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(Nov/Dec)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Core)

Paper : C-11

(Classical Political Philosophy)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Answer the following as directed : 1×8=8

- (a) When was Mary Wollstonecraft's book, *The Vindication of the Rights of Women* published?
- (b) Who is the author of the book, *Decline of Modern Political Theory*?
- (c) Plato was a realist/idealist/rationalist /Marxist.

(Choose the correct answer)

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(d) According to Aristotle, the best form of government is democracy/polity/ monarchy/oligarchy.

(Choose the correct answer)

(e) Who is the author of the book, *The Statesman*?

(f) Thomas Hobbes was a supporter of limited monarchy/absolute monarchy/ popular sovereignty/parliamentary democracy.

(Choose the correct answer)

(g) John Locke was a French Philosopher / an English Philosopher / an American Philosopher / a German Philosopher.

(Choose the correct answer)

(h) The concept of 'legal sovereignty' was given by Hobbes / John Locke / Rousseau / Bentham.

(Choose the correct answer)

Answer the following questions (**within 500 words** each) :

3. Critically discuss post-modernist approach to the interpretation of text. 12

Or

Evaluate Straussian approach to the interpretation of text. 12

4. Who is philosopher king? Explain Plato's views on the rule of philosopher king. 3+8=11

Or

Critically analyze Aristotle's theory of the State. 11

5. Discuss Machiavelli's concept of virtue. 11

Or

Explain Machiavelli's views on republicanism. 11

2. Write on the following (**within 150 words** each) : 4×4=16

(a) Plato's theory of justice

(b) Causes of revolution (Aristotle)

(c) Machiavelli's views on human nature

(d) Thomas Hobbes's ideas on state of nature

6. Evaluate Thomas Hobbes's ideas on human nature. 11

Or

Critically discuss social contract theory of Hobbes. 11

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7. Describe John Locke's views on property. 11

Or

Analyze John Locke's concept of natural rights. 11
