

SECOND SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2024

(CBCSS)

Political Science

POL2C06—POLITICAL THEORY: LIBERAL TRADITION

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 30 Weightage

Section A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **four** questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 1. Theory of natural rights.
- 2. Felicific calculus.
- 3. Libertarianism.
- 4. Justice as entitlement.
- 5. Neutral state.
- 6. Good governance.
- 7. Doctrine of expediency.

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weightage})$

Section B (Short Essay Questions)

Answer any **four** questions. Each question carries 3 weightage.

- 8. Examine John Locke's conception of Sovereignty.
- 9. Comment on Edmund Burke's approach to revolution and reform.
- 10. Examine H.J. Laski's views and ideas on liberty.
- 11. Critically examine Rousseau's doctrine of 'General Will'.
- 12. Discuss the impact of Age of Enlightenment on political liberalism.
- 13. Explain communitarianism as a critique of liberalism.
- 14. Examine the relationship between liberalisation and globalisation.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

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Section C (Essay Questions)

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

- 15. Assess the contributions of Machiavelli to modern political theory.
- 16. Critically examine J.S. Mill's views and ideas on liberty.
- 17. State and criticise Hegel's theory of state.
- 18. Discuss the nature and characteristics of Neoliberalism.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ weightage})$