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දේශපාලන විද්‍යාව/Political Science (PSG: I)
Political and Social Theory

All questions carry equal marks.
The total number of questions in this paper is 10.
Answer any **FIVE** questions.
Marks will be deducted for illegible handwriting.
Time allowed: Three (03) Hours.

01. "Aristotle's classification of government is based on the number of persons who hold the ruling power and the quality of their rule". Discuss.
02. "The social contract presented by Rousseau is completely different from that of Locke". Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
03. Critically examine the views of John Austin on Sovereignty.
04. "Liberty without equality or equality without liberty is meaningless". Critically examine this statement.
05.
 - a) What do you mean by liberalism?
 - b) Identify the differences between classical and modern liberalism.
06. Write a critical essay on the theory of surplus value and class struggle, presented by Karl Marx.
07. "Fascism is a reaction against Individualism, Liberalism and Democracy" Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
08. Montesquieu stated that "concentration of power in one person or in an organization would be resulted in despotism and it negates individual liberty". How far this is true with modern states?

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09. Briefly explain the following theories related to human rights:

- i) Historical theory.
- ii) Legal theory.
- iii) Natural theory and
- iv) Idealist theory.

10. Write short notes on **any two** of the following:

- i) Guild Socialism.
- ii) Dialectical materialism of Karl Marx.
- iii) Plato's Republic.
- iv) Kautilya's Arthashastra
- v) Equality and Equity.



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දේශපාලන විද්‍යාව/Political Science (PSG: II)
Government of Sri Lanka

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The total number of questions in this paper is 10
Answer any **FIVE** questions.
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Time allowed: Three (03) Hours

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- (01) "The Nationalist Movement in Sri Lanka was essentially a middle class movement".
Do you agree with the above statement? Give reasons for your answer.
- (02) Examine the impact of **any one** of the following:
- Colebrooke – Cameron Reforms
 - The grant of universal adult franchise in 1931.
- (03) Examine the effectiveness of the minority safeguards in the Soulbury Constitution.
- (04) Compare and contrast the constitutional status of the following institutions in the Soulbury Constitution with their counterparts in the constitution of 1972.
- The Nominal Executive
 - Legislature
- (05) Examine the factors which have impeded the growth of effective opposition in Sri Lanka.
- (06) Compare and contrast the provisions of fundamental rights in 1972 and 1978 Constitution.

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- (07) Discuss the major weaknesses of the System of Representation introduced by the 1978 constitution.
- (08) Critically examine the position, powers and functions of the President of Sri Lanka after the 19th amendment to the Second Republican Constitution of 1978.
- (09) Do you agree with the view that the establishment of the Second Republican Constitution of 1978 marks a definite departure from the Westminster model of Parliamentary Government in Sri Lanka?
- (10) Write short notes on **any two** of the following:
- i) Presidential Election in 2015
 - ii) Governor – General under the Soulbury Constitution of 1948
 - iii) Working of the executive committee system under the Donoughmore Constitution
 - iv) Independence of Judiciary in Sri Lanka



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Public Administration

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Answer any **FIVE** questions.
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Time allowed: Three (03) Hours

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01. Define Public Administration and distinguish between Public administration and private administration
 02. "The Public administration can be survived only in the political environment" Discuss.
 03. Write a short essay on any one of the following:
 - a. Sociological Approach to study of Public Administration
 - b. Arts and Science of Public Administration
 - c. Advantages and disadvantages of the principle of span of control.
 04. Critically evaluate the contribution made by Elton Mayo to the Theory of Organization.
 05. Describe the main characteristics of Max Weber's theory of "Ideal type of bureaucracy," and examine its practicability in modern administrative context.
 06. "Decentralized administration is the most appropriate mechanism in reaching the goal of development in Sri Lanka". Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
 07. Explain the main features of the American civil service.
 08. The main objective of the North Cote Trevelyan Commission of 1854 was to reform the British Civil Service which had been matched with the feudal system to meet the needs of Capitalism. Examine.

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09. Write a critical essay on merits and demerits the Provincial Council system in Sri Lanka.
10. Write short notes on any two of the following:
- a. Conceil d' Etate in French Civil Service.
 - b. Divisional Council System in Sri Lanka
 - c. 19th Amendment to the 1978 constitution and the Independent Commissions
 - d. Panchayat Samiti and participatory development in India.