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M.Phil/Ph.D

POLITICAL STUDIES

[Field of Study Code : POLP (140)]

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer **two** questions from Part—I and **two** questions from Part—II.
Each question carries 25 marks.

PART—I

1. Elaborate the main theoretical differences between the classical realism of Hans Morgenthau and the neo-realism propounded by Kenneth Waltz.
2. What is the role of a researcher in scientific knowledge? Explain with reference to the writings of any *two* of the following :
 - (a) Vienna Circle
 - (b) Karl Popper
 - (c) Imre Lakatos
 - (d) Bruno Latour
3. What are the different approaches for the study of political institutions? What are the critical differences between the institutionalist and neo-institutionalist approaches to the study of the State?
4. Differentiate between the textualist and contextualist reading of a text. What, according to Skinner, are the methodological errors that arise from textualism?

PART—II

5. Discuss the similarities and differences between Gandhi's Ashram and Habermas's public sphere.
6. Backwardness and national unity were the primary concerns that shaped the rights of the minorities. Examine this statement with reference to the Constituent Assembly Debates in India.
7. The change in the nature of the Indian State has been characterized from developmental to interventionist and to the regulatory State. Discuss with some examples.
8. Critically examine Rawls' critique of utilitarianism. Illustrate your answer with suitable examples.

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