First Semester M.A. Political Science (SDE) Degree Examination

Core Course – I: PS 511: MODERN WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write short notes on any five questions. Each question carries 2 marks:

- 1. General will
- 2. Political Absolutism
- 3. Political Obligation.
- 4. Representative Government
- 5. Conservatism
- 6. Dialectical Materialism
- 7. Double Morality

(5x2=10 Marks)

PART-B

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **5** marks:

- 8. What is 'Human Nature' according to Rousseau?
- 9. Briefly explain the theory of alienation of Marx
- 10. What do you mean by "personal is political" How J.S. Mill explains that all 'differences among pleasures can be quantified'?
- 11. Elaborate Lenin's views on the Vanguard party
- 12. Briefly explain Bruke's critique of French Revolution
- 13. Compare the Public and Private lives of women in Kerala? Explain in brief categorical imperative of Immanuel Kant

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15 marks:

- 14. Discuss the contribution of contractual thinkers on the state of nature, human nature and nature of Government.
- 15. Demonstrate the ideas contained in the 'Critique of Pure Reason'.
- 16. Critically examine the role of women in Development Planning andPolice Account for the importance of Hegel in Western Political Thought
- 17. Explain the main ideas of Marx
- 18. Enunciate the ideas of Edmund Burke

First Semester M.A. Political Science (SDE) Degree Examination

Core Course - II: PS 512: CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL THEORY

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write short notes on any five questions. Each question carries 2 marks

(5x2=10 Marks)

- 1. Frankfurt School
- 2. Freedom of choice
- 3. Veil of ignorance
- 4. Original position
- 5. Multiculturalism
- 6. Secularism
- 7. Rational choice theory

PART-B

Answer any four questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 8. What do you understand from Communication critique of liberalism of Charles Taylor?
- 9. How does Rawls explain the relevance of equality?
- 10. What are the views of Michael Foucault on Power?
- 11. What are the main arguments of Neo liberalism?
- 12. Briefly explain the entitlement theory of Robert Nozick

13. Explain the theory of communicative action-according to Habermas.

PART-C

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 14. Explain the meaning, nature and scope of contemporary political theory.
- 15. Explain the notion of multiculturalism of WillKymlicka.
- 16. Write an essay on communitarianism
- 17. Critically examine secularism
- 18. Elucidate the contribution of John Rawls in building the theory of justice.

First Semester M.A. Political Science (SDE) Degree Examination

Core Course – III: PS 513: Indian Government and Politics

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write short notes on **any five** questions. **Each** question carries **2** marks:

- 1. Residuary powers
- 2. PIL
- 3. Article 19 of the Indian Constitution
- 4. Drafting Committee
- 5. Committed Judiciary
- 6. Objectives Resolution
- 7. India is a sovereign state. Explain.

(5x2=10 Marks)

PART-B

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **5** marks:

- 8. What are the non-federal features of the Indian Constitution?
- 9. Write a note on the functioning of Judicial Review in the Indian political system.
- 10. Examine the nature and scope of Article 51(A) of the Indian constitution.
- 11. Discuss Right to Constitutional Remedies.
- 12. India is a secular state. Substantiate.
- 13. What are the important implications of GolaknathVs. State of Punjab case?

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15 marks:

- 14. Enumerate the features and principles contained in Part IV of the Indian Constitution.
- 15. Bring out the significance of amending a constitution and also outline the methods followed in India for the same.
- 16. Discuss tension areas in Centre- State relations.
- 17. Trace the important developments in the making of Indian Constitution
- 18. Discuss the need for judicial reform in India. Substantiate.

First Semester M.A. Political Science (SDE) Degree Examination

Elective Course –I: PS 514: Gender Politics

(2017 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write short notes on any five questions. Each question carries 2 marks:

- 1. Gender Empowerment Index (GEM)
- 2. Gender Related Development Index (GDI)
- 3. Radical Feminism
- 4. Sexual Division of Labour
- 5. Transgender
- 6. Women In Development (WID)
- 7. Chipko Movement.

(5x2=10 Marks)

PART-B

Answer any four questions. Each question carries 5 marks:

- 8. Write a brief note on 'politics of body'
- 9. Explain Liberal Feminism
- 10. What do you mean by "personal is political"?
- 11. How women and nature are related to each other?
- 12. Write in brief about Green Belt Movement of Kenya.
- 13. Compare the Public and Private lives of women in Kerala?

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15 marks:

- 14. Examine the meaning, nature and scope of Gender Politics
- 15. Discuss the postmodern theories of Gender relations.
- 16. Critically examine the role of women in Development Planning and Policy
- 17. Critically assess women Reservation Bill.
- 18. Examine the narratives on women empowerment in the context of Kerala.

First Semester M.A. Political Science (SDE) Degree Examination

Core Course – IV: PS 521: Comparative Politics

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write short notes on **any five** questions. **Each** question carries **2** marks:

- 1. Structural functionalism.
- 2. World System theory.
- 3. Constitutional democracy.
- 4. Canadian federalism.
- 5. Pressure groups.
- 6. Party system in Sri Lanka.
- 7. Third wave democratisation.

(5x2=10 Marks)

PART-B

Answer any four questions. Each question carries 5 marks:

- 8. Explain the importance of comparative politics.
- 9. Estimate the Islamic democracy.
- 10. Describe the inter-state relations of India.
- 11. List out the role of civil society in Egypt.
- 12. Brief note on party system in Brazil.
- 13. Assess the difference between a failed state and a weak state.

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15 marks:

- 14. Trace the evolution of comparative politics.
- 15. Give an account of liberal authoritarianism.
- 16. Critically examine the mobilization and success of the pressure groups in India.
- 17. Write an essay on the evolution and dynamics of party system in France.
- 18. Elucidate the role of political culture in comparative politics.

Second Semester M.A. Political Science (SDE) Degree Examination

Core Course - VI: PS 523: THEORIES AND CONCEPTS OF

INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write a short note on **any five** questions. **Each** question carries **2** marks.

- 1. Explain Summit Diplomacy
- 2. Write a note on International Law.
- 3. Discuss World System Theory
- 4. Define Soft Power
- 5. Explain Game theory
- 6. Write a short note on Constructivism
- 7. Explain Total war.

(5x2=10 Marks)

PART -B

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **5** marks

- 8. Narrate Morton Kaplan's system theory
- 9. Write a short note on Global civil society
- 10. Discuss Dependency Theory
- 11. Write a short essay on Neo Liberal theory in International Relations.
- 12. Define Balance of power and its method.
- 13. Write a brief essay on Decision making theory

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15marks.

- 14. Discuss importance of power in International Relations.
- 15. Write an essay on Collective Security and its relevance in maintain peace.
- 16. Examine main determinants of foreign policy.
- 17. Examine various nontraditional threats to national security.
- 18. Discuss Morgenthau's Realist theory in international relations.

Second Semester M.A. Political Science (SDE) Degree Examination

Elective Course –I: PS 524: State and Society in Kerala

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write short notes on any five questions. Each question carries 2 marks:

- 1. Traditional Society
- 2. Sree Narayan Guru
- 3. Press Freedom
- 4. People's Planning
- 5. Anti-defection Law
- 6. Women empowerment
- 7. Mafia Politics

(5x2=10 Marks)

PART-B

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **5** marks:

- 8. Describe the contributions of social reformer ChattambiSwamikal
- 9. Explain the struggle for responsible government in Travancore
- 10. Write a short note on Trade Union Movement in Kerala
- 11. Enumerate the Kerala Model of development
- 12. Briefly discuss about the environment movement in Kerala
- 13. Estimate the caste politics in Kerala

(4x5=20 Marks)

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 15 marks:

- 14. Trace the historical background and contribution of Ayyankali
- 15. Give an account of Socialist Movement in Kerala
- 16. Analyse the evolution of civil service in Kerala
- 17. Critically examine the pressure groups in Kerala
- 18. Write an essay on corruption in Kerala.

Third Semester MA Degree Examination (SDE)

Core Course VIII-PS 532: GANDHIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

(2017 admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Write shore notes on any **five** questions. Each question carries **two** marks.

- 1. Explain the concept of passive resistance
- 2. Meaning of celibacy for Gandhian philosophy
- 3. Why does Gandhi be called as a 'saint among politicians and a politician among saints?
- 4. Why did Gandhi oppose materialism of the west?
- 5. Examine the reason behind addressing state as it "represents violence in a concentrated form".
- 6. How did Gandhi define the situation of violence?
- 7. What is importance of fasting in Gandhian method of sathyagragha?

(5x2=10 Marks)

PART-B

Answer any **four** questions. Each question carries **five** marks

- 8. Write a brief essay on the influences on Gandhi which calibrated his vision on politics and freedom movement.
- 9. Briefly explain Gandhian interpretation of Varna system.
- 10.Examine the role of women in championing popular environmental movements in India.

- 11. Explain economic as well as social importance of Gandhian trusteeship.
- 12. The Bishnoi movement is often reminded as the first environmental movement in the country to save forest. Explain.
- 13. Write a brief note on Janlokpal.

(4x5=20 Marks)

PART- C

Answer any **three** questions. Each question carries **fifteen** marks.

- 14. Prepare as essay on the relevance of Gandhism as a method of conflict resolution.
- 15. The Peace movements in India have played a major role in articulating need of nonviolent resistance over major issues. Write an essay on various peace movements in India.
- 16. Write an essay on the Gandhian concept of Majoriterian Democracy.
- 17. Critically evaluate Gandhi's view on grama swaraj as the bases of village economy.
- 18. Prepare an essay on the Anarchism imbibed in the Gandhian philosophy.