#### STUDENT ASSIGNMENTS

# M.A Political Science (Distance Mode)

(First Semester)

(Academic Session 2020-21)

#### INSTRUCTIONS

# The students are required to read carefully and follow the instructions given bellow;

- Submission of one complete Assignment in each course of the programme every year is compulsory.
- Completed Assignments on A4 sheet papers / Assignment booklets are to be submitted by hand/post to the Assistant Professor Political Science, CDOE, JMI
- The last date of Submission of the Soft copy of the Assignment is 15 April 2020.
- Write your name, roll number, enrolment number and other details as required on the cover page of Assignment Booklet.
- For your record you may keep a photocopy of your Assignments.
- Please go through your Programme Guide carefully for further details.

#### (First Semester)

**Course Title: Political Theory** 

**Course Code: DMPS-101** 

Session: 2020-21 Max. Marks: 25

- (1) What is political theory? Describe the nature of contemporary political theory.
- (2) Define equality and explain the relation of equality with liberty and justice.
- (3) What do you mean by rights? Briefly describe Harold Laski's theory of rights.
- (4) What do you understand by liberalism? Discuss in detail the basic elements of classical liberalism.
- (5) What is participatory democracy? Describe merits and demerits of participatory democracy.

#### (First Semester)

Course Title: Western Political Thought - I

Course Code: DMPS-102

Session: 2020-21 Max. Marks: 25

- (1) What do you understand by Political Theory? Differentiate between Political Theory and Political Thought.
- (2) Critically examine Plato's concept of Justice.
- (3) What according to J.S. Mill are the main components of Representative Government
- (4) Critically examine the Social Contract Theory of John Locke.
- (5) Write sort notes on **any two** of the following:
  - a) State of nature
  - b) Doctrine of aggrandizement
  - c) Negative liberty

#### (First Semester)

**Course Title: Comparative Politics** 

Course Code: DMPS-103

Session: 2020-21 Max. Marks: 25

- (1) Explain the evolutional theory of the origin of state.
- (2) What is the role of political parties in democratic polity?
- (3) Critically examine the nation and state in the contemporary political scenario.
- (4) Discuss in detail the Structural Functional Approach as propounded by Gabriel Almond.
- (5) Write sort notes on **any two** of the following:
  - d) Interest Groups
  - e) Political culture
  - f) Revolution

#### (First Semester)

Course Title: International Politics: Concepts And Theories

Course Code: DMPS-104

Session: 2020-21 Max. Marks: 25

#### NOTE: Attempt any two questions. All question carry equal marks.

(1) Critically analyse the realist approach to the study of International politics.

- (2) Write an essay on the different theories of regional integration.
- (3) Elucidate the theoretical aspects of Balance of Power.
- (4) What is Non Alignment Movement? Describe its origin and relevance in the present context.
- (5) Write sort notes on any two of the following:
  - a) Collective security
  - b) National Interest
  - c) Power vacuum

#### (First Semester)

Course Title: Foreign Policies of Major Powers

**Course Code: DMPSX-105** 

Session: 2020-21 Max. Marks: 25

- (1) Define the term Foreign Policy. What are the primary and secondary objectives of foreign policy
- (2) What are the major determinants of Foreign Policy? Elucidate with examples.
- (3) Discuss in detail the continuity and change in US foreign policy after World War II.
- (4) Write a short note on ASEAN and examine its relationship with China.
- (5) Write sort notes on **any two** of the following:
- d) NATO
- e) Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's)
- f) Impact of terrorism on the foreign policy of states.