) The author of the book, *The Statesman* is

- (i) Rousseau
- (ii) Socrates
- (iii) Plato
- (iv) Aristotle

(c) Who among the following thinkers supported personal property?

(i) St. Augustine

(ii) Thomas Hobbes

(iii) Machiavelli

(iv) John Locke

(d) Who did not support any kind of rights and freedom of the individual?

(i) Thomas Hobbes

(ii) Karl Marx

(iii) John Locke

(iv) Plato

(e) Which of the following statements regarding Machiavelli is not true?

(i) To protect the interest of the state, the ruler should be kind-hearted.

(ii) The ruler should pay attention in the interest and administration of the state.

(iii) The king/queen should use techniques if it is not possible to achieve the objectives with force.

(iv) According to Machiavelli, man is selfish and greedy by nature.

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(f) Who is called the Father of Political Science?

(i) Plato

(ii) Locke

(iii) Aristotle

(iv) Hobbes

2. Answer the following short answer-type questions : 2×5=10

(a) Write any two classes of people classified by Plato in his book, *Republic*.

(b) What are the particular causes of Revolution according to Aristotle?

(c) Why Machiavelli considered that religion should be separated from politics?

(d) Give a short description on Hobbes' state of nature.

(e) Match List-I with List-II :

List—I
(Books)

List—II
(Authors)

1. *The Laws*

(i) Aristotle

2. *Two Treatises of Government*

(ii) Hobbes

3. *De Cive*

(iii) Plato

4. *Politics*

(iv) John Locke

3. Write short notes/answer on the following (any six) : $5 \times 6 = 30$

(a) Write a note on human nature of Hobbes.

(b) Explain the features of Platonic ideal state.

(c) Aristotle's views on citizenship

(d) Write about Machiavelli's views on human nature depicted in his book, *The Prince*.

(e) What is text? Explain its approaches.

(f) Locke on limited government

(g) Aristotle's criticism on Plato's communism of property

(h) Characteristics of sovereignty depicted by Hobbes

(i) Do you consider Locke as individualist? Give reason for your answer.

4. Answer any two of the following questions :

$10 \times 2 = 20$

(a) Who is Philosopher King? Discuss Plato's views on qualities of Philosopher King.

(b) State and evaluate the 'Social Contract Theory' of Thomas Hobbes.

(c) Discuss Aristotle's views on property.

5. Answer any one of the following questions : 14

(a) Critically discuss the various qualities of Prince as mentioned by Machiavelli. Why Machiavelli said the 'Republic' was the superior form of government? $8 + 6 = 14$

(b) "The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggle." Critically explain this statement. 14

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