



**2022/TDC/ODD/SEM/
POLHCC-502T/191**

TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2022

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Honours)

(5th Semester)

Course No. : POLHCC-502T

(Indian Political Thought—I)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

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

UNIT—I

1. Answer any two of the following questions :

2×2=4

(a) Mention two features of ancient Indian political thought.

(b) Mention two foreign travellers from whose writings we know the tradition of ancient Indian political thought.

(c) Mention two reasons for the rise of Shramanic traditions in ancient India.



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2. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Discuss the distinctive features of ancient Indian political thought. 10
- (b) Explain the differences between Brahmanic and Shramanic tradition of ancient political thought. Did Shramanic tradition emerge to combat the Brahmanic tradition? 8+2=10

UNIT—II

3. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 2×2=4

- (a) What is 'Shanti Parva'? How many sub-Parvas are there in the 'Shanti Parva'?
- (b) What is Rajadharmā?
- (c) Who was Bhisma?

4. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Write a note on the 'Shanti Parva' of Vedavyasa.
- (b) Discuss the political ideas of Vedavyasa as envisaged in his concept of Rajadharmā.

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UNIT—III

5. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 2×2=4

- (a) What is Manu's views regarding the caste system?
- (b) Who wrote the book, *Arthashastra*? What aspect of life did *Arthashastra* deal with?
- (c) Point out two differences between Manu and Kautilya with regard to the code of conduct for human being and for rulers.

6. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Explain Manu's concept of social laws. What are the criticisms levelled against this theory? 6+4=10
- (b) Critically discuss Kautilya's 'Theory of State'.

UNIT—IV

7. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 2×2=4

- (a) Mention two books written by Ziauddin Barani.
- (b) Who was Barani? Did he support universal brotherhood?
- (c) Point out two basic features of political philosophy of Barani.

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8. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

(a) Elucidate the political philosophy of Ziauddin Barani.

(b) Critically discuss Barani's theory of ideal kingship.

UNIT—V

9. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

2×2=4

(a) Who was Abul Fazl?

(b) Where was Kabir born? What was the name given to Kabir's poetic work?

(c) What is monarchy according to Abul Fazl?

10. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

(a) "Kabir laid the spiritual foundation of Hindu and Muslim syncretism in India." Discuss.

(b) Make a comparative study of the philosophy of Abul Fazl and Kabir.

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