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POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Major)

Course : 401

(Comparative Politics)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Choose the correct option of the following : 1×8=8

(a) The American Social Science Research Committee on Comparative Politics was founded in the year 1952/1953/1954.

(b) The book, *New Directions in Comparative Politics* was written by Bernard E. Brown/Karl Deutsch/Samuel E. Finer.

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- (c) Article 1 of the American Constitution deals with the President/Congress/Supreme Court of the USA.
- (d) The Central Military Commission was established in China by the Constitution of 1975/1978/1982.
- (e) Lord Chancellor of the British House of Lords is appointed by the Queen/Prime Minister/Speaker.
- (f) The Thirteenth/Fourteenth/Fifteenth Amendment of the USA Constitution abolished slavery in the USA.
- (g) Switzerland is a confederation with 21/22/23 full Cantons.
- (h) In China the power to grant pardon is given to the President/Prime Minister (Premier)/Standing Committee.
2. Write on the following (within 150 words each) : $4 \times 4 = 16$
- (a) Rule of Law (UK)
- (b) Democratic Centralism (China)
- (c) Impeachment method of the US President
- (d) Plural Executive of Switzerland

Answer the following questions (within 500 words each) :

3. What is comparative politics? Discuss the nature and scope of comparative politics. $4+8=12$

Or

Make a comparative study of the federal systems of the USA and Switzerland. 12

4. Examine the role of State Council in the politics of People's Republic of China. 11

Or

Describe the composition and functions of the Federal Council of Switzerland and explain how it forms 'a class by itself'.

5. Compare the powers and position of National People's Congress of China with that of the Congress of the USA. 11

Or

"The British Parliament can do anything and everything except making a man into a woman and a woman into a man." (De Lolme)
Explain the powers and position of the British Parliament in the light of the above statement.

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6. What is judicial review? Evaluate the working of judicial review in the political system of America. 4+7=11

Or

Discuss the role of the Supreme People's Court in the judicial system of China. 11

7. Discuss the composition, powers and functions of the Communist Party of China. 11

Or

What are the differences between political party and pressure groups? Describe the role of pressure groups in the political system of America. 4+7=11

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