

1 SEM TDC PSCH (CBCS) C 2

2021

(Held in January/February, 2022)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Core)

Paper : C-2

**(Constitutional Government and
Democracy in India)**

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 : $1 \times 8 = 8$

(a) Which right was described by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar as 'the heart and soul of the Constitution'?

(b) From which Constitution, the Constituent Assembly borrowed the scheme of Indian Federation?

- (c) Mention one occasion for which a Joint Session of the Parliament is held.
- (d) What is the minimum age limit to become the Vice President of India?
- (e) The age of retirement of the Judges of the High Court is 60/62/65 years.

(Choose the correct answer)

(f) Who can act as the President in the absence of the President and the Vice President of India?

(g) The Union List contains _____ Subjects.

(Fill in the blank)

(h) How many seats are reserved for women in Panchayats by 73rd Amendment of the Constitution of India?

2. Answer the following (within **150 words** each) :

4×4=16

- (a) Briefly discuss about the basic structure of the Constitution of India.
- (b) Write a note on the power of 'Judicial Review' of the Supreme Court of India.
- (c) Point out the major areas of Centre-State tensions in India.
- (d) Mention four characteristics of the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act.

(3)

3. Discuss the major provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935. 11

Or

Whether the Preamble is a part of the Constitution? Discuss the significance of the Preamble of the Constitution of India. 1+10=11

4. How is the Prime Minister of India appointed? Discuss the powers and functions of the Prime Minister of India. 2+9=11

Or

Discuss about the election procedure of the President of India. Why is indirect process adopted for his/her election? 8+3=11

5. What do you mean by Public Interest Litigation? Discuss its nature in India. 5+6=11

Or

Discuss the composition, powers and functions of the Supreme Court of India. 11

6. Explain the administrative and legislative relations between the Union and the State Governments in India. 11

Or

Discuss the federal characteristics of the Constitution of India. Why is Indian federalism regarded as quasi-federal? 7+4=11

7. What are the various recommendations of Balwant Rai Mehta Committee? Explain. 12

Or

Discuss the powers and functions of Guwahati Municipal Corporation. 12
