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( Nov/Dec )

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

( Core )

Paper : C-12

**( Indian Political Thought—I )**

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions.*

1. Answer the following as directed : 1×8=8

(a) "Kautilya was more Machiavellian than Machiavelli." Who said this?

(b) What is Varna?

(c) In addition to the four major classes or Varnas, the fifth is called untouchables / saints / ascetics / harijans.

( Choose the correct option )

(d) What is Shariat?

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(e) William Jones translated *Manusmriti* to English in 1794.

( Write True or False )

(f) Which of the following is not correct about Kabir?

(i) He was known for his Dohas or Couplets

(ii) He was the disciple of Ramananda

(iii) He considered taxation as a means of exploitation

(iv) None of the above

( Choose the correct option )

(g) *Agganna Sutta* is the 27th Sutta of *Digha Nikaya*.

( Write True or False )

(h) Who considered Dandaniti as the Dharmaniti of the king?

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

(a) Divine origin of king

(b) Kabir as a social reformer

(c) Importance of Dandaniti by Manu

(d) Fazl's idea of monarchy

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3. Discuss the emergence of Islamic traditions in India and development of Hindu-Muslim syncretism. 12

Or

Analyze the emergence of the Brahmanic traditions and their basic tenets in ancient India.

4. What is Rajadharma? Analyze the relationship between State and Kinship with special reference to the duties of the king. 11

Or

Discuss the seven elements of Statecraft as explained by Kautilya in his Saptanga theory.

5. Analyze the Dharma or duties of the four classes discussed by Manu in the first chapter of *Manusmriti*. 11

Or

Critically analyze Manu's concept and origin of social law and his prescribed rules of action in times of adversity.

6. Explain the concept and principles of State and Ideal State. What are the major differences and similarities between these two ideas? 11

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( Turn Over )

Or

Discuss the notion of sovereignty as mentioned in the *Agganna Sutta* with reference to the origin of kingship in Buddhist political thought.

7. How does Kabir's philosophy reflect the idea of syncretism by connecting traditions of different religions? 11

Or

Critically examine Barani's concept of ideal polity in context of the governance of medieval India.

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