2016

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Major)

Paper : 6.5

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

OPTION-C

(URBAN LOCAL GOVERNANCE)

 Discuss the evolution of Urban Local Governance during the Colonial Period in India.

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Or

Discuss the characteristics and significance of the 74th Constitution Amendment Act. 10

2. Discuss the composition, powers and functions of Municipal Council according to the 74th Constitution Amendment Act.

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Or

Discuss the functions of Municipal Corporation and examine its committee system.

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3. Critically examine the control of the State
Government on Urban Local Governance. 10

Or

Discuss the objectives and functions of Metropolitan Planning Committee. 10

- **4.** Write short notes on any three of the following: 5×3=15
 - (a) National Commission on Urbanization, 1985
 - (b) Composition of Guwahati Municipal Corporation
 - (c) Assam Finance Commission
 - (d) Composition of District Planning Committee
 - (e) Sources of Income of Nagar Panchayat

5. Answer the following questions briefly: 2×4=8

- (a) State four subjects mentioned in the 12th Schedule of the Indian Constitution.
- (b) Name two standing committees of Guwahati Municipal Corporation.
- (c) State two functions of State Election Commission.
- (d) Mention four types of Grant-in-aid.

6. Answer the following as directed: $1 \times 7 = 7$

- (a) Election system in Local Governance was first started in 1873 by
 - (i) Lord Ripon
 - (ii) Lord Bentinck
 - (iii) Lord Mayo
 - (iv) Mahatma Gandhi
 (Choose the correct option)
- (b) Local Finance Enquiry Committee was formed in
 - (i) 1949-51
 - (ii) 1952-55
 - (iii) 1947
 - (iv) 1963

(Choose the correct option)

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- (c) Who is the Chief Executive Officer of a Municipal Corporation?
- (d) How many subjects are included in the 12th Schedule of the Indian Constitution?
- (e) Which of the following pairs is not correctly matched?
 - (i) Municipal Corporation—City
 - (ii) District Planning Committee—243 (ZD)
 - (iii) Nagar Panchayat-Village
 - (iv) Assam Municipal Act—1971
 (Choose the correct option)
- (f) The MLAs and MPs are the _____ members of a Metropolitan Planning Committee.

(Fill in the blank)

- (g) Executive Control on Local Governance means
 - (i) Government's Control on Local Governance
 - (ii) Cabinet's Control on Local Governance
 - (iii) Chief Minister's Control on Local Governance

(Choose the correct option)

OPTION-D

(POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY—II)

- 1. Answer any three of the following questions: 10×3=30
 - (a) Discuss the contributions of C. Wright Mills towards the development of political sociology with reference to his Elite theory.

(b) "Who says organization, says oligarchy."

Discuss the Elite theory of Robert

Michels in the light of this statement. 10

- (c) What is revolution? Discuss the cultural, economic and political causes of revolution. 3+7=10
- (d) Define political development. Discuss the relationship of political development and political modernization by examining the major problems of modernization. 3+7=10
- (e) Define bureaucracy. Explain the defects of modern bureaucracy. 3+7=10
- (f) What do you understand by political change? Explain the Liberal and Marxist interpretations of political change. 3+7=10

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2. Answer any three of the following questions:

5×3=15

- (a) Discuss the Elitist theory of distribution of political power in society with special reference to the psychological approach to political elite as developed by Vilfredo Pareto.
- (b) Critically examine Lucian Pye's theory of 'political development'.
- (c) Discuss the role of political party and the pressure groups in bringing about political changes in society.
- (d) Write, in brief, the differences between Elitism and Marxism.
- (e) Discuss the features of bureaucracy.

3. Answer the following questions briefly: $2\times5=10$

- (a) Write, in brief, the link between Democracy and Elitism.
- (b) Write the contribution of Mosca in the distribution of power in society.
- (c) Discuss the interrelationship between bureaucracy and politics.
- (d) Write two major foundations of political culture.
- (e) Write a note on direct military intervention in the political process.

4. Answer the following questions very briefly:

 $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) Who is the author of the book, The Ruling Class?
- (b) "Revolutions are the festivals of the oppressed and the exploited." Who said this?
- (c) Who is the author of the book, Representative Government?
- (d) "Bureaucracy is the price of parliamentary democracy." Who said this?
- (e) "The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggle." Who is the propagator of this significant statement?

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