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FYUG Even Semester Exam., 2025

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(2nd Semester)

Course No. : PLSDSC-151

(Political Theory—Concepts and Debates)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

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

UNIT—I

1. Answer any two from the following questions : 2×2=4

(a) Name any two supporters of negative liberty.

(b) Who wrote *Four Essays on Liberty*?
When was it published?

(c) What should be the role of the State according to J. S. Mill as far as the other-regarding action of individual is concerned?

2. Answer any one from the following questions :

(a) Distinguish between negative and positive liberty. Can liberty be absolute? Discuss. 7+3=10

(b) What is liberty? How can liberty be safeguarded? 3+7=10

UNIT—II

3. Answer any two from the following questions : 2x2=4

(a) Mention two elements of equality.

(b) Define formal equality.

(c) What is egalitarianism?

4. Answer any one from the following questions :

(a) What is meant by differential treatment? In this context, bring out Indian experience of establishing an egalitarian society. 3+7=10

(b) Bring out the relationship between Liberty and Equality.

UNIT—III

5. Answer any two from the following questions : 2x2=4

(a) Name two supporters of procedural justice. 1+1=2

(b) Define justice.

(c) How does global justice differ from international justice?

6. Answer any one from the following questions : 10

(a) Discuss critically John Rawls' theory of justice.

(b) Discuss procedural justice and distributive justice. 5+5=10

UNIT—IV

7. Answer any two from the following questions : 2x2=4

(a) Explain, in brief, the concept of natural rights.

(b) Name two advocates of legal rights.

(c) Mention two features of rights.

8. Answer any one from the following questions :

- (a) Why are rights considered important for an individual? Discuss the various forms of legal rights.
- (b) Trace the growth of the human rights over the generations.

UNIT—V

9. Answer any two from the following questions :

- (a) What is meant by a plural society?
- (b) Bring out the difference between thin multiculturalism and thick multiculturalism.
- (c) Why is 10th December celebrated as Human Rights Day?

10. Answer any one from the following questions :

- (a) Examine the position of human rights in the debate between universalism and cultural relativism.
- (b) Is toleration compatible with multiculturalism? Give arguments for and against it.
