

FOURTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2016
(CUCBCSS-UG)

Complementary Course

ICP 3C 03 / ICP 4C 04—INDIAN CONSTITUTION AND POLITICS : POLITICAL
DYNAMICS AND FEDERAL DYNAMICS AND DECENTRALISATION

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 M

Answers may be written either in English or in Malayalam.
Answer questions from all sections and both parts.

Section A (Objective Type Questions)

Answer all questions.
Each question carries ½ mark.

Part I

Choose the correct answer.

1. First Lok Sabha Elections were held in the year :

(a) 1957.	(b) 1947.
(c) 1951.	(d) 1950.
2. BSP was founded by :

(a) Kanshi Ram.	(b) Mayawati.
(c) Jyotiba Phule.	(d) Ambedkar.
3. The Article of the Indian Constitution that gives the procedure of amendment :

(a) Article 356.	(b) Article 360.
(c) Article 352.	(d) Article 368.

Fill in the blanks.

4. _____ report of 1854 provided the base and philosophy for the Indian Civil Service.
5. _____ is the present Chief Election Commissioner.
6. _____ is the philosophy of BJP.

(6 × ½ =

Part II

Choose the correct answer.

7. Eleventh Schedule of the Constitution enlists the powers of :
- (a) Municipalities. (b) Election Commission.
(c) Planning Commission. (d) Panchayats.
8. Article 352 of the Constitution deals with :
- (a) State Emergency. (b) National Emergency.
(c) Financial Emergency. (d) None of these.
9. "India has a federation with a strong centralizing tendency." This observation was made by :
- (a) Granville Austin. (b) Morris Jones.
(c) Ivor Jennings. (d) D.D. Basu.

Fill in the blanks.

10. Article 263 contains provisions for the formation of _____ for co-ordination among states.
11. Balwant Rai Mehta Committee was appointed to examine the functioning of _____.
12. The 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act came into force in the year _____.

(6 × ½ = 3 marks)

Section B (Very Short Answer Questions)

*Answer any five questions from each part.
Answers should not exceed 30 words each.
Each question carries 2 marks.*

Part I

13. Akali Dal. 14. One party dominant system.
15. Chief Election Commissioner. 16. All India Services.
17. Civil Service Neutrality. 18. Regionalism.

(5 × 2 = 10 marks)

Part II

19. Co-operative Federalism. 20. Ombudsman.
21. Social capital. 22. Criminalisation of politics.
23. Fundamentalism. 24. Finance Commission.

(5 × 2 = 10 marks)

Section C (Short Essays)

*Answer any three from each part.
Answers should not exceed 100 words each.
Each question carries 5 marks.*

Part I

25. Examine the increasing importance of regional political parties in India.
26. Discuss the recent proposals for Electoral Reforms.
27. Describe the procedure for the amendment of the constitution.
28. Write a note on State Services.

(2 × 5 = 15 marks)

Part II

29. Bring out the rationale behind reservation. Explain the arguments of the anti-reservationists.
30. Suggest your views to curb communalism.
31. Outline the composition and functions of National Development Council.
32. Go through the arguments for and against disbanding the Planning Commission.

(3 × 5 = 15 marks)

Section D (Essay Questions)

*Answer any one from each part.
Answers should not exceed 400 words each.
The question carries 12 marks.*

Part I

33. Analyse the salient features of the emerging party system in India.
34. Summarise the role and functions of UPSC and State Public Service Commissions.

(1 × 12 = 12 marks)

Part II

35. Critically analyse the nature of India's centralized federation.
36. Outline the significance of the 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments.

(1 × 12 = 12 marks)