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**B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MAY 2024**

**Fourth Semester**

Political Science (Model I and Model II)

Core Course—POLITICAL THOUGHT

(2013–2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

**Part A**

*Answer all the following questions.  
Answer in **one or two sentences** each.  
Each question carries 1 mark.*

1. Concept of Philosopher King.
2. “Summa Theologica”.
3. Principle of Utility.
4. Village Republic.
5. Communism of wives.
6. Machiavellian method of study.
7. Aquinas’s conception of law.
8. Organic Intellectuals.
9. Aristotle on Best State.
10. Dialectical Materialism.

(10 × 1 = 10)

**Part B (Short Answer Questions)**

*Answer any **eight** questions.  
Each question carries 2 marks.*

11. Describe briefly Plato’s Theory of Education.
12. Explain Saptanga Theory of State.
13. “Aquinas’s Philosophy expresses most maturely the convictions upon which the medieval civilisation was founded.” Comment.
14. Explain the principle of Democratic Centralism.
15. Comment on Bentham’s concept of Felicific Calculus.
16. Examine Machiavelli’s views on Human Nature.
17. Explain John Locke’s Theory of Natural Rights.
18. Sketch briefly Gandhian concept of Satyagraha.
19. Comment on Hobbes’s Individualism.

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20. Assess the contributions of J.S. Mill to Liberalism.
21. Explain Hegel's Theory of State.
22. Examine Aristotle's perspective on slavery.

(8 × 2 = 16)

**Part C (Short Essay Questions)**

*Answer any **six** questions.  
Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. Examine Aristotle's views on the origin and nature of state.
24. Assess the contributions of Bentham as a social reformer.
25. Set forth John Locke's Theory of state.
26. Comment on Machiavellian Political Realism.
27. Explain John Rawls's Theory of Justice.
28. Elucidate Lenin's Theory of Revolution.
29. State and criticise Marxian doctrine of Class Struggle.
30. Explain Plato's concept of Ideal State.
31. State Lenin's Theory of Imperialism.

(6 × 4 = 24)

**Part D (Essay Questions)**

*Answer any **two** questions.  
Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. Discuss Aristotle's Theory of Revolution and its relevance and significance.
33. Critically examine Rousseau's doctrine of General Will.
34. Discuss the spiritual basis of Gandhian politics.
35. Explain Gramsci's Theory of Hegemony.

(2 × 15 = 30)

