

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024
BRANCH II (E) - INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE : ELECTIVE
PAPER : INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THOUGHT
SUBJECT CODE : 23IS/PE/PT15
TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

Q.NO	<u>SECTION A</u> ANSWER ANY TEN QUESTIONS OUT OF TWELVE IN NOT MORE THAN 30 WORDS 10X2=20	CO	KL
1.	Recall Socrates contribution to Political Thought	CO1	K1
2.	List the main classes in Plato's ideal society	CO1	K1
3.	Define the concept of "Polity" according to Aristotle	CO1	K1
4.	Recall how the Church influenced political structures during the medieval period.	CO1	K1
5.	List the key principles Aquinas adopted from Aristotle and integrated into Christian thought.	CO1	K1
6.	Define Machiavelli's concept of power and statecraft in "The Prince".	CO1	K1
7.	Recall Montesquieu's Separation of Powers and its significance	CO1	K1
8.	List the core governance strategies proposed by Kautilya.	CO1	K1
9.	Name the economic theory proposed by Dadabhai Naoroji to explain the exploitation of India by the British.	CO1	K1
10.	Enumerate Mill's principle of Utilitarianism	CO1	K1
11.	Define Hegel's concept of the "dialectic."		
12.	State the significance of Montesquieu's work "The Spirit of the Laws."		
	<u>SECTION B</u> ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS OUT OF SIX IN NOT MORE THAN 250 WORDS 4X5=20		
13.	Specify the difference between the social contracts of Hobbes and Rousseau. What are the key differences in their views of human nature?	CO2	K2
14.	Explain Immanuel Kant's idea of perpetual peace. What conditions did he believe were necessary for its realization?	CO2	K2
15.	Outline the main criticisms of Machiavelli's political strategies. How have these criticisms evolved over time?	CO2	K2
16.	Explain Hans Morgenthau's realist perspective on international relations and its implications for state behaviour.	CO2	K2
17.	Trace the key criticisms of Marx's theories of capitalism and how they have been addressed by later economists.	CO2	K2
18.	Infer Gandhi's principles of non-violence from his actions during the Indian independence movement.	CO2	K2
	<u>SECTION C</u> ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (EITHER OR CHOICE) IN NOT MORE THAN 350 WORDS 2X10=20		
19(a)	Identify the key differences between Adam Smith's and Karl Marx's views on economic systems. What foundational beliefs shape their theories?	CO3	K3
	OR		
19(b)	Organise the core arguments of Aquinas regarding natural law and its implications for governance.	CO3	K3

20(a)	Apply Hegel's philosophy in understanding the concept of the state? OR	CO3	K3
20(b)	Experiment with Hobbes's concept of the social contract to relate to current political crises.	CO3	K3
<u>SECTION D</u> ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (EITHER OR CHOICE) IN NOT MORE THAN 350WORDS 2X10=20			
21(a)	Analyse the fundamental concepts introduced by John Locke and how they influenced modern democracy. OR	CO4	K4
21(b)	Examine the ways in which Rabindranath Tagore's views on nationalism	CO4	K4
22(a)	Analyze Jawaharlal Nehru's vision of a secular state OR	CO4	K4
22 (b)	Examine Thucydides' views on power and human nature in his account of the Peloponnesian War.	CO4	K4
<u>SECTION E</u> ANSWER ANY ONE QUESTION OUT OF TWO IN NOT MORE THAN 1000 WORDS 1X20=20			
23.	Assess the key contributions of Manu and Kautilya in the context of ancient Indian political thought.	CO5	K5
24.	Evaluate the main features of Ancient Greek Political Thought and their relevance to contemporary political theory.	CO5	K5
