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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2023

PIR 3502 – CONTEMPORARY EUROPE

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

PART – A

(4x 10 = 40 Marks)

Answer any **Four** of the following in 400-500 words each

1. Explain briefly the significance of the People's spring of 1848.
2. What is the role of the OSCE in reducing cold war tensions in Europe?
3. Write short notes on the role of the ECSC in creating the European integration project.
4. Analyse the salient role of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.
5. How can the evolution of European Union be evaluated through the lens of social constructivism?
6. Discuss the division of Europe into two antagonistic camps and its impact during the Cold War.

PART – B

(3 x 20 = 60 Marks)

Answer any **Three** of the following in 1200 to 1500 words each

7. a) Describe in detail the emergence of national community in Europe at the expense of monarchies. How does this affect Europe's balance of power in the 19th and 20th centuries?
(or)
b) Discuss the three pillars of integration envisaged in the Maastricht Treaty. How does EMU create the conditions for the introduction of Euro?
8. a) Explain in detail the role of the European Parliament in EU's institutional triangle. What are the key features of the Parliament that enable greater democratisation?
(or)
b) Elucidate the functions of the Court of Justice of the EU. What are the powers vested in the Court regarding European Affairs?
9. a) Assess the key features of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. Give specific reference to the constitutional provisions on 'External action' of the Union.
(or)
b) Is the European Union an intergovernmental or supranational organisation, or partly both? Justify your answer with supportive arguments.

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