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**SECOND SEMESTER M.A. (CBCSS) REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY
DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2026**

Political Science

POL 2C 06—POLITICAL THEORY : LIBERAL TRADITION

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Short Answer Questions)*Answer any **four** questions.**Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Age of Enlightenment.
2. Theory of Natural Rights.
3. J.S. Mill on Women Rights.
4. Theory of Expediency.
5. Political Realism.
6. Felicific Calculus.
7. Liberatrianism.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

Section B (Short Essay Questions)*Answer any **four** questions.**Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. Differentiate between Negative Liberty and Positive Liberty.
9. Explain Rousseau's Theory of General Will.
10. Explain John Rawls's theory of Distributive Justice.
11. Critically examine Edmund Burke's perspective on Revolution and Reform.
12. Outline the contributions of H.J. Laski to the theory of Liberalism.
13. State and criticize Hegel's theory of Freedom.
14. Explain Nozick's Theory of property.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

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Section C (Essay Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Each question carries 5 weightage.

15. 'Machiavelli confined his enquiries to the means that suited to acquire, to retain and to expand power as he considered it as an end in itself.' Substantiate.
16. Examine Friedrich Hayek's views on state and its role in the neoliberal order.
17. Critically examine Thomas Hobbes's social contract theory of State.
18. Discuss the contributions of Utilitarians to Liberalism and Democracy.

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Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Short Answer Questions)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Machiavellian political ethics.
2. Hobbes on state of nature.
3. Hegelian dialectical method.
4. Laissez-Faire theory.
5. Rousseau on civilization.
6. Positive liberty.
7. Quantitative utilitarianism.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

Section B (Short Essay Questions)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. What, according to Laski, are the important guarantees for the achievement of liberty ?
9. Critically examine Hegel's views and ideas on freedom.
10. Distinguish between classical liberalism and Neoliberalism.
11. Elucidate John Rawls's theory of justice.
12. Explain John Locke's doctrine of natural rights and its impact on modern theories of rights.
13. Comment on Robert Nozick's theory of entitlement.
14. Explain the libertarian concept of 'Minimal state'.

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Section C (Essay Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.
Each question carries 5 weightage.*

15. Trace the evolution and growth of political liberalism.
16. 'Friedrich Hayek's thought is a strong plea for free-market capitalism'. Discuss.
17. Critically examine Rousseau's doctrine of general will.
18. Discuss the contributions of Edmund – Burke to the philosophy of conservatism.

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Political Science

POL2C06—POLITICAL THEORY : LIBERAL TRADITION

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Short Answer Questions)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Theory of natural rights.
2. Felicific calculus.
3. Libertarianism.
4. Justice as entitlement.
5. Neutral state.
6. Good governance.
7. Doctrine of expediency.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

Section B (Short Essay Questions)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. Examine John Locke's conception of Sovereignty.
9. Comment on Edmund Burke's approach to revolution and reform.
10. Examine H.J. Laski's views and ideas on liberty.
11. Critically examine Rousseau's doctrine of 'General Will'.
12. Discuss the impact of Age of Enlightenment on political liberalism.
13. Explain communitarianism as a critique of liberalism.
14. Examine the relationship between liberalisation and globalisation.

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Section C (Essay Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.
Each question carries 5 weightage.*

15. Assess the contributions of Machiavelli to modern political theory.
16. Critically examine J.S. Mill's views and ideas on liberty.
17. State and criticise Hegel's theory of state.
18. Discuss the nature and characteristics of Neoliberalism.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)