# M.A. 2nd Semester Examination, 2023

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Political Thought: Western and Eastern)

PAPER - PLS-201

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

- 1. Answer any two of the following:  $5 \times 2$ 
  - (a) "Virtue is identical with knowledge." Explain the statement, following Socrates.
  - (b) Discuss, in brief, Plato's views on Communism.

(c) In what sense St. Augustine can be considered as a major exponent of Theological State Theory?

## 2. Answer any one of the following:

 $10 \times 1$ 

- (a) Explain Socrates's Theory of Knowledge.
- (b) Analyse Aristotle's Theory of the State.

#### GROUP-B

3. Answer any two of the following:

 $5 \times 2$ 

- (a) Write a short note on Hegel's notion of the 'Master-Slave' dialectic.
- (b) How did Lenin characterize Imperialism as a stage of 'monopoly capitalism'?
- (c) What are the characteristics of Althusser's notion of 'Ideological State Apparatuses'?

- **4.** Answer any *one* of the following:  $10 \times 1$ 
  - (a) Discuss, after Hegel, the relationship between family, civil society and the state.
  - (b) Explain, following Marx, the different forms of Alienation.

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]