2025

(FYUGP)

(3rd Semester)

# POLITICAL SCIENCE

(MAJOR)

Paper Code: POL/H/C-6

# (Classical Political Philosophy)

Full Marks: 75
Pass Marks: 40%

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. (a) Critically examine Plato's idea of the Philosopher King in *The Republic*. 15

Or

- (b) Discuss the main principles of Plato's theory of education.
- 2. (a) Evaluate Aristotle's idea of slavery in the context of his theory of the State. 15

## Or

- (b) Explain Aristotle's conception of a revolution. Discuss the causes and its remedies. 3+12=15
- **3.** (a) Explain Machiavelli's justification of the use of force and deceived in politics as discussed in *The Prince*.

### Or

- (b) Discuss Machiavelli's views on morality and statecraft.
- 4. (a) Critically examine Thomas Hobbes' views on human nature and the state of nature.

#### Or

- (b) "The Leviathan is the greatest, perhaps the sole, masterpiece of political philosophy written in English language." Comment.
- **5.** (a) Explain John Locke's concept of the law of nature.

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(b) Discuss Locke's idea of Natural Rights in relation to his theory of the social contract.