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**SEMESTER-I**  
**FOUNDATIONS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
**QUESTION BANK**  
**UNIT-1**  
**PART-I (SHORT QUESTIONS)**

**PART-1 Answer each question in 20 words**

1. Write the definition of Political Science given by Garner.
2. The word politics has been originated from which language.
3. Write two characteristics of traditional perspective of political Science.
4. Who was the author of "Politics"
5. State any two arguments against the term political science.
6. Write any two models of traditional political science.
7. State two methods of traditional political science.
8. Who said political science as modern science?
9. Write any two characteristics of modern political science.
10. What is the basis of behavioralism?
11. What is the foundation of behavioralism?
12. Which scholar is linked with both behavioralism and post- behavioralism?
13. Write the names of the books written by Graham Wallas, Arthur Bentley, Charles Mariam and David Easton.
14. 'Credo of Relevance' is related to which theory of political science.
15. Who explained the use of post- behavioralism in the form of dialectical process?

**PART-2 Answer each question in 50 words**

1. State two differences between political science and political philosophy.
2. Examine the political science as both art and a science.
3. Write any four significance of traditional political science perspective.
4. Write any four features of modern political science perspective.
5. Write the approaches of modern political science.
6. What is behavioralism?
7. What are the causes of rise of behavioralism?
8. Write any two drawbacks of behavioralism.
9. Define inter-disciplinary approach.
10. Write the differences between behavioralism and post- behavioralism.

**PART-3 long questions**

1. Discuss the nature and scope of political science according to the traditional view.
2. Explain the characteristics of traditional perspective of political science.
3. State the features of modern political science perspective.

4. Differentiate between traditional and modern view of political science.
5. Explain behavioralism. Describe its basic characteristics and limitations.
6. Examine the factors responsible for the emergence of behavioralism.
7. Describe the basic features of post- behavioralism. What were the causes of the development of post- behavioralism?
8. Examine the nature and significance of post- behavioralism.
9. What is inter-disciplinary approach? Discuss its salient features.
10. Discuss the relationship of political science with history, psychology, sociology and economics.

**UNIT-2**  
**PART-I (SHORT QUESTIONS)**

**PART-1 Answer each question in 20 words**

1. Who is called as father of constitutionalism?
2. What is the basis of constitutionalism?
3. What is constitutional government?
4. Who is the author of the book “Modern Democracies”.
5. Explain referendum?
6. Which factor is responsible for the rise of dictatorship after First World War?
7. What is a unitary system of government?
8. Name some countries with a unitary system.
9. What is a federal system of government?
10. How can disputes between federal and state governments be resolved?
11. Write two basic features of Parliamentary and Presidential form of government?
12. Explain Presidential form of government.
13. Name two countries in which Multi-party system exists.
14. Write two demerits of bi-party system.
15. Write two characteristics of pressure groups?

**PART-2 Answer each question in 50 words**

1. What is the difference between constitution and constitutionalism?
2. Give suggestions to solve the problem of constitutionalism.
3. What are the basic principles of democracy?
4. Write the various theories of democracy?
5. According to Allen Ball which are the two types of dictatorship.
6. Write the characteristics of federal type of government
7. What are the advantages of a federal system?
8. What is parliamentary form of government?
9. Write essential features of political parties?

**PART-3 long questions**

1. Define constitutionalism and its elements.
2. Discuss the bases of constitutionalism and the main problems against constitutionalism.

3. Define democracy. Discuss its merits and demerits.
4. "Democracy is the worst form of government except the rest". Explain
5. Define characteristics, merits and demerits of Dictatorship.
6. What are the reasons of prevalence of democracy over dictatorship?
7. What are the features of federal form of government? Is India a federal state?
8. Evaluate the role of the head of state in both Presidential and Parliamentary form of government.
9. Critically evaluate the role of political parties in a political system.
10. Describe types and techniques of the pressure groups. What is the relevance of pressure groups in the political system of the country?

### UNIT-3

#### PART-I (SHORT QUESTIONS)

##### **PART-1 Answer each question in 20 words**

1. What is the aim of proportional representation system?
2. What is the meaning of constituency?
3. What is the meaning of Electoral College?
4. Explain Droop formula?
5. Which country is called as the 'Mother of the Parliaments'?
6. What are the three organs of the government and what are their functions?
7. Write any two reasons for the decline of the legislature.
8. What is a political system?
9. What are the three properties of Political System as explained by Almond?
10. Who is the proponent of the political development?
11. Write two crisis in political development.
12. Write two characteristics of political modernisation.
13. Who are the thinkers associated with the systematic study of political culture.
14. What is the role of values and beliefs in the political culture?
15. Write any two features of political socialisation.

##### **PART-2 Answer each question in 50 words**

1. What is functional representation?
2. What are the three major methods of representation?
3. What is Gerrymandering?
4. What is separate electorate system?
5. What are the reasons for increasing delegated legislation?
6. What is feedback loop according to David Easton?
7. Explain the idea of 'political Decay' in Political development.
8. Briefly explain Edward Shils Model of political modernisation
9. What are the types of political culture?
10. Define political socialisation.

##### **PART-3 long questions**

1. How does the system of proportional representation make the legislature more representative and democratic?

2. Explain the major methods of representation
3. Evaluate the role of government as an organ of government.
4. Discuss the various organs of the government and their relationship with each other.
5. Discuss the merits and demerits of the bi-cameral legislature.
6. Explain David Easton's Input-output model?
7. Define the term 'Political Development' with special reference to the views of Lucian Pye.
8. Explain political Modernisation and describe its salient features and determinants.
9. Critically examine the concept of political culture.
10. Examine the relationship between the political culture and political socialisation.

#### **UNIT-4**

##### **PART-I (SHORT QUESTIONS)**

1. "Dictatorship of the Proletariat" is associated with which thinker.
2. Write the names of the books written by Karl Marx
3. Who is called as the father of Scientific Socialism?
4. Who is the founder of liberalism?
5. Define modern or positive liberalism.
6. What is the basic essence of theory of idealism?
7. State's Absolutism is concerned with which ideology of political science.
8. Which thinker criticised the idealistic theory as mystical theory.
9. Which ideology strongly opposes the idea of state?
10. Who is called as the father of Anarchism?
11. Write any two Anarchist thinkers.
12. Who is the profounder of Anarchism in the modern state?
13. What is the aim of feminism?
14. Write the name of any two liberal feminists.
15. Name any famous Indian Feminist.

##### **PART-2 Answer each question in 50 words**

1. Define Marx's Theory of Surplus Value.
2. Write any two points of difference between the dialectics of Marx and Hegel.
3. Write any two points of criticism of Marxian theory of Communism.
4. Explain the different types of liberalism.
5. Write any two political ideas of Green.
6. Explain two schools of idealism.
7. What is the similarity between Anarchism and Communism?
8. Write any two characteristics of Anarchist theory.
9. What was the aim of the first wave of feminism?
10. What is Marxist and radical feminism?

##### **PART-3 long questions**

1. Explain the contribution of Karl Marx in the field of political thought
2. Discuss Marx's explanation of dialectic materialism and class struggle.
3. What is liberalism? Explain its merits and demerits.

4. Critically examine the principles of liberalism.
5. Explain the main features of idealism.
6. Critically evaluate the idealistic theory of the state.
7. Define Anarchism. How it differs from individualism.
8. Write the similarities and dissimilarities between Anarchism and Communism.
9. What is feminism? Describe its three waves and models.
10. Write an essay on Feminism in India. Explain the major challenges faced by the feminist movement in India.