

2016

( 2nd Semester )

POLITICAL SCIENCE

( Honours )

Paper No. : Pol-202

( **Western Political Thought** )

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

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

1. (a) "Plato's Republic is not a work on politics but the finest treatise on education that has ever been written." Elucidate. 14

Or

- (b) Examine Aristotle's classification of Constitutions. Explain his arguments in favour of polity as the best form of government. 7+7=14

2. (a) Critically examine St. Augustine's theory of two cities. 14

Or

- (b) Examine various techniques of statecraft given in *The Prince*. 14

3. (a) Discuss critically Thomas Hobbes' social contract theory. 14

Or

- (b) Critically examine Rousseau's concept of popular sovereignty. 14

4. (a) Give a critical evaluation of Bentham's utilitarianism. 14

Or

- (b) What are J. S. Mill's views on democracy and representative government? 14

5. (a) Briefly discuss Hegel's Dialectic. 14

Or

- (b) Examine Marx's theory of surplus value. 14

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