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**Ph.D. ENTRANCE EXAMINATION 2023**

**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

**Instructions :**

- 1) Answer **any ten** questions each from Section **A** and Section **B**.
- 2) Each question carries **5** marks.
- 3) No additional Answer sheets will be provided.
- 4) Candidates should clearly indicate the section, Question number in the answer booklet.

**Section – A**

**Research Methodology**

- I. Answer any **ten** questions. Each question carries **5** marks.
  1. Elucidate the features and significance of post-positivist approach in Social Science Research.
  2. What do you mean by Social Survey? Illustrate the procedure involved in a survey.
  3. Bring out the characteristics of a sound research proposal. Explain its style and format.
  4. What is critical research in Social Sciences? How it differs from conventional research.

5. Elucidate the procedure involved in the selection and formulation of a research problem.
6. What do you mean by a Research Design? Explain its components.
7. Give an account of the debate on the question of objectivity between Karl Popper and Thomas Kuhn.
8. Discuss about Probability Sampling and bring out its advantages in research.
9. Set forth the linkage between concepts, variables and hypothesis in Social Science Research.
10. Bring out the significance of Review of Literature in Research.
11. What do you mean by Ethnography? Explain its techniques.
12. Give an account of major referencing styles in social science research.
13. What do you mean by Primary Data? Discuss about the major methods of Primary Data Collection in Social Science Research.
14. Discuss the process of writing a research report. Explain its style and format.
15. What do you mean by Content Analysis? Explain its procedure.

**(10 × 5 = 50 Marks)**

### **Section – B**

#### **Political Science**

- II. Answer any **ten** questions. Each question carries 5 marks.
1. Bring out the contributions of Thomas Hobbes to the development of secular and scientific political theory.
  2. Discuss about the different types of Bureaucracy. Analyze their role in Public Administration.
  3. Give an account of State -Market Debate in Public Administration.

4. Discuss the nature of Indian Secularism. Examine how religious fundamentalism become a threat our secular polity.
5. Examine different perspectives to understand political development. Discuss various models of political development.
6. What is nationalism? What are its major types? Critically examine the nature and challenges of nation state in post-colonial states.
7. Political socialization is instrumental in shaping the political culture of a society. Discuss.
8. Examine why the normative theorists of democracy demands for a substantive dimension over procedural democracy?
9. Discuss the linkage between globalization, democracy and good governance.
10. Bring out the nature of State Sovereignty and liberty of Individuals in the political thought of Hobbes and Locke.
11. Critically evaluate the impact of liberalization policies on social security, and sustainable development in India.
12. Is Gandhi a political theorist? Bring out the global legacy of Gandhi.
13. What do you mean by Civil Society? Bring out the notions of civil society put forward by Hegel and Gramsci.
14. Analyze the working of Caste and Class in the electoral politics of Kerala.
15. Critically examine the status of women in Kerala Model of Development.

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