

**STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86**  
**(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2008– 2009 & thereafter)**  
**SUBJECT CODE: HS/MC/PP64**

**B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION APRIL 2012**  
**BRANCH I - HISTORY**  
**SIXTH SEMESTER**

**COURSE : MAJOR – CORE**  
**PAPER : PARTIES AND POLITICS IN INDIA**  
**TIME : 3 HOURS. MAX. MARKS : 100**

**SECTION –A**

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 30**  
**WORDS: (10 X 3 = 30)**

1. List any 2 influences from Ancient Political systems that have influenced Indian Politics.
2. Trace the influences of other political systems on Indian Government.
3. What is a Political party?
4. Give examples of Regional Parties in Indian Politics.
5. List any 2 ideologies shaping the political climate of India.
6. What is Propaganda?
7. What is Public Opinion?
8. How is a Coalition formed?
9. Explain the meaning of defection.
10. How has language affected the political system in India?

**SECTION – B**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 300**  
**WORDS: (5 X 8 = 40)**

11. Describe Panchayat Raj in India.
12. Discuss the Role of political parties in India.
13. Trace the Development of the Congress Party.
14. Analyse the importance of lobbying in Policy making.
15. Describe the role played by Cinema in Indian Politics.
16. Elucidate on the influence of Regionalism in Indian Politics.
17. Trace the growth of Terrorism in India citing examples.
18. Analyse the demerits of politics of defection.

**SECTION –C**

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1000**  
**WORDS: (3 X 10 = 30)**

19. Describe the Modern concepts in Indian Politics.  
(OR)  
Describe the National Parties.
20. What are Pressure groups. How are they formed and how much do they influence policy making in India.  
(OR)  
Describe the difference between the print media and the electronic media as agencies of public opinion.
21. Analyse the importance of Caste in Indian Politics.  
(OR)  
Bring out the influence of communalism and fundamentalism on Indian Politics.

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