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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. Answer/Choose the correct option of the following :

1×8=8

(a) The book, *Major Modern Political System* was written by Morris Jone/H. Finer/Blondel.

(b) The Labour Party in England was formed in the year 1706/1806/1906.

(c) The Sessions of the NPC in China are convened by the President of China/Prime Minister of China/Standing Committee of China.

(d) In Switzerland, the interpretation of the Constitution can be made by the Federal Executive/Federal Parliament/Federal Judiciary.

(e) The Cabinet of the USA at present consists of the heads of 20/12/24 Departments of the US Government.

(f) According to the Swiss Constitution, the judges of the Federal Court are elected by the Federal Parliament for a period of 5/6/8 years.

(g) In China, power to declare war is given to the President/State Council/National Peoples Congress.

(h) Mention the new name of National Council of Switzerland.

2. Write on the following (within 150 words each) : $4 \times 4 = 16$

(a) Sovereignty of Parliament (UK)

(b) Pressure Groups (USA)

(c) Federal Council (Switzerland)

(d) Features of Chinese Judicial System

Answer the following questions :

3. Define comparative politics. Discuss the evolution of the study of comparative politics. $4+8=12$

Or

Critically discuss the traditional approach to the study of comparative politics. 12

4. British cabinet is "a body which wields such powers as these may fairly be described as omnipotent". (Ramsay Mair)

Based on this statement, discuss the factors responsible for the enhancement of power of the British Cabinet. 11

Or

Discuss the role of the US President in the political system of the USA and compare it with that of the British Monarch. $6+5=11$

5. Make a comparative study of the formation, power and function of the upper house of the USA Congress with those of the upper house of the Swiss Federal Assembly. 11

Or

Discuss the law-making procedure of the UK Parliament. 11

6. What is Judicial Review? Discuss the working of Judicial Review in the USA. $4+7=11$

Or

Discuss the basic features of Swiss Judicial System and compare it with that of the UK. $5+6=11$

7. Discuss the role of Communist Party in the Chinese political system. 11

Or

Compare and contrast the party system of the UK and the USA. 11
