M.A. 4th Semester Examination 2014

POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH RURAL ADMINISTRATION

PAPER - PLS-401

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 hours

Answer all questions

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their

own words as far as practicable

COURSE No. - PLS/401/A(LGP)

(Theories of Local Government)

GROUP-A

[Marks: 20]

- 1. Answer any one of the following: 10×1
 - (a) Make a comparative evaluation of the advantages and disadvantages of decentralization.

(Turn Over)

- (b) Analyse the different approaches to the study of local Government.
- 2. Answer any two of the following: 5×2
 - (a) Distinguish between 'deconcentration' and 'devolution'.
 - (b) What are the major elements of local government?
 - (c) Indicate briefly the place of local government in liberal political theory.

GROUP-B

[Marks: 20]

- 3. Answer any one of the following: 10×1
 - (a) Evaluate J. S. Mill's views on local government.
 - (b) Comment on the 'dual state thesis' of local government.

- 4. Answer any two of the following: 5×2
 - (a) How does Tocqueville justify local government for promoting the spirit of liberty?
 - (b) What is the 'localist view' of local government?
 - (c) Enumerate briefly the major functions of the Mayor in the American cities.

[Internal Assessment: 10 Marks]

COURSE No. – PLS/401/A(SPSA)

[Major Issues in South Asian Politics]

GROUP-A

[Marks: 20]

- 1. Answer any one of the following: 10×1
 - (a) Discuss the difficulties in defining South Asia as a region.

- (b) Examine the nature of Islamic extremism in South Asia.
- **2.** Answer any *two* of the following: 5×2
 - (a) Discuss, in brief, the conventional approach to security.
 - (b) What do you mean by the 'third wave' of democracy?
 - (c) Briefly comment on the role of external players in promoting Islamic extremism in Pakistan.

GROUP-B

[*Marks*: 20]

- 3. Answer any one of the following: 10×1
 - (a) Comment on environmental stress as a source of conflict in South Asia.
 - (b) Examine the refugee scenario in South Asia.

4. Answer any two of the following:

 5×2

- (a) Discuss, in brief, the impact of super power politics upon nuclearisation in South Asia.
- (b) Briefly comment on the perceptions of the West towards Refugees.
- (c) Identify some of the contentious issues in contemporary South Asia.

[Internal Assessment: 10 Marks]