

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2010

**POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH RURAL
ADMINISTRATION**

[Liberal Political Theories]

PAPER—PLS-2303

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) Examine the main postulates of Positivism
in Political Science.

(Turn Over)

(b) Identify the salient features of a welfare state.

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

(a) Indicate the role of fact in theory building.

(b) Identify any two of the salient features of empirical theory.

(c) Distinguish between negative and positive freedom.

GROUP – B

[*Marks : 20*]

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

(a) Examine C.B. Macpherson's concept of 'possessive individualism'.

(b) Analyse Robert Nozick's views of the 'minimal state'.

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

(a) Discuss, in brief, the 'two principles' of Rawls' theory of justice.

(b) What do the communitarians mean by the term 'unencumbered self' ?

(c) Point out any two points of criticism of liberalism made by the Marxists.

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]
