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(3rd Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

THIRD PAPER

(Major Political Systems)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(*Marks : 50*)

The questions are of equal value

1. Describe the main features of the British Constitution.

Or

“The Office of the Prime Minister is what its holder chooses to make it.” (*Asquith*).

Discuss the major powers and functions of the British Prime Minister in the light of the above statement.

2. Briefly examine the federal nature of the US Constitution.

Or

The President of the United States of America is “a King for four years who governs as well as reigns.” (*Bryce*). Elucidate.

3. Discuss the working of direct democracy in Switzerland.

Or

Describe the salient features of the Constitution of Switzerland.

4. Examine the salient features of the Chinese Constitution of 1982.

Or

Discuss the composition and powers of the National People’s Conference of China.

5. Give a brief description of the main characteristics of the British Party System.

Or

Briefly highlight the main features of the party system of Switzerland.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. The Booklet No. of this script should be quoted in the answer script meant for descriptive type questions and vice versa.
- 2. This paper should be ANSWERED FIRST and submitted within 1 (one) Hour of the commencement of the Examination.
- 3. While answering the questions of this booklet, any cutting, erasing, overwriting or furnishing more than one answer is prohibited. Any rough work, if required, should be done only on the main Answer Book. Instructions given in each question should be followed for answering that question only.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. In judicial matters, the King is considered as the fountain of justice in

(a) Switzerland ()

(b) Britain ()

(c) China ()

(d) United States of America ()

(2)

2. The real executive of the British Parliamentary Government is

- (a) the House of Lords ()
- (b) the Lord President of the Privy Council ()
- (c) the King or Queen of England ()
- (d) the Cabinet ()

3. The members of the House of Representatives in the US Congress are directly elected by the people for a term of

- (a) 4 years ()
- (b) 5 years ()
- (c) 2 years ()
- (d) 3 years ()

4. The highest court of appeals in USA is

- (a) the House of Representatives ()
- (b) the Circuit Court of Appeals ()
- (c) the Supreme Court ()
- (d) the Court of Military Appeals ()

(3)

5. The Federal Council of Switzerland elects a President from amongst themselves for a term of

(a) 1 year ()

(b) 2 years ()

(c) 5 years ()

(d) 4 years ()

6. The Lower House of the Swiss Federal Parliament which represents the people of Switzerland is called

(a) the Federal Council ()

(b) the Federal Court ()

(c) the Senate ()

(d) the House of Representatives ()

7. Switzerland is a federation consisting of

(a) 18 cantons and 6 half-cantons ()

(b) 21 cantons and 6 half-cantons ()

(c) 20 cantons and 6 half-cantons ()

(d) 17 cantons and 6 half-cantons ()

(4)

- 8.** The President of China is elected by
- (a) the Politburo ()
 - (b) the Standing Committee ()
 - (c) the Central Committee ()
 - (d) the National People's Congress ()
- 9.** The highest organ of the State administration in China is
- (a) the State Council ()
 - (b) the National People's Congress ()
 - (c) the Central Military Commission ()
 - (d) the Communist Party of China ()
- 10.** Barack H. Obama, the President of the USA, belongs to
- (a) the Republican Party ()
 - (b) the Democratic Party ()
 - (c) the Socialist Party ()
 - (d) the People's Party ()

(5)

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following questions in about 6 sentences each :

3×5=15

1. Explain the term 'conventions' of the Constitution of Great Britain.

(6)

2. Briefly explain the 'judicial review' of the US political system.

(7)

3. Write a note on the Office of the Chancellor of the Swiss Federal Council.

(8)

4. How is the premier of the People's Republic of China elected?

(9)

5. Write a note on the 'cell' or 'primary party's organization' of the Communist Party of China.
