

2013

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.

COURSE NO.—PLS/401/A (LGP)

[THEORIES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT]

Group-A

(20 marks)

1. Answer any one of the following : 1×10
- (a) What is Local Government? Explain the various dimensions of local government.
 - (b) Examine the Linkages between people's participation and decentralisation.

(Turn Over)

2. Answer any *two* of the following : 5×2
- (a) Identify the basic patterns of local government.
 - (b) Justify briefly the case for local government.
 - (c) Briefly discuss the Neo-Liberal Mode of decentralisation.

Group-B

(20 marks)

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10×1
- (a) Explain Gandhi's views of local government.
 - (b) Evaluate the role and functions of *Gram Sarkar* in Bangladesh.
4. Answer any *two* of the following : 5×2
- (a) "The small communities ... may be called the tiny fountain-head of democracy." (Bryce) — Explain.
 - (b) Discuss, in brief, the 'nation-building' role of local government.
 - (c) What is Local State ?

[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 various phases of democratic developments in Sri Lanka.
 - (b) Comment on the current security scenario in South Asia.

2. Answer any *two* of the following : 2×5
 - (a) Discuss, in brief, the controversy surrounding South Asia as a region.
 - (b) Examine the importance of Eighth Constitutional Amendment (1986) in Pakistan.
 - (c) Briefly comment on the involvement of external powers in the spread of Islamic extremism in Pakistan.

Group-B*(20 marks)*

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10×1
- (a) Examine the challenges emerging out of mechanisation of South Asia.
 - (b) Comment on the nature of cooperation and conflict on South Asia.
4. Answer any *two* of the following : 2×5
- (a) Briefly discuss the impact of nuclear tests conducted by India and Pakistan on security in South Asia.
 - (b) Would you agree with the view that environmental stress increases the prospects of low intensity conflict in South Asia? Justify.
 - (c) Examine, in brief, the linkage between 'Modernity' and 'Refugees'.

[Internal Assessment : 10 marks]
