

2008

M.A.

2nd Semester Examination

POLITICAL SCIENCE

[INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (CONTEMPORARY PROBLEMS)]

PAPER—PLS-1204

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.

Group-A

(20 marks)

1. Answer any one of the following : 1×10
 - (a) Examine the changes in the UN system since the end of the Cold War.
 - (b) Comment on the process of European integration since the Maagtricht Treaty.

2. Answer any two of the following : 5×2
 - (a) Briefly discuss the objectives of UNCTAD.
 - (b) Distinguish between SAPTA and SAFTA.
 - (c) Comment on the functioning of ASEAN as a regional organization.

(Turn Over)

Group-B

(20 marks)

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 1×10
- (a) Analyse Russia's foreign policy towards the West under Putin.
 - (b) Discuss the main issues involved in the Arab-Israeli conflicts since the 1990s.
4. Answer any *two* of the following : 5×2
- (a) What was the impact of the Cuban Missile Crisis on Cold War ?
 - (b) What compelled India to sign the Indo-US nuclear deal ?
 - (c) What is the significance of Maitree Express for Indo-Bangladesh relations ?

Internal Assessment : 10
