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**2 SEM TDC PSCH (CBCS) C 3**

**2025**

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**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

( Core )

Paper : C-3

**( Political Theory : Concepts and Debates )**

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 : 1×8=8

(a) Who is the author of the book,  
*On Liberty*?

(b) 'Right to Freedom' has been enumerated  
in the Indian Constitution from Article  
\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

( Fill in the blanks )

(c) Write one major feature of procedural  
justice.

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- (d) Write one difference between power and authority.
- (e) Name one Indian Feminists Scholar.
- (f) Name any one advocator of the concept of natural rights.
- (g) The idea of Civil Disobedience was originally introduced by \_\_\_\_ (Henry David Thoreau / Mahatma Gandhi / Motilal Nehru).

( Choose the correct answer )

- (h) Write one element of multi-culturalism.

2. Write short notes on the following (any four) :

4×4=16

- (a) Relation between economic and political liberty
- (b) Importance of political equality in democracy
- (c) Concept of justice from feminist perspective
- (d) First-generation Human Rights : Basic features
- (e) Political obligation and the State : The interface

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3. Define freedom. Explain the difference between positive and negative freedom. 4+8=12

Or

Explain the concept of freedom as emancipation. How does it differ from other forms of freedom? 8+4=12

4. Define egalitarianism. Discuss the relationship between egalitarianism and democracy. 4+7=11

Or

Examine the role of alternative action in achieving equality with special reference to India. 11

5. Define substantive justice. Discuss the key differences between substantive and procedural justice. 3+8=11

Or

Define distributive justice. Discuss the key principles of John Rawls' theory of justice. 4+7=11

6. What is universality of rights? Why is it considered a fundamental principle in Human Rights discourse? Explain. 4+7=11

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*Or*

Make a comprehensive note on rights and obligations with special highlight on their relationship.

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7. Define sovereignty. Discuss the challenges to sovereignty in the contemporary times.  $4+7=11$

*Or*

Define cultural relativism. Examine the major debates on the universalism vs. cultural relativism of rights.

$3+8=11$

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