#### 2013

## M.A.

# 2nd Semester Examination

## POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH RURAL ADMINISTRATION

COURSE-PLS-204

(International Relations: Contemporary Problems)

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:

10×1

- (a) Comment on the changing role of the United Nations in the post-cold war years.
- (b) 'SAARC is a comatose organisation'. Comment.
- 2. Answer any two of the following:

 $5 \times 2$ 

(a) Discuss in brief, the importance of Specialised Agencies of the United Nations.

(Turn Over)

- (b) Enumerate the functions of IAEA.
- (c) Briefly comment on the major challenges faced by the European Union today.

## Group-B

(20 marks)

3. Answer any one of the following:

10×1

- (a) Make an assessment of the achievements and failures of India's foreign policy under UPA government.
- (b) Critically examine the major trends of US foreign policy under Barack Obama's presidency.
- 4. Answer any two of the following:

5×2

- (a) Comment on the geo-strategic significance of the Middle East.
- (b) Examine the importance of Monroe Doctrine.
- (c) Briefly describe on the importance of "String of Pearls" strategy.

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