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M.A DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MARCH 2026

Third Semester

M.A Political Science

M23PS03DE – Public Policy in India

(2024 July admissions)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions in a word or sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Who introduced the concept of 'Policy Sciences' in 1951?
2. Who is the chairman of the NITI Aayog?
3. Who said, "Public policy is whatever the government chooses to do or not to do?"
4. Who explained "policy decisions" are those made by public officials that shape or authorize public policy?
5. Which type of public policy is followed by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)?
6. According to Cobb and Elder there are two major types of policy agendas. What are they?
7. Who introduced the incremental approach to public policy?
8. What do you mean by Distributive policies?
9. What do you mean by National Development Council?
10. Which organ of the Government assesses whether executive decisions align with both constitutional provisions and the laws enacted by Parliament?
11. What is the role of Comptroller and Auditor General?
12. Distinguish private interest groups and public interest groups.
13. What is delegated legislation?
14. What is lobbying?
15. What is meant by administrative responsibility?

(1X10=10)

Section B

Answer any five of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.

16. What is Planning? What are central to Planning?
17. Distinguish ex-ante and ex-post policy analysis.

18. What do you mean by Distributive policies? Write down any two aims of Distributive policies?
19. Examine the Elite theory enunciated by Gaetano Mosca.
20. Explain the Cost–Benefit Analysis (CBA) Approach.
21. Examine the role of Cabinet Secretary in public policy making in India.
22. What is policy monitoring?
23. Discuss the types of evaluation of public policy.
24. What are the three components of the Executive?
25. What is the significance of judicial Review?

(2X5=10)

Section C

Answer any five of the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 4 marks.

26. Examine the major Features of Public Policy.
27. According to Stuart S. Nagel, there are four important parts of policy analysis. what are they?
28. Assess the utility of Systems theory in understanding public policy.
29. Explain the characteristics of Incremental Approach to public policy.
30. Explain the major steps in policy formulation, according to James E. Anderson.
31. Analyse the functions of the Cabinet Secretariat.
32. Write a note on Political Executive bodies in India.
33. Examine the conditions for Responsible Political Parties, according to Edwards and Sharkansky.

(4X5=20)

Section D

Answer any three of the following questions in two pages each. Each question carries 10 marks.

34. Explain Group Theory and examine its key features.
35. Assess the role of the Cabinet as the principal policy-making authority in India. What are its sources of power?
36. Examine the role of Media in Public Policy-Making.
37. Explain the role of Legislature, Executive and Judiciary in public policy making.
38. Examine the scope and significance of public policy.
39. Analyze the different stages in Public Policy Analysis.

(10X3=30)