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**B.A DEGREE (CBCS) EXAMINATION, MAY 2019**

**Fourth Semester**

**Core Course - PS4CRT06 - POLITICAL THOUGHT: WESTERN TRADITIONS**

(Common for B.A Political Science Model I, B.A Political Science Model II Mass Communication and Journalism)

2017 Admission onwards

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**Maximum Marks: 80**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Part A**

Answer any **ten** questions.

Each question carries **2** marks.

1. Define the term 'hermeneutics'.
2. Define the concept 'Virtue' in the philosophy of Socrates.
3. Describe the meaning of communism of property and family in Plato's philosophy.
4. Critically analyse Machiavelli's views on human nature.
5. Explain the concept 'absolute sovereignty' of Thomas Hobbes.
6. Examine Rousseau's views on emergence of inequalities.
7. Identify the sources of pleasure in the philosophy of Bentham.
8. Describe 'morals' in Bentham's philosophy.
9. Probe the Green's views on political obligations.
10. Describe briefly about Marxism.
11. Make a note on Das Capital.
12. Describe Neo- Marxism.

(10×2=20)

**Part B**

Answer any **six** questions.

Each question carries **5** marks.

13. Discuss briefly on approaches and methods to the study of Political Thought.
14. Validate Aristotle's contributions in revering him as ' the Father of Political Science'.
15. Examine the causes of revolution as described by Aristotle and the methods suggested to prevent revolutions.
16. Distinguish between 'Virtue' and 'Fortuna', the ideals of Machiavelli





17. Identify the features of limited government.
18. Defend J S Mill's perspectives on Individualism.
19. Critically examine Hegel's theories of civil society and state.
20. List out the major contributions of Frederic Engels.
21. Create a note on Gramsci's contributions of political thought.

(6×5=30)

### **Part C**

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries **15** marks.

22. Plato's Republic is not a work on politics but the finest treatise on education that has ever been written" (Rousseau).Discuss.
23. Compare the Social Contract theories as envisaged by Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau.
24. Discuss on the political ideas of J.S. Mill.
25. 'Imperialism is the highest stage of capitalism" Discuss on the views of Lenin .

(2×15=30)

