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Enrollment Number:

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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, AUGUST 2025
Second Semester
M.A. Political Science
M23PS06DC –Modern Western Political Thought
(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. The author of the book “The Prince.”
2. What is Scientific Socialism?
3. Define Civil Society.
4. Who wrote the book Leviathan?
5. What is Cultural Hegemony?
6. What is Primitive Communism?
7. State Engels’s views on family.
8. What is Alienation?
9. Define the concept of General Will.
10. Define Individualism.
11. Define Class Struggle.
12. What is Minimal State?
13. What is Surplus Value?
14. Whose concept is Felicific Calculus?
15. Define Distributive Justice.

(1X10=10)

Section B

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

16. Discuss the Lockean idea of Natural Rights.
17. “Greatest happiness of the greatest number”. Comment.
18. Explain Gramsci’s concept of Civil Society.
19. Examine Rousseau’s views on Civilization.
20. Explain Louis Althusser’s theory of Structuralism.
21. What is Historical Materialism?

22. Explain Hegelian Idealism.
23. Elucidate Negative Liberty.
24. Comment on Mao's Cultural Revolution.
25. Explain Robert Nozick's Entitlement Theory.

(2X5=10)

Section C

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

26. Explain the theory of Communitarianism.
27. Critically examine Hobbes views on State of Nature.
28. State and criticize J S Mill's views on Liberty.
29. Explain Hegelian Dialectics.
30. What is the basic principles of Utilitarianism?
31. Discuss Machiavelli's views on Government.
32. Explain Gramsci's theory of Hegemony.
33. Discuss Lenin's theory of Imperialism.

(4X5=20)

Section D

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

34. Discuss Mao's theory of Revolution.
35. Evaluate Hegel's relevance in Contemporary Political Thought.
36. Discuss Fredrich Hayek's contributions to Modern Political Thought.
37. Explore J. S. Mill's contributions to Utilitarianism.
38. Comment on Hobbes's Political Realism.
39. Give an account of Robert Nozick's Libertarian Philosophy.

(10X3=30)