2016

M.A.

4th Semester Examination POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH RURAL ADMINISTRATION

PAPER-PLS-401

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

COURSE NO.—PLS/401/A (LGP)

[Theories of Local Government]

Group-A

(20 marks)

1. Answer any one of the following:

1×10

- (a) How does local politics affect the functioning of the local government?
- (b) Write about the major types of decentralisation.

(Turn Over)

2. Answer any two of the following:

2×5

- (a) Write a brief note on the advantages of Centralisation.
- (b) What do you understand by 'democratic participation' in local government?
- (c) What is 'deconcentration'?

Group-B

(20 marks)

3. Answer any one of the following:

1×10

- (a) Elaborate on the Gandhian idea of village Swaraj in the light of 'Oceanic Circles'.
- (b) How does the failure of administrative reforms affect local Government in Bangladesh?
- 4. Answer any two of the following:

2×5

- (a) Briefly note J. S. Mill's main arguments in favour of local representative bodies' in England.
- (b) Describe the structure of local government in Bangladesh.
- (c) What are the main types of local authority in England?

[Internal Assessment: 10 marks]

COURSE NO.—PLS/401/B (SPSA)

[Major Issues in South Asian Politics]

Group-A

(20 marks)

1. Answer any one of the following:

1×10

- (a) Examine the debates over defining South Asia as a region.
- (b) Examine the process of democratization in Nepal since 1990s.
- 2. Answer any two of the following:

2×5

- (a) Discuss, in brief, the challenges posed by Islamic extremism in South Asia.
- (b) Briefly comment on the non-traditional security threats in South Asia.
- (c) What do you mean Indo-Centrism' in South Asia?

Group-B

(20 marks)

3. Answer any one of the following:

1×10

(a) Write a note on the refugee scenario in South Asia.

- (b) Examine the role of nuclear weapons in South Asia with special reference to India-Pakistan relations.
- 4. Answer any two of the following:

2×5

- (a) Discuss, in brief, the nature of environmental issues affecting contemporary South Asia.
- (b) Briefly examine the roots of conflict between India and Pakistan.
- (c) Examine, in brief, the importance of NFU (No First Use) nuclear weapons from India's perspective.

[Internal Assessment: 10 marks]