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ASSIGNMENTS

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SUBMISSION DATES FOR ASSIGNMENTS

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INSTRUCTIONS

Dear Learner,

Welcome to the Master of Arts programme in Political Science offered by Odisha State Open University, Sambalpur.

You are required to submit two numbers of assignment per course within the stipulated time in order to become eligible to appear in the term-end examination. The assignments will be evaluated by the counselors at your Study Centre. Please submit your assignments response to Coordinator of the Study Centre. Before you attempt the assignments, please go through the course materials carefully. Please read the instructions pertaining to an assignment before your start writing your answer. Do not copy from the course material or from any other source. You are advised to read the material carefully, understand the same and write answers in your own language and style so that you will get good marks/grades.

Purpose of Assignments:

- 1. Assignments are part of the continuous evaluation process in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) system. Due weightage is given to the marks/grades you obtain in assignments. This will help you for better performance in the term-end examination. If you secure good grades/marks in assignments, your overall performance will improve.*
- 2. Assignments are also a part of the teaching-learning process in ODL. Your assignment, after evaluation, will be returned back to you with specific and general comments by the evaluator. This will help you to know your strength as well as your weakness. Thus, it will establish a two-way communication between learner and evaluator.*

How to write assignments:

- 1. Write your name, programme code, course title, enrolment no. and study centre code in the top sheet of the assignment answer booklet.*
- 2. Write the answers in your handwriting. Give sufficient margin in the left side of each page so that the evaluator will give comments on each paragraph/page. Do not cross the word limit given in each question.*
- 3. Your handwriting should be neat and readable.*

Weightage for assignments:

- 1. Assignment carry 25% weightage and term-end examination carry 75% weightage.*
- 2. Each assignment will be of 100 marks.*
- 3. You have to score minimum pass mark i.e. 40% in each assignment. In case you do not submit assignment or get fail mark in assignment you have to re-submit in the next year.*

Assignment - I

MPS-03: India: Democracy & Development

Full Marks: 100

Group-A (1X10 = 10 Marks)

1. Answer all the questions, each within one or two sentences.

- a) In which year the Indian National Congress was formed?
- b) Mention any two elements of Gandhi's 'substance of Swaraj'?
- c) What do we understand by 'Democracy' in Political Theory?
- d) What does the notion of Social- inequality indicate?
- e) Name any two Parliamentary Committees of India?
- f) What is meant by the Appellate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court?
- g) How does media help in framing public policies?
- h) How do you distinguish between 'sex' and 'gender'?
- i) What do you understand by sustainable development?
- j) What is meant by 'Religious politics'?

Group-B (5X4 = 20 Marks)

2. Write short notes on any four, each in 50 words.

- a) Karachi Resolution of the Congress.
- b) Objective Resolution of the Constituent Assembly
- c) Keshavanand Bharati Case
- d) Advisory Jurisdiction of Supreme Court
- e) Interest Group
- f) Telengana Peasant Uprising

Group-C (10 X 4 = 40 Marks)

3. Answer any four questions each in 200 words.

- a) What was Gandhi's contribution to the economic thinking in the Indian National Movement?
- b) What is Parliamentary Sovereignty? Is it immune to judicial review?
- c) Write an analytical note on decentralization and local self-government in India?
- d) Analyse the role of media in shaping public policies and public opinion.
- e) What are public policies, and what role do they play in Development?
- f) Write a short note on Democracy as a form of good governance.

Group-D (15 X 2 = 30 Marks)

4. Answer any two in 250 words for each.

- a) Summarise the behaviouralists' concept of political participation.
- b) Why is the Supreme Court considered as the highest court of law in India? Explain its purview of jurisdiction.
- c) Analyse the role of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha as the custodians of Parliamentary functions.
- d) Discuss the working of the federal system in India.

Assignment - II

MPS-03: India: Democracy & Development

Full Marks: 100

Group-A (1X10 = 10 Marks)

1. Answer all the questions, each within one or two sentences.

- a) How does the ethnicity affect politics?
- b) What is the Chipko movement about?
- c) Define 'Human Development'.
- d) What do you understand by regionalism?
- e) What is meant by sustainable development?
- f) What is Pareto Optimal (PO) outcome?
- g) Explain the meaning of planned economy.
- h) What do you understand by Hindu Revivalism?
- i) Name any two ethnic conflicts that pose danger to national integration in India.
- j) Why do some scholars assume that procedural democracy has been a great success in India?

Group-B (5X4 = 20 Marks)

2. Write short notes on any four, each in 50 words.

- a) Women in Development (WID) Approach.
- b) How did the concept of sustainable development originate?
- c) Internal Migration in India.
- d) Relationship between development and democracy.
- e) Concept of nation-state
- f) Cultural Nationalism

Group-C (10 X 4 = 40 Marks)

3. Answer any four questions each in 200 words.

- a) Discuss the changing notions of civil society and critically evaluate the contemporary importance attached to it in this era of globalization.
- b) Write a short note on human development in India.
- c) Analyse regionalization of Indian politics and its implication for new economic policies.
- d) What are the indications of sustainable development ?
- e) Explicate the essence of religious politics.
- f) Write a note on the ethnic challenge to the nation-state with the example of Tamil Nadu.

Group-D (15 X 2 = 30 Marks)

4. Answer any two in 250 words for each.

- a) Identify the agencies of development. How do they contribute towards bringing women out into the production arena ?
- b) What is market economy ? Explain its advantages and disadvantages ?
- c) Explain the evolution and growth of democracy in India ?
- d) Identify the forms of manifestation of ethnicity. Compare the challenge of ethnicity to the nation-state in Punjab and Jammu and Kashmir.

Assignment - I

MPS-04: Comparative Politics: Issues and Trends

Full Marks: 100

Group-A (1X10 = 10 Marks)

1. Answer all the questions, each within one or two sentences.

- a) Trace the origin of Comparative Politics as a field of study .
- b) How does Almond classify Political Systems ?
- c) Define Political Economy .
- d) What are the factors responsible for the origin of the state according to the Evolutionary Theory ?
- e) What does the development model - put forward by the Princeton School theorists, suggest about the state ?
- f) What is the meaning of Civil Society ?
- g) How does the hyper globalists define globalization ?
- h) What does SAARC stand for ?
- i) In the context of nation-state system, what factors contribute to the potency of international organizations ?
- j) What do you mean by Nationality ?

Group-B (5X4 = 20 Marks)

2. Write short notes on any four, each in 50 words.

- a) Structure-Functional approach of Gabriel Almond.
- b) Lenin's Dependency Theory of Imperialism .
- c) Impact of State Sovereignty on International Law.
- d) Changing nature of MNCs.
- e) Marx's view of Colonialism
- f) Constitutionalism

Group-C (10 X 4 = 40 Marks)

3. Answer any four questions each in 200 words.

- a) Explain the Marxian Theory of Origin of the State.
- b) Explain the significance of state theory in the contemporary political theory.
- c) Critically examine the impact of multinational corporations on the developing nations of the world.
- d) Briefly analyse the classification of the international organization.
- e) Analyse the colonial formations in South and South-East Asia and the anti-colonial struggle in this region.
- f) Analyse the role of Federalism and Consociationalism in multi ethnic societies.

Group-D (15 X 2 = 30 Marks)

4. Answer any two in 250 words for each.

- a) What is Comparative Politics? Briefly analyse its evolution as a sub-discipline.
- b) Critically examine the main assumption of David Easton's General System theory.
- c) Analyse the advantages of regional integration for states individually and collectively.
- d) Analyse colonialism and anti-colonial struggles in Africa.

Assignment - II

MPS-04: Comparative Politics: Issues and Trends

Full Marks: 100

Group-A (1X10 = 10 Marks)

1. Answer all the questions, each within one or two sentences.

- a) What do you understand by “Community Identities” ?
- b) What are ethno national movements ?
- c) What are the attributes of Political Regimes ?
- d) What are the characteristics of Weber’s model of bureaucracy ?
- e) Why for civilian control of armed services is considered an essential aspect of United States’ governance ?
- f) What according to Ronald Watts, are the structural characteristics of Federalism ?
- g) Define political Parties .
- h) What do you mean by Environment ?
- i) Cite three types of Decentralisation .
- j) What is understood by Human Rights in the First World countries ?

Group-B (5X4 = 20 Marks)

2. Write short notes on any four, each in 50 words.

- a) Ethnonationalism
- b) Totalitarian Regimes
- c) Role of Bureaucracy in Developing Countries
- d) Differences between a Confederation and a Federation
- e) Distinction between interest groups and pressure groups
- f) Nationalisation of Science and Technology

Group-C (10 X 4 = 40 Marks)

3. Answer any four questions each in 200 words.

- a) Why do governments violate human rights?
- b) What are India’s achievements and drawbacks in the development of science and technology?
- c) How would you analyse the effect of globalization on poverty and human development?
- d) What is the emerging role of the military in politics?
- e) What are the strategies adopted by communities to confront perceived or real threats to their interests?
- f) Write an essay on Ethnic Movements in the age of modernization.

Group-D (15 X 2 = 30 Marks)

4. Answer any two in 250 words for each.

- a) Critically examine Max Weber’s ideal concept of bureaucracy
- b) Examine the nature of totalitarian regimes and show how they are different from the authoritarian regimes.
- c) What is the role of the political parties in democratic polity?
- d) What role can “good governance” play in ensuring improved human development?