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III Semester B.A. Degree (PVT REG-Regular) Examination, November 2021
(2020 Admission)

CORE COURSE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE
3B04POL : Ancient and Medieval Political Thought

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

PART – A

I. Answer **all** the questions **each** in **one** or **two** sentences. **Each** answer carries **one** mark.

- 1) The ideal of civic life in Greek political thought.
- 2) What were the three social classes did Plato believe in ?
- 3) Aristotle's concept about the nature of State.
- 4) Mention the idea of Polybius about checks and balances.
- 5) 'Universal Monarchy'.
- 6) Machiavelli's views about human nature as depicted in 'The Prince'. (1×6=6)

PART – B

II. Answer **any six** questions **each** in a Paragraph. **Each** answer carries **two** marks.

- 7) Explain briefly the political philosophy of 'Sophists'.
- 8) Make a brief note on the 'second best State' as described by Plato in his later works.
- 9) Examine Aristotle's criticism on Plato.
- 10) According to Aristotle, what are the special characteristics of a citizen.
- 11) Examine the aims of State controlled education according to Plato.
- 12) Examine the meaning of Stoicism.
- 13) Plato followed dialectical method to study political phenomena. Comment.
- 14) Analyse major criticism raised against the political thought of Machiavelli. (2×6=12)

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PART – C

III. Answer **any four** questions **each** in **120** words. **Each** answer carries **three** marks.

- 15) Briefly examine contribution and features of Greek political thought.
- 16) Identify fascist elements in Platonic political thought.
- 17) 'State existis for the sake of good life' (Aristotle). Elucidate.
- 18) Prepare a critical note on Plato's communism of property.
- 19) Analyse Aquinas' theory of Law and Justice.
- 20) Evaluate Machiavelli as a "Practical Realist". (4×3=12)

PART – D

IV. Essay questions. Answer **any two**. **Each** answer carries **five** marks.

- 21) 'Analyse the system of government as portrayed by Plato in "The Laws".'
- 22) Make a critical assessment of the position of Machiavelli in the history of Political thought.
- 23) Account for the contributions and features of Roman Law.
- 24) Assess the elements of conservatism in Aristotle's political philosophy. How far Aristotle is different from Plato in this regard ? (2×5=10)