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(3rd Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

THIRD PAPER

(**Major Political Systems**)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

UNIT—I

1. "The Rule of Law is an essential guarantee of the liberty of the English people." Comment. 10

Or

Describe the main features of the British Cabinet system.

UNIT—II

2. Senate is the most powerful second chamber in the world. Discuss. 10

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Or

Examine the working of the Federal system in the USA.

UNIT—III

3. Describe the composition and powers of the Swiss Federal Council. 10

Or

Discuss the nature of direct democracy in Switzerland.

UNIT—IV

4. Discuss the ideological basis of the Constitution of the People's Republic of China. 10

Or

Discuss the organisation and role of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress.

UNIT—V

5. Discuss the organisation and role of the Communist Party of China. 10

Or

Write briefly on the role of two dominant parties in the US political system.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

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SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided : 1×10=10

1. The two major political parties in UK are

- (a) Labour and Liberal Parties ()
- (b) Labour and Democratic Parties ()
- (c) Conservative and Labour Parties ()
- (d) Conservative and Liberal Parties ()

2. In the People's Republic of China, the Constitution can be amended by

- (a) the National People's Congress ()
- (b) the State Council ()
- (c) the Communist Party ()
- (d) the Supreme People's Court ()

3. The Swiss Council of States consists of

- (a) 44 members ()
- (b) 46 members ()
- (c) 48 members ()
- (d) 50 members ()

4. The Constitution of the USA was adopted in the year

- (a) 1787 ()
- (b) 1788 ()
- (c) 1789 ()
- (d) 1790 ()

(3)

5. The Magna Carta was signed in

(a) 1254 ()

(b) 1236 ()

(c) 1251 ()

(d) 1215 ()

6. People's Republic of China was established on

(a) June 3, 1948

(b) October 1, 1949 ()

(c) August 17, 1950 ()

(d) September 20, 1954 ()

7. Referendum is practised in

(a) UK ()

(b) USA ()

(c) Switzerland ()

(d) China ()

8. The lower house of the legislature in US is

- (a) Senate ()
- (b) House of Commons ()
- (c) House of Lords ()
- (d) House of Representatives ()

9. The Presiding Officer of the House of Lords is

- (a) the Speaker ()
- (b) the Queen/King ()
- (c) the Lord Chancellor ()
- (d) the Seniormost Peer ()

10. The highest court in USA is

- (a) Special Federal Court ()
- (b) District Court ()
- (c) Federal Court ()
- (d) Supreme Court ()

(5)

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following questions in about 4/5 sentences each :

3×5=15

1. What is meant by 'ministerial responsibility' in the British Governmental system?

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2. Explain Senatorial Courtesy in the US political system.

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3. What do you mean by 'initiative' in Swiss political system?

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4. How is the Chinese Premier appointed?

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5. Write briefly about the Labour Party of UK.

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