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POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS

For each paper: Time Allowed : Three Hours Maximum Marks : 250

There are EIGHT questions divided in two Sections and printed both in HINDI and in ENGLISH.

Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.

Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Question-cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided. No marks will be given for answers written in medium other than the authorized one.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

Attempts of questions shall be counted in chronological order. Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.



Section A

1. Answer the following questions in about 150 words each : 12 x 5=50
 - a) Examining political phenomena through a process of cross - global investigation has become the fundamental function of Comparative Politics. Discuss.
 - b) How did the struggle for representation increase the level and quality of democracy in the industrial societies?
 - c) Do you agree that liberal international theories are essentially Eurocentric and not necessarily imperialist?
 - d) Review the increasing role of Multi National Corporations in the policy making process of developing countries.
 - e) Why is the 'polarity of power' thesis less relevant and meaningful in the present architecture of balance of power?
2. Answer the following questions in about 200 words each (20+15+15=60)
 - a) What are the great debates between classical and modern realists? Is there any thin line of continuity between these two traditions?



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- b) Does the perspective of Dependency Theory offer a robust critique on the nature of mainstream development process taking place in Africa and Latin America?
- c) Is 'terrorism' an essentially 'contested' concept? What are the different manifestations of 'terrorism' as a concept, and as practice?

3. Answer the following questions in about 200 words each (15 x 4 =60)

- a) What have been the main challenges to India's foreign policy in the last two decades? Are these essentially concerns with domestic politics or strategic issues?
- b) What constitutes national security discourses? How far have the IR Feminists questioned how security has been problematical?
- c) Evaluate the nature and distinction of anomic and associational interest groups in the pressure politics of developing countries.
- d) Elucidate the transdisciplinary nature of modern comparative politics and identify the contributions of political sociologists towards this goal.

4. Answer the following questions in about 200 words each (20 x 3=60 m)

- a) How far have the UN reform efforts of 2004 - 5, transformed the concept of Sovereignty as a fundamental principle of International Law? Do you think that UN reform discourse represents a bio political reprogramming of contemporary sovereignty and global governance?
- b) How would you explain the future of 'Nuclear Deterrence'? Do you think that preventive war is a good substitute for Nuclear Deterrence?
- c) Examine the significance of ideological and policy aspects in the structural growth of modern political parties.

Section-B

5. Answer the following questions in about 150 words each: 12 x 5 = 60

- a) Illustrate the issue of illegal cross - border migration in South Asia and its impact on regional alliances and bilateral relations.
- b) "Human Rights constitute the Third Generation of Rights" Analyse the range and complex dimension of Human Rights in the globalised era.
- c) Is there any linkage between a shift in China's relations with Japan to a perceived shift in her relations with India? Examine in the light of China's so - called 'anti - encirclement struggle'



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- d) Comment on the essential elements of India's foreign policy that are required to secure energy and security in the Indian Ocean region.
- e) Is it correct to conclude that the Arab Street revolutions have radically altered the political power scenario of the West Asian countries?

6. Answer the following questions in about 250 words each (20 x 3=60)

- a) How would you describe the contemporary worlds beyond the language of North/South and Developed / Developing? Is the present transformation driven by domestic compulsions, or external overall crisis of the global economy?
- b) Is power a zero - sum or variable game in international relations? Can zero - sum game explain the mixture of conflict and cooperation of the present dynamics of international relations?
- c) Assess the scope and importance of setting up the Public Diplomacy Division in the Ministry of External Affairs in strengthening India's Foreign Policy.

7. Answer the following questions in about 200 words each (15 x 4 =60m)

- a) The effort in restricting illegal migration from Mexico to U.S.A and Canada has been one major gain for the united states through NAFTA Comment
- b) Bring out linkages between environmental degradation and neo - corporation in the globalised era.
- c) National and states have been virtually synonymous Elucidate.
- d) Despite the potentialities India's look east policy requires a major course correction . Discuss.

8. Answer the following questions in about 250 words each (20 x 3 = 60)

- a) Do you think that Iran's victory in the NAM on the nuclear issue has brought in neq debate on the relevance of the Non - Aligned Movement?
- b) What are the political and environmental contexts of the Siachen Glacier conflict? comment on the possibility of environmental peace - keeping and collaborative arrangements being worked out with Pakistan on this aspect.
- c) Examine the idea of a balance between security and liberty in modern international politics. Do you think that the liberal international order is more security friendly ?