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[Time:3 Hours]

[Marks:100]

Q1 Answer in not more than Two

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- a) Give a definition of Political Science?
- b) What is the primary focus of Political Science?
- c) Why is the State regarded as a politically organised Society?
- d) Name two differences between the State and other Associations.
- e) Which political thinker advocated the role of Philosopher Kings and why?
- f) What is the qualitative basis of Aristotle's classification of Government? What is the corrupt form of Rule of Few as given by Aristotle?
- g) Name two advices given by Machiavelli to the prudent Prince.
- h) What is the Hare formula of Proportional Representation?
- i) Name two subjects under the Union List as given in the constitution of India
- j) Name any two features of Rule of Law as given by A.V.Dicey.

Q2 Write short notes on any Four

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- a) State & Government comparative study
- b) Role of the PM in a Parliamentary government
- c) Functional Representation & it's defects
- d) Demerits of a Unitary Government
- e) Sovereignty as soul of the state
- f) Three Methods for appointment of the Judges

Q3 Answer any Two

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a) Recently the Supreme Court in a landmark judgment declared the practice of triple talaq (Talaq –e –biddat, 3 pronouncement of Talaq at one and same time) as unconstitutional .The

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SC decision has established the supremacy of rule of law, gender equality as given in the Constitution of India.

- a) Identify and explain the role of the judiciary in relation to the constitution on the basis of the given facts.
- b) What is Judge -made laws? Give one example of Judge -made laws from India.
- ii) On October 1st, 2017, Catalonia, a prosperous region in Spain with it's own language and culture conducted an independence referendum. In this referendum a majority of the Catalan voters voted to secede from Spain. The Central government in Madrid responded by dismissing the Catalonian provincial government and imposed direct rule over Catalonia.
- a) What will be the impact on the sovereignty of the Spanish state if the secession bid by Catalonia is successful?
- b) What is Thomas Hobbes perception of the human life in the State of Nature? What is the nature of Sovereign power as given by Hobbes?
- iii) In October 2017, the apex court in India revisited an earlier SC order on playing the national anthem in cinema halls before the screening of films. The SC court asked the central government to decide on this matter and if they want to bring in a rule as this issue falls under the purview of the government. Thus judiciary sticking to it's role of interpreting the law, rather than writing new law against the spirit of the doctrine of the separation of powers as given in the Indian Constitution.
- a) Who is the chief advocate of the doctrine of Separation of Powers? Name two reasons for the need of Separation of Powers in a constitutional democracy.
- b) Name three defects of the doctrine of the Separation of Powers.

Q4. Answer any Four

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- a) Explain John Austin theory of Sovereignty.
- b) What is the importance of Territory as a constituent element of the State .Discuss the demerits of the Presidential Government .

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- c) Discuss the pattern of the distribution of powers in a federation . Write a note on India as quasi Federal state.
- d) Discuss the different methods to ensure Minority Representation.
- e) Discuss the application of the doctrine of Separation of Powers in the US political system.
- f) Why is the federal constitution essentially written and rigid? Discuss the position of the judiciary in a federation.
