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End Semester Examination, December 2021

Course: Political thought and thinkers

Semester : I

Program: BA Public Policy & Administration

Duration : 3 Hours

Course Code: BAPP 1008

Max. Marks: 100

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Each Question will carry equal Marks section wise

Q.No	Section A	10Qx2M=20Marks	COs
1	In Western thought on political theory, two of the popular treatise - <i>The Prince</i> and <i>The Discourses</i> – are written by whom?		CO1
2	What is Feminism?		CO1
3	Who first formulated the modern form of social contract theory?		CO1
4	Define Teleological view of the world.		CO2
5	According to Rousseau, what is legitimate political authority based on?		CO1
6	Ram Manohar Lohia was a communist activist associated with Dalit movement of Western India. True/False?		CO1
7	Who was the founder of “deconstruction”, a way of criticizing not only both literary and philosophical texts but also political institutions?		CO2

8	Understanding of alienation, historical materialism, proletariat, bourgeoisie, and class struggle – these concepts are part of writings of which political philosopher?		CO1
9	In the Indian political context, arrange the following chronologically: (a) Right to Education; (b) Indirect tax reforms; (c) Economic reforms; (d) First Nuclear Test; (e) Nationalization of Banks.		CO2
10	Who is credited to popularize the term ‘Hindutva’ with his publications namely, <i>Essentials of Hindutva</i> , and <i>Hindutva: Who is a Hindu</i> ?		CO1
Section B		4Qx5M= 20 Marks	
11	According to Gramsci, “Hegemony is primarily based on the organization of the consent.” Discuss.		CO4
12	Comment on the Rawlsian idea of justice.		CO2
13	Briefly describe the Allegory of the Caves.		CO3
14	Liberalism as a revolutionary idea. Comment.		CO3
Section C		3Qx10M=30 Marks	
15	Briefly outline some of the Ambedkar’s ideas on the nation, state, politics, rights and Constitution. How some of these ideas were in conflict with Mahatma Gandhi’s?		CO4
16	Discuss Kautilya’s views on the elements of the State.		CO2
17	Other Backward Class perspective in Indian political system. Discuss. OR Gender perspective in Indian political system. Discuss.		CO3
Section D		2Qx15M= 30 Marks	

18	<p>In his last speech at the Constituent Assembly on November 25, 1949, Dr. Ambedkar gave one of the greatest speeches in the Parliament, where he says,</p> <p><i>“..These methods are nothing but the Grammar of Anarchy and the sooner they are abandoned, the better for us.”</i></p> <p>In light of present political context with the Farm bills and CAA/NRC protest among others, express your views on the relevance of his speech?</p>		CO4
19	<p>Critically examine the neo-liberal theory of state.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Critically examine the utilitarian and deontological thoughts in ethics?</p>		CO3