

2017

M.Phil.

1st Semester Examination

POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER — PLS-113

[Methodological Debates in Social Sciences]

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.

Answer all questions.

Group - A

1. Examine the importance of methodological debates in international relations with special reference to the 'second Gheet debate.' 15

Or

Discuss critical theory as part of post-positivist methodology in International Relations.

(Turn Over)

2. Briefly comment on the contributions of Melton Keplan with special reference to systems analysis. 5

Or

State, in brief, the key features of positivist methodology in International Relations.

Group - B

3. Compare the advantages and disadvantages of inductive and deductive methods in Social Sciences. 15

Or

Discuss the major controversies in Social Sciences in the context of core ethical issues.

4. Why controversies are inevitable in Social Science research methods? 5

Or

Write a short note on methodological individualism.

[Internal Assessment : 10 Marks]
