

**2023**

**( 4th Semester )**

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**Paper : 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. (a) India is a quasi-federal State. Discuss. 9
- Or*
- (b) Explain the administrative relations between the Centre and the States. 9
2. (a) Critically discuss the Amendment procedure of the Indian Constitution. 9

Or

(b) Evaluate the basic structure concept of the Indian Constitution. 9

3. (a) Discuss how the electoral process is carried out in India. 9

Or

(b) Explain the various electoral reforms introduced by the Election Commission of India. 9

4. (a) What do you understand by the term 'defection'? What are the causes of defection in Indian politics? 3+6=9

Or

(b) Discuss the development of coalition politics in India. 9

5. (a) Discuss the growth of communalism in contemporary India. 9

Or

(b) Regionalism is a threat to the unity and integrity of India. Explain. 9

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 25 )

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**SECTION—I**

( Marks : 10 )

**A.** Put a Tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the brackets provided : 1×10=10

1. Which of the following is a federal feature under the Indian Constitution?

- (a) Rigid Constitution ( )
- (b) Written Constitution ( )
- (c) Independent Judiciary ( )
- (d) All of the above ( )



2. Which Part of the Indian Constitution deals with the financial relations between the Centre and the States?

- (a) Part-X ( )
- (b) Part-XI ( )
- (c) Part-XII ( )
- (d) None of the above ( )

3. Which Amendment is often regarded as the Mini Constitution of India?

- (a) 42nd Amendment ( )
- (b) 44th Amendment ( )
- (c) 52nd Amendment ( )
- (d) 61st Amendment ( )

4. Which Article deals with the Amendment procedure?

- (a) Article 256 ( )
- (b) Article 268 ( )
- (c) Article 356 ( )
- (d) Article 360 ( )

5. The Election Commission of India is

- (a) an extra constitutional body ( )
- (b) an autonomous body ( )
- (c) created by an Act of the Parliament ( )
- (d) None of the above ( )

6. Which Part of the Constitution deals with the election system?

- (a) Part-XII ( )
- (b) Part-XV ( )
- (c) Part-XVIII ( )
- (d) All of the above ( )

7. The oldest political party in India is the

- (a) BJP ( )
- (b) CPI ( )
- (c) INC ( )
- (d) NPF ( )



8. Election campaign should come to an end before \_\_\_\_\_ of actual polling.
- (a) 12 hours ( )
  - (b) 24 hours ( )
  - (c) 36 hours ( )
  - (d) 48 hours ( )
9. Defection has been curbed in India under the
- (a) 10th Schedule ( )
  - (b) 11th Schedule ( )
  - (c) 12th Schedule ( )
  - (d) None of the above ( )
10. Coalition politics means a system of governance by
- (a) a group of political parties ( )
  - (b) a single party ( )
  - (c) a majority party ( )
  - (d) None of the above ( )

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SECTION—II

( Marks : 10 )

B. Write short notes on the following :

5×2=10

1. Some tension areas between the Centre and the States

Or

Reason for political instability in India

2. Politics of caste

Or

Characteristics of party system in India

3x2=10

I. Some tension areas between the Centre and the States

Reason for political instability in India

(a) 10th Schedule

(b) 11th Schedule

(c) 12th Schedule

(d) State of Emergency



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SECTION—III

( Marks : 5 )

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

1. Indian federalism is based on the Canadian model.

( T / F )

2. Part XX of the Constitution deals with the Amendment methods.

( T / F )

3. The 61st Amendment Act reduced the voting age from 21 to 18 years.

( T / F )

4. The Janata Party formed the first Coalition Government at the Centre in 1977.

( T / F )

5. Caste is a factor in Indian politics.

( T / F )

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