2015

M.A.

1st Semester Examination

POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER-PLS-101

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.

(Western Political Thought)

Group - A

[Marks - 20]

- 1. Answer any one of the following:
- 1×10
- (a) Analyse the meaning, background and significance of enlightenment.
- (b) Attempt a comparative analysis between Hegel and Marx on the the question of relations between State and Civil society.

2. Answer any two of the following:

- 2×5
- (a) 'Counter-enlightenment begins with Rousseau'. Briefly discuss the statement.
- (b) Discuss, in brief, the key features of modernity.
- (c) What do you mean by 'unity is difference'?

Group - B

[Marks - 20]

3. Answer any one of the following:

1×10

- (a) Write a note on the 'second theoretical moment' of the state.
- (b) Analyse the main arguments of Lyotard's, as described in his work *The Post-Modern Condition*.
- 4. Answer any two of the following:

2×5

- (a) Write, in brief, Habermas's argument for 'Communicative Action'.
- (b) What are the main tenets of post-modernism? State briefly.
- (c) What do you mean by 'relative autonomy' of the state?

[Internal Assessment: 10 Marks]