

## PANJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH

### SYLLABUS AND PATTERN OF QUESTION PAPER

#### B.A.(General) First Year Examination

#### POLITICAL THEORY-I

**Objectives :** The objective of this paper is to introduce First Year undergraduate students to some of the basic aspects, concepts and themes in the discipline of Political Science.

#### INSTRUCTION FOR THE PAPER SETTER AND THE CANDIDATES

- (a) There shall be 9 questions in all.
- (b) In Question No. One, 15 short-answer type questions be asked spreading over whole syllabus to be answered in 10-20 words each. The students shall have to attempt 9 short-answer type questions i. e. 2 marks of each. It shall carry 18 marks and shall be a compulsory question.
- (c) Rest of the paper shall contain 4 units. Each unit shall have two questions and the candidate shall be given internal choice. The candidate shall attempt one question from each unit i. e. 4 in all of 18 marks each.
- (d) For private and reappear candidates, who have not been assessed earlier for internal assessment, the marks secured by them in theory paper will proportionately be increased to maximum marks of the paper in lieu of internal assessment.

The paper setter must put note (d) in the Question Paper.

## FIRST SEMESTER

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Theory : 90

Internal Assessment : 10 Marks

#### Unit I

1. **Political Science :** Meaning, Definition and Scope.
2. Relationship of Political Science with Economics, History and Sociology.



## Unit II

1. **The State** : Definition, Elements and its Distinction from Government and Society.
2. **Theories of the Origin of State** : Social Contract, Historical/ Evolutionary.

## Unit III

1. **State** : Liberal, Marxian and Gandhian View.
2. **Welfare State** : Liberal and Socialist Perspective.

## Unit IV

1. **Sovereignty** : Definition, Attributes/Characteristics and Types.
2. **Theories of Sovereignty** : Monistic and Pluralistic.
3. **Political System** : a) Meaning and Characteristics.  
**Political System** : b) Functions according to David Easton and Almond & Powell.

