

2025

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Paper : PLS - 303

(Marxist and Radical Theories :

Contemporary Trends)

Full Marks : 50

Time : Two Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Group - A

Answer any *two* questions : 5×2=10

1. What is Marx's notion of praxis?
2. Write a note on Althusser's concept of Ideological State Apparatus (ISA).
3. Briefly discuss the ideological debate between Stalin and Trotsky on the strategy and scope of socialist construction in the post-revolutionary Soviet Union.

Answer any *one* question : 10×1=10

4. Discuss what constituted the historical context and intellectual roots of Marxism.

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5. Write an essay on the fundamental principles and theoretical foundations of Leninism.

Group - B

Answer any *two* questions : $5 \times 2 = 10$

6. How does postcolonialism address the issue of gender?
7. What, according to Foucault, is meant by bio-power?
8. Write a short note on Mao's idea of Cultural Revolution.

Answer any *one* question : $10 \times 1 = 10$

9. Critically assess the legacy of Marxism in the context of third world.
10. Discuss Edward Said's understanding of Orientalism.

Internal Assessment : 10 marks
