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ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, 2018

M.Phil./Ph.D.

COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND POLITICAL THEORY

[Field of Study Code : CPTP (120)]

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note :

1. **Part—I** is compulsory.
2. Answer any *two* from **Part—II**.

PART—I

(Compulsory)

(Marks : 30)

1. Write a review essay based on **two or more texts** (journal articles/books) on any of the following debates :
 - (a) Eurocentricism
 - (b) Theories of development
 - (c) Political ecology
 - (d) Political philosophy over political theory

PART—II

SECTION—A

(Compulsory)

(Marks : 10)

2. Briefly define any *two* of the following research methods :
 - (a) Ethnographic method
 - (b) Statistical method
 - (c) Historical method
 - (d) Reading of texts, written or visual

SECTION—B

(Marks : 60)

Answer any two questions

3. Give a brief account of critical theory's engagement with the universality of modern western political theory.
4. Do you think global policies on social change through industrialization is responsible for climate change? Justify your position with substantive reasons.
5. Discuss the challenges faced by the Indian agriculture sector today. Identify three main areas that, according to you, need State protection the most.
6. Discuss the distinctiveness of secularism in India as different from the normative western theory. The discussion on the difference should include Rajeev Bhargava and Ashis Nandy's contributions to the debate.
7. Do you think there exists a conflict between development policies of the State and tribal social welfare in India? Substantiate your answer with reference to health, education and alternative livelihood as issues in development.
8. Write an essay closely examining any *one* of the following theories :
 - (a) Deendayal Upadhyaya's Antyodaya
 - (b) Gandhi's Gram Swaraj
 - (c) Savarkar's Hindutva
 - (d) Ambedkar's Graded Inequality

SECTION—A

(Compulsory)

(Marks : 10)

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