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**M.A DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, APRIL 2025**

**First Semester**

**M.A Public Administration**

**M23PA03DC – Introduction to Public Policy**

**(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. What is public policy?
2. What are the types of public policy according to Theodore Lowi?
3. Mention one key feature of rationalism in public policy.
4. Who introduced the Black Box Model in political systems theory?
5. What is meant by policy subsystems?
6. Name one institution responsible for policy formulation in a state.
7. What is incrementalism in public policy?
8. Who is associated with the elite theory of public policy?
9. What is agenda setting in public policy?
10. What is meant by policy legitimation?
11. What is the role of policy evaluation?
12. Name one factor affecting public policy.
13. What is meant by policy research in public administration?
14. What is the concept of the Garbage Can Model?
15. Name a major challenge in policy implementation.

**(1X10=10)**

**Section B**

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

16. Write a short note on the significance of public policy in governance.
17. Differentiate between official and unofficial policy actors.
18. What are the key elements of policy formulation?
19. Discuss the importance of socio-economic conditions in policy-making.

20. What are the main characteristics of political culture according to Gabriel Almond and Sydney Verba?
21. Explain the concept of public choice theory.
22. What are the stages involved in policy evaluation?
23. Define the Iron Triangle in policy subsystems.
24. What role does globalization play in public policy?
25. Mention two constraints in policy evaluation.

**(2X5=10)**

### **Section C**

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

26. Discuss the scope and significance of public policy.
27. Explain the role of institutionalism in public policy.
28. Explain the major stages of policy implementation?
29. Describe the process theory of public policy.
30. How does political culture influence policy decisions?
31. Discuss the techniques used in policy evaluation.
32. Give a detailed account on the challenges in policy formulation and adoption?
33. Explain the impact of policy subsystems on public policy.

**(4X5=20)**

### **Section D**

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

34. Write an essay on the evolution of public policy as an academic discipline.
35. Discuss in detail the major theories of public policy.
36. Explain the policy-making process with suitable examples.
37. Examine the factors affecting public policy in India.
38. Discuss the role of various official and unofficial policy actors affecting public policy.
39. Explain the significance of policy research in public administration.

**(10X3=30)**