

M.A. 4th Semester Examination, 2015

POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH RURAL
ADMINISTRATION

(*Theories of Local Government/Major Issues in
South Asian Politics*)

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

Answer **all** questions

*The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks
Candidates are required to give their answers in their
own words as far as practicable*

(*Theories of Local Government*)

COURSE No. — PLS- 401/A(LGP)

GROUP —A

[*Marks : 20*]

1. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1

(*Turn Over*)

- (a) Indicate the place of local government in democratic theory.
- (b) What is decentralization? Explore the relationship between decentralization and development.
2. Answer any *two* of the following : 5×2
- (a) Identify the fundamental characteristics of devolution.
- (b) What are the different types of local government prevalent in the world?
- (c) Write a brief note on the approaches to the study of local government in India.

GROUP – B

[Marks : 20]

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10×1
- (a) Examine the relevance of Gandhi's concept of decentralization.
- (b) Analyse the changing role of local governments in the developing countries.

4. Answer any two of the following : 5 × 2

- (a) How does Mill view the relationship between the central and local government in democracy?
- (b) "They suffice to show that popular government is not a new thing in the world" – (Bryce) Explain.
- (c) Briefly point out the changing functions of local government in the United Kingdom.

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]

(*Major Issues in South Asian Politics*)

COURSE No. – PLS- 401/B(SPSA)

GROUP –A

[*Marks* : 20]

1. Answer any one of the following : 10 × 1

- (a) Define nationalism. Comment on the trends of nationalism in South Asia in the backdrop of Third World Nationalism.

- (b) Discuss the non-conventional security challenges in South Asia.
2. Answer any *two* of the following : 5 × 2
- (a) Discuss, in brief, the role of external powers in fomenting Islamic extremism in South Asia.
- (b) Briefly examine the role of political factors in defining South Asia as a region.
- (c) Discuss the key features of nationalism in South Asia.

GROUP – B

[Marks : 20]

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1
- (a) Examine the role played by Pakistan in the process of nuclearisation in South Asia.
- (b) Discuss the nature of conflict among the South Asian States.

4. Answer any *two* of the following : 5

- (a) Explain, in brief, that refugees in South Asia are the outcome of post colonial state system.
- (b) Briefly examine two key environmental issues in South Asia.
- (c) Critically analyse the implications of the 1998 nuclear tests conducted by India and Pakistan.

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]