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(Pre-CBCS)

(5th Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

FIFTH PAPER

(Western Political Thought)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer **all** questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. Who wrote the *Republic* ?

(a) Bentham ()

(b) Aristotle ()

(c) Plato ()

2. What was Aristotle's attitude towards slavery?

(a) He strongly disapproved it. ()

(b) He considered it to be natural. ()

(c) He considered it to be against nature. ()

3. St. Augustine's greatest work is
(a) *The Prince* ()
(b) *Leviathan* ()
(c) *The City of God* ()
4. *The Prince* is the work of
(a) Bentham ()
(b) John Locke ()
(c) Machiavelli ()
5. General Will as expounded by Rousseau is a sum total of
(a) minority will ()
(b) real will ()
(c) will of the elites ()
6. Social contract theory primarily dealt with the
(a) purpose of State ()
(b) origin of State ()
(c) function of State ()
7. Bentham claims that actions are right or wrong in virtue of
(a) the motives behind them ()
(b) their consequences ()
(c) both (a) and (b) ()
8. Mill writes that society can punish people's behaviour when
(a) it contradicts the will of the majority ()
(b) it undermines social cohesion ()
(c) it harms other people ()
9. Karl Marx wrote *The Communist Manifesto* with
(a) Friedrich Engels ()
(b) Lenin ()
(c) Hegel ()

10. According to Karl Marx, the State is
- (a) a necessary evil ()
 - (b) an instrument of class exploitation ()
 - (c) a necessary good ()

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following questions in about 5 sentences each :

3×5=15

1. Give reasons for Plato's communism of property.
2. What was Machiavelli's view on religion?
3. Write in brief Rousseau's General Will.
4. What is J. S. Mill's view on women?
5. What is meant by Marx's theory of class struggle?

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

UNIT—I

1. Discuss Plato's concept of justice.

OR

Examine Aristotle's view on slavery.

UNIT—II

2. Explain St. Augustine's ideas on separation of Church and State.

OR

Discuss Machiavelli's concept of State.

UNIT—III

3. Critically examine Hobbes' ideas on absolute sovereignty.

OR

Discuss Locke's ideas on property.

UNIT—IV

4. Write an essay on Bentham's utilitarianism.

OR

Discuss J. S. Mill's view of liberty.

UNIT—V

5. Discuss Hegel's concept of State.

OR

Discuss Karl Marx's Dialectical Materialism.
