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(May)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Major)

Course : 401

(Comparative Politics)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32/24

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 definition, Comparative Government is "the study of States and their governmental institutions and processes on a comparative basis", was given by Jean Blondel/G. K. Roberts/Edward Freeman.

(2)

- (b) The book, *Governments of Continental Europe* was edited by James T. Shotwell/Frederic Ogg/F. M. Marx.
- (c) The Bill of Rights (1689) in England affirmed the supremacy of the British King/British Parliament/British Judiciary.
- (d) The President of the United States may make treaties which need to be ratified by one-third/two-third/three-third of the Senate.
- (e) The new Constitution of Switzerland came into force in the year 1999/2000/2001.
- (f) In China, the President of the Supreme People's Court is elected by the people of China/the National People's Congress/the President of China.
- (g) The term of the House of Representatives of the Swiss Federal Parliament is 4/5/6 years.
- (h) Spoil system prevails in UK/USA/China.
2. Write on the following (within 150 words each) : 4×4=16
- (a) Principle of Checks and Balances
- (b) Direct Democracy of Switzerland

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(3)

- (c) Judicial Review (USA)
- (d) Cabinet Dictatorship (UK)

Answer the following questions (within 500 words each) :

3. What is comparative politics? Discuss the differences between comparative government and comparative politics. 4+8=12

Or

Evaluate the Marxist approach to the study of comparative politics. 12

4. Discuss the powers and functions of the President of China and explain his real position in the Chinese political system. 7+4=11

Or

Compare the powers and positions of the President of the USA with the British Prime Minister. 11

5. Compare and contrast the powers and functions of the House of Commons with the House of Representatives. 11

Or

Discuss the composition, powers and functions of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of China. 11

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6. Make a comparative study of the federal judiciary in the political system of the USA with that of Switzerland.

Or

Discuss the features of the judiciary of the United Kingdom and compare it with the Chinese judicial system.

7. Discuss the salient features of the Swiss party system and compare it with the party system of the USA.

5+6=1

Or

What is a pressure group? Describe the working of the pressure groups in the USA.

4+7=1

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