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[Time: 3 Hours]

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Please check whether you have got the right question paper.

Q.1 Answer in not more than two or three sentences

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- a) What is the indivisibility feature of Sovereignty? Is there a division of Sovereignty in a Federation? Give reason.
- b) Why is a Federation regarded as economically advantageous? Give two reasons.
- c) Name two advices given by Machiavelli to the prudent prince.
- d) Why is laboratory experiment not possible in political science?
- e) Why is the Head of the state in a Parliamentary Government regarded as a Nominal Executive? Name one Republic having a Parliamentary Government.
- f) Name two application of the doctrine of Separation of Powers in the Indian context.
- g) What is the nature of power exercised by the Federative Units in a Federation? What is the name of Federative Units in Switzerland?
- h) Why Plato advocated Communism of Family for the Guardian Class?
- i) Name one chief advocate for women suffrage. When Women were given the right to vote in the USA?
- j) Name two demerits of the method of appointment of judges by election by the legislature

Q.2 Write short notes on any Four

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- a) State & Society – comparative study
- b) Political Homogeneity as a feature of the Parliamentary form of Government
- c) Aristotle's classification of Government
- d) John Austin's perception of the Determinate superior as the Sovereign
- e) Hare plan of Proportional Representation
- f) Sovereignty as soul of the state

Q.3 Answer any two

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- I On February 2017, a jet airways flight travelling to London from Mumbai, lost its contact with the German Air Traffic Control (ATC). This happened while the aircraft was flying over the German air space. It was presumed that the aircraft had been taken over by terrorists. The German air force deployed its aircraft to ensure the safety of the flight and its guests. Communication was safely restarted within a few minutes and the flight subsequently landed at London without incident.
 - a) Identify the constituent element of the state as reflected in the given facts. Name two importance of this element in constituting the State.
 - b) Give a Definition of State.
- II In September 2016, less than four months before leaving his office former US President Barack Obama suffered a unique political blow. The US Congress overturned Obamas veto of a bill that would allow relatives of the victims of the September 11 terrorist attacks to sue the Saudi Government over its alleged support for the terrorists who carried out the attacks. Both the houses of the Congress voted overwhelmingly to override president's Obama's veto of legislation rejecting pleas from the White House to back the president.
 - a) Is the overriding of presidential veto by the congress a violation of the doctrine of Separation of Powers? Give reason.

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b) Name three defects of the doctrine of Separation of Powers.

III In a landmark judgment, the Supreme Court in April 2017 limited the applicability of section 295A of the IPC to deliberate and malicious acts. The judgment reiterates the constitutional protection of freedom of speech and expression, to prevent the rampant misuse of the penal provision. The judgment said that casual observations on religion or religious beliefs without any deliberate or malicious intention to outrage the religious feelings of that class of citizens do not come within the Section.

a) What is the role of the judiciary in relation to the constitution?

b) What is Judge-made Laws?

Q.4 Answer any Four

- a) What are the demerits of the Unitary Government? Write a note on India as a Quasi federal state?
- b) Write a note on Rousseau's perception of General will. What are the basic principles of the Pluralist theory of Sovereignty?
- c) Write a note on the principle of Rule of Law. What are the measures to ensure the independence of the judiciary?
- d) What is the importance of the Government as an essential element of the State? Write a note on the merits of the Presidential Government.
- e) Why is the Federal Constitution essentially written and rigid? Why is a Federal form of Government regarded as a weak Government?
- f) Write a note on the method of Limited Vote and the Cumulative Vote to ensure Minority Representation. What are the defects of Functional Representation?

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NB: 1. All questions are compulsory.

Q1 Answer in not more than **Two** sentences

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- a) What is the primary Scope of Political Science?
- b) Give a definition of the State.
- c) Name two importance of the element of Territory in constituting the State.
- d) Which theory advocated division of Sovereignty? Name any one argument given by the supporters of this theory for division of Sovereignty.
- e) Which political thinker advocated Communism of Family and Communism of Property and why?
- f) What is John Locke's perception of the human nature and human life in the State of Nature?
- g) What is a Quasi Federal State? Name any one Unitary feature of the Indian Constitution.
- h) Name any two features of the General Will as given by Rousseau .
- i) What is Political Homogeneity as a feature of the parliamentary government?
- j) Name any two arguments against Women enfranchisement?

Q2 Write short notes on any **Four**

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- a) State & Society – comparative study
- b) Administration of justice as the main function of the judiciary
- c) Aristotle's classification of government
- d) The system of Plural Voting

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- e) The Method of appointment of the judges by election by people & it's defects
- f) Methods for distribution of powers in a Federation

Q3 Answer any Two

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i) In a move to protect the private data of the consumers, the government has proposed that sharing of any personal details of consumers for commercial purpose by companies will be treated as unfair practice. According to the government sources people will have the right to take such unfair practice to consumer court and the proposed central consumer authority will be empowered to take actions. The government has proposed these strict measures in the consumer protection bill amid increasing reports that e – commerce companies might be selling for commercial gain the personal details of their clients shared with them while doing transactions through e- commerce.

- a) Identify and explain the aspect of sovereignty as reflected in the above facts.
- b) What is the Inalienability feature of sovereignty?

ii) The Supreme Court has referred all Aadhaar cases to a Five – Judge constitutional bench to be formed by the end of November, 2017. The legal basis of Aadhaar as well as the various challenges like the mandatory linking of PAN card with the Aadhaar card, safety of data collected under Aadhaar etc. raised against the Aadhaar will now be reviewed by the SC. The petitioner have termed the Aadhaar Act of 2016 as unconstitutional. The Judicial Review of executive is an essential aspect of the system of Checks and Balances in a constitutional democracy.

- a) What is Judicial Review? Name any two limitations of Judicial Review in India.
- b) What is Rule of Law as given by A.V. Dicey?

iii) The Counties of the United Kingdom are subnational local division of the UK, used for the purpose of administrative, geographical and political demarcations.

- a) What is the status of the local governing units in a Unitary system like UK?
- b) Name any three merits of a Unitary Government.

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Q4 Answer any Four

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- a) Discuss the importance of the Government as a constituent element of the state .Discuss the close relation between the Executive and the Legislature in a Parliamentary Government.
- b) Write a note on the doctrine of Separation of Powers as given by Montesquieu? What are the defects of the doctrine of Separation of Powers?
- c) What are the main features of Legal Sovereignty? Write a note on John Austin's perception of the Determinate Human Superior as the sovereign and the difficulty in locating a determinate Superior.
- d) What is Proportional Representation and it's defects? Discuss the Hare Formula of Proportional Representation.
- e) Discuss the importance of the Independence of the Judiciary? What are the measure to ensure the Independence of the Judiciary?
- f) Discuss the merits and demerits of a Presidential Government.
