

**Ba/Pol-401**

**2016**

( 4th Semester )

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Paper No. : POL-401

**( Indian Government and Politics )**

*Full Marks : 70*

*Pass Marks : 45%*

*Time : 3 hours*

**( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )**

*( Marks : 45 )*

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

1. Discuss the legislative relations between the Union and the States. In what way the Union enjoys a superior position over the State in respect of legislative relations? 6+3=9

*Or*

Explain the major tension areas in Union-State relations. 9

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2. Discuss the method of Amendment of the Constitution of India. 9

Or

Discuss the various limitations of the Amendment method of the Constitution of India. 9

3. Examine the various defects of the Indian election system. Suggest measures for the electoral reforms in India. 5+4=9

Or

Discuss the composition, powers and functions of the Election Commission of India. State any two measures for ensuring its independence. 7+2=9

4. Explain the main provisions of the Anti-Defection Act, 1985. Suggest some measures to strengthen the Anti-Defection Law. 6+3=9

Or

Write an essay on political stability. 9

5. What are the causes of communalism in India? Suggest measures for meeting the menace of communalism. 5+4=9

Or

Discuss the role of caste in Indian politics. 9

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 25 )

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**SECTION—A**

Choose the correct answer by putting a Tick (✓) mark in the brackets provided : 1×10=10

**1.** Which one of the following is not a federal feature of the Constitution of India?

(a) Single citizenship ( )

(b) Integrated judiciary (✓)

(c) Division of powers ( )

(d) Flexible constitution ( )

2. Which Part of the Constitution of India provides for the Union-State financial relations?

(a) Part IX ( )

(b) Part XI ( )

(c) Part III ( )

(d) Part XII (✓)

3. The concept of 'Basic Structure of the Constitution' gained currency following Supreme Court's judgement in

(a) Golak Nath Case ( )

(b) Keshavananda Case ( )

(c) Minerva Case ( )

(d) None of the above ( )

4. Which of the following Amendments is regarded as 'mini revision' of the Constitution?

(a) 42nd Amendment ( )

(b) 44th Amendment ( )

(c) 52nd Amendment ( )

(d) 73rd Amendment ( )

5. Which is incorrect about the fundamental principles of a General Election in India?

- (a) There is one general electoral roll for every constituency ( )
- (b) Voting rights has been given to every citizen of India above 21 years of age ( )
- (c) The Election Commission has the power to waive disqualification of a person for reasons to be recorded by it in writing ( )
- (d) No person can be registered as a voter in more than one constituency ( )

6. Both the Communist Parties in India are founded on the ideology of

- (a) Liberalism ( )
- (b) Marxism ( )
- (c) Fabianism ( )
- (d) Marxism-Leninism ( )

7. The final authority to decide whether a person has incurred disqualification on ground of defection lies with the

- (a) President ( )
- (b) Prime Minister ( )
- (c) Chairman/Speaker of the House ( )
- (d) Chief Justice of India ( )

8. Which of the following is not a type of Coalition Government?

(a) Single party majority government ( )

(b) Minority coalition ( )

(c) Oversized coalition ( )

(d) Two-party majority government ( )

9. "The power and activity of caste has increased in proportion as political power passed increasingly to the people from the rulers." Who said this?

(a) Prof. Srinivas ( )

(b) Morris Jones ( )

(c) Prof. Harrison ( )

(d) Rajni Kothari ( )

10. Election campaign should come to an end before — of the actual polling.

(a) 12 hours ( )

(b) 24 hours ( )

(c) 48 hours ( )

(d) None of the above ( )

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SECTION—B

Write short notes on the following :

5×2=10

1. Difference between bye-election and mid-term election

Or

Financial relations between Union and State

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2. Causes of regionalism in India

Or

Any two features of Indian party system

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SECTION—C

State whether the following statements are *True (T)* or *False (F)* by putting a Tick (✓) mark : 1×5=5

1. India is a pure Federal State.

( T / F )

2. The States are bound to carry out faithfully all directions issued by the Centre.

( T / F )

3. The basic structure of the Indian Constitution can be amended by the Parliament by a special majority.

( T / F )

4. One of the main causes of political defection is due to the strong ideological foundation of political parties.

( T / F )

5. The creation of linguistic States has emerged as a formidable basis of regionalism.

( T / F )

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