2014

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Major)

Paper: 2.1

(Political Theory)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

- **1.** Answer the following as directed: $1 \times 10 = 10$
 - (a) The 'Ruling Elite' is associated with Marx.

(Write True or False)

- (b) Mention one of the methods of 'direct democracy'.
- (c) The Elitist / Pluralist / Marxist theory of democracy is in total opposition to the conception of liberal democracy.

(Choose the correct answer)

(d) Who is the author of the book, *The Ruling Class?*

- (e) Mention one of the objectives of 'Millennium Development Goal'.
- (f) The basis of 'Ideal State' of Plato is justice / liberty / equality.

(Choose the correct answer)

- (g) Mention one feature of 'neocolonialism'.
- (h) Will Kymlicka is associated with multiculturalism.

(Write True or False)

- (i) What are the three indicators of HDI?
- (j) Mention any one method through which direct democracy is practised.
- **2.** Answer the following questions: $2 \times 5 = 10$
 - (a) Mention two principles of Marxian theory of democracy.
 - (b) Write two demerits of multiculturalism.
 - (c) Who developed 'trusteeship system' and why?
 - (d) Give two reasons for the failure of democracy in the third world countries.
 - (e) Mention two demerits of indirect democracy.

- **3.** Write short notes on any *four* of the following: $5\times4=20$
 - (a) Minority rights
 - (b) Gandhian model of development
 - (c) Sustainable development
 - (d) Multiculturalism and social justice
 - (e) Neocolonialism
 - (f) Nature of State in the third world countries
- **4.** Answer the following questions: $10\times4=40$
 - (a) What do you mean by liberal democracy? Discuss the main features of liberal democracy. 3+7=10

Or

What is pluralist theory of democracy? Explain the pluralist theory of democracy. 3+7=10

(b) What do you mean by human development? Discuss the measures to improve human development. 3+7=10

Or

Can the Gandhian model of development be used in real development? Discuss with its merits and demerits.

3+7=10

(c) Discuss the importance of the doctrine of multiculturalism in the present world.

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Or

Explain John Rawls' theory of distributive justice. How is it related to the doctrine of multiculturalism? 7+3=10

(d) What do you mean by the third world?

Discuss the differences between third world democracy and Western liberal democracy.

3+7=10

Or

What is dependency theory? Highlight the views of Andre Gunder Frank in the context of dependency theory. 3+7=10
