

**63/1 (SEM-5) CC11/PSCHC5116**

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( Held in 2023 )

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Paper : PSCHC5116

( **Classical Political Theory** )

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Choose the correct answer : 1×6=6

(a) Who regarded the state as natural institution?

(i) Locke

(ii) Aristotle

(iii) Hobbes

(iv) Machiavelli

(b) The author of the book, *The Statesman* is

(i) Rousseau

(ii) Socrates

(iii) Plato

(iv) Aristotle

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(c) Who among the following thinkers supported personal property?

- (i) St. Augustine
- (ii) Thomas Hobbes
- (iii) Machiavelli
- (iv) John Locke

(d) Who did not support any kind of rights and freedom of the individual?

- (i) Thomas Hobbes
- (ii) Karl Marx
- (iii) John Locke
- (iv) Plato

(e) Which of the following statements regarding Machiavelli is not true?

- (i) To protect the interest of the state, the ruler should be kind-hearted.
- (ii) The ruler should pay attention in the interest and administration of the state.
- (iii) The king/queen should use techniques if it is not possible to achieve the objectives with force.
- (iv) According to Machiavelli, man is selfish and greedy by nature.

(f) Who is called the Father of Political Science?

- (i) Plato
- (ii) Locke
- (iii) Aristotle
- (iv) Hobbes

2. Answer the following short answer-type questions : 2×5=10

- (a) Write any two classes of people classified by Plato in his book, *Republic*.
- (b) What are the particular causes of Revolution according to Aristotle?
- (c) Why Machiavelli considered that religion should be separated from politics?
- (d) Give a short description on Hobbes' state of nature.
- (e) Match *List-I* with *List-II* :

*List-I*  
(Books)

1. *The Laws*
2. *Two Treatises of Government*
3. *De Cive*
4. *Politics*

*List-II*  
(Authors)

- (i) Aristotle
- (ii) Hobbes
- (iii) Plato
- (iv) John Locke

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3. Write short notes/answer on the following (any six) :  $5 \times 6 = 30$

- (a) Write a note on human nature of Hobbes.
- (b) Explain the features of Platonic ideal state.
- (c) Aristotle's views on citizenship
- (d) Write about Machiavelli's views on human nature depicted in his book, *The Prince*.
- (e) What is text? Explain its approaches.
- (f) Locke on limited government
- (g) Aristotle's criticism on Plato's communism of property
- (h) Characteristics of sovereignty depicted by Hobbes
- (i) Do you consider Locke as individualist? Give reason for your answer.

4. Answer any two of the following questions :

$10 \times 2 = 20$

- (a) Who is Philosopher King? Discuss Plato's views on qualities of Philosopher King.

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(b) State and evaluate the 'Social Contract Theory' of Thomas Hobbes.

(c) Discuss Aristotle's views on property.

5. Answer any one of the following questions : 14

(a) Critically discuss the various qualities of Prince as mentioned by Machiavelli. Why Machiavelli said the 'Republic' was the superior form of government?  $8+6=14$

(b) "The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggle." Critically explain this statement. 14

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