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First Semester M.A. Degree (CBSS – Reg.) Examination, October 2020  
(2020 Admission Only)

**GOVERNANCE AND POLITICS**  
**GAP1C01 : Debates in Political Theory**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**SECTION – A**

Answer **any ten** questions (Paragraph).

1. Procedural democracy.
2. Post-secularism.
3. Authority.
4. Post-structuralism.
5. Popular sovereignty.
6. Base-super structure analysis.
7. Public sphere.
8. Feminism.
9. Social Capital.
10. Ecopolitics.
11. Libertarianism.
12. Development as freedom.

(10×2=20)

**SECTION – B**

Answer **any six** questions (Short essay).

13. Examine the notion of liberty espoused by J. S. Mill in his treatise *On Liberty*. What does he mean by 'the tyranny of the majority' ?
14. Examine the feminist perspective of power.

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15. 'The executive of the modern state is but a committee for managing the common affairs of the bourgeoisie'. To what extent, this statement captures the Marxian theory of state ?
16. Examine the impact of globalization on the idea of citizenship.
17. What are the features of the public sphere that make it distinct from civil society ?
18. Explain the concept of deliberative democracy and analyse the scope of deliberative democratic practices in the functioning of local self governments.
19. Elucidate the aspects in which modern political theory differs from classical political theory.
20. Critically analyse the practices of surveillance state, employing the Foucauldian notion of biopower. (6×5=30)

**SECTION – C**

Answer **any two** questions (Essay).

21. Critically assess the impact of globalization upon the sovereignty of states. Do you think it is an irreversible phenomenon in the post Brexit world ?
22. Elucidate Rawlsian concept of justice as presented in his work *A Theory of Justice*. Analyze the significance and limitations of his theorization.
23. Elucidate the essential features of a democratic state, Do you think democracy is valuable in itself ?
24. Explain the nature and outline the evolution of political theory. Assess the significance of political theory in contemporary times. (2×15=30)