

## **POLITICAL SCIENCE**

### **SCHEME OF EXAMINATION:-**

The Examination in **Political Science** offered as a subject for the General Degree Examination in Arts shall consist of three papers of three hours each, as follows:

- Political Science I (PSG 1) : Political and Social Theory
- Political Science II (PSG 2) : Government of Sri Lanka.
- Political Science III (PSG 3) : Public Administration.

### **POLITICAL SCIENCE I (PSG 1) : POLITICAL AND SOCIAL THEORY**

1. A broad survey of main currents in political thought.
  - (i) Ancient Indian: Kautilya, Buddhist theory of the origin of the State.
  - (ii) Greek - Plato and Aristotle
  - (iii) Roman - Cicero
  - (iv) Mediaeval - St. Augustine and St. Thomas Aquinas

## 2. Theories of the modern State.

Divine right theory - Machiavelli  
Social contract theories, Idealist theory  
Marxist theory and sociological theory  
Sovereignty and the nature of law.

## 3. Liberalism, Capitalism and Democracy.

## 4. Socialism.

- Pre-Marxist-Utopian socialists.
- Marxist - Marxism and its developments - Lenin and Mao tse-Tung.
- Anarchism, Syndicalism, Guild Socialism, Revisionism, (Bernstein) and Modern revisionism, Fabianism.

## 5. Fascism.

## 6. Some Significant political and social concepts - Liberty, equality, property, right and duties.

## 7. Nationalism and the international order.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE II (PSG 2) : GOVERNMENT OF SRI LANKA

The evolution of the Ceylonese political system from the beginning of the British period up to the present time.

- The Republican Constitution of Sri Lanka - Its background major features and its working.  
The growth of the nationalist movement, Constitutional development.
- The electoral system and the franchise
- Political parties, Pressure Groups and Communal Organizations.
- Mass media and the political process. Social, economic and religious problems and their impact on the political process.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE III (PSG 3) : PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

## 1. What is Public Administration? Discussion of various approaches and definitions. The political, social and constitutional background of public administration.

## 2. A study of the Central Administration and the methods of decentralised administration adopted in Britain, France, Sri Lanka and India.

This study should include the organization of central departments and the allocation of functions, forms of decentralisation (with special reference to the French Prefectoral model, Panchayati Raj of India and the Kachcheri system in Sri Lanka)- the structure and organization of different systems of local government, and the public services (including the findings of the Fulton Committee in Britain)

## 3. Development Administration - concepts and issues with special reference to the problems of developing countries.

## RECOMMENDED READING:

### GOVERNMENT OF SRI LANKA

- JEFFRIES — *Ceylon-The Path to Independence*
- SIR IVOR JENNINGS — *The Constitution of Ceylon*
- G. C. MENDIS — *Ceylon under the British*
- LENNOX A. MILLS — *Ceylon Under British Rule. 1795-1932*
- S. NAMASIVAYAM — *The Legislatures of Ceylon, 1928-1948*
- M. HENRY OLIVER (JR.) — *Economic Opinion and Policy in Ceylon*
- I. D. S. WEERAWARDENA — *Government and Politics in Ceylon (1931-1946)*
- I. D. S. WEERAWARDENA — *The Senate of Ceylon at Work*
- I. D. S. WEERAWARDENA — *Ceylon General Election, 1956*
- HOWARD W. WRIGGINS — *Ceylon's Dilemmas of a New Nation*



## ARTICALES AND PERIODICALS

SIR IVOR JENNINGS

- Additional Notes on the General Elections, *Ceylon Historical Journal*, II Nos. 3 and 4 (January and April 1953), 193-208

SIR IVOR JENNINGS

- "Nationalism and Political Development in Ceylon" *Ceylon Historical Journal*, III, Nos. 1-4 (July-October 1953): 62-84, 99-114, 197-206.

SIR IVOR JENNINGS

- "The Ceylon General Elections of 1947", *University of Ceylon Review*, VI No. 3 (July 1948), 133-195

I. D. S. WEERAWARDANA

- "General Elections in Ceylon 1962" *The Ceylon Historical Journal*, II, Nos. 1 and 2 (July-October 1952), 111-178.

A. J. WILSON

- "The Crewe-McMallum Reforms", (1912-1921). *The India Journal of Historical and Social Studies* Vol. I No. 1 January 1958.

A. J. WILSON

- "The Cabinet System in Ceylon, 1947-1960". *The Indian Year Book of International Affairs*, 1959.

A. J. WILSON

- "The Finance Committee under the Manning Constitution of 1924" *University of Ceylon Review*, Vol. 18, Nos. 3 and 4, (July - October 1960).

A. J. WILSON

- "Public Administration of Ceylon, 1976 - 1961" *Public Administration in South and South-East Asia*, ed. S. S. Hsueh 1962, The International Institute of Administrative Science, Brussels.

## PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

L. D. WHITE

- *Introduction to Public Administration.*

E. N. GLADDEN

- *The essentials of Public Administration*

W. J. M. MACKENZIE

- *Central Administration in Britain*

AND J. W. GROVE

F. F. RIDLEY AND

J. BLONDEL

- *Public Administration in France*

H. MADDICK

- *Democracy, Decentralisation and Development*

H. MADDICK

- *Panchayati Raj*

B. CHAPMAN

- *The Profession of Government*

B. CHAPMAN

- *Introduction to French Local Government*

R. BRAIBANTI (ed)

- *Asian Bureaucratic Systems*

A. H. HANSON AND

- *Governing Britain*

M. WALLAS

- *Report of the Fulton Committee on the Civil Service* Cmd. 3638 (1968)

H. R. G. GREAVES

- *The Civil Service in the Changing State*

A. H. HANSON AND

AND J. DOUGLAS

- *Indian democracy*

J. A. L. COORAY

- *Constitutional and Administration law*

V. KANESLINGAM

- *100 years of Local Government in Ceylon*

WISWA WARNAPALA W. A.

- *Civil Service Administration in Ceylon Community* No. 3, 1963:

A. J. WILSON

- *The Public Service in Ceylon Journal of Administration Overseas* Jan. 1976.

G. R. T. LEITAN

- *The Role of the Government Agent in Sri Lanka*