

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2012

**POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH RURAL
ADMINISTRATION**

(Liberal Political Theories)

COURSE—PLS-303

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their
own words as far as practicable*

GROUP — A

[Marks : 20]

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

(a) Identify the characteristic features of empirical political theory.

(Turn Over)

(b) Trace the background of the emergence of positivism.

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

(a) Write a brief note on the Beveridge Report 1942.

(b) Point out the significance of civil society in classical liberalism.

(c) What is meant by 'laissez-faire' ?

GROUP – B

[Marks : 20]

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

(a) Examine the basic premises of C. B. Macpherson's theory of 'possessive individualism'.

(b) Analyse Robert Nozick's views about the liberal state.

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

(a) What, according to Robert Dahl, is the nature of political power ?

- (b) Discuss, in brief, John Rawls' Second Principle of Justice.
- (c) What is meant by an 'unencumbered self' ?

[*Internal Assessment* = 10 Marks]
