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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2023

PIR 1503 – MODERN GOVERNMENTS AND COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTION

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PART - A

 $(4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ Marks})$

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

- 1. Explain Benedict Anderson's idea of 'Nation as an imagined community'.
- 2. Elucidate any two theory of Government. Explain with relevant constitutional examples.
- 3. Discuss the characteristics and working of Presidential System.
- 4. Trace the origin, evolution and significance of Negative Constitutionalism with examples.
- 5. Elucidate the basic features of French Semi-Presidential system.
- 6. What is Liberty? Explain negative and positive Liberty with relevant examples.

PART - B

 $(3 \times 20 = 60 \text{ Marks})$

Answer any Three of the following in 1200-1500 words each

7 a) Define the concept of the State. Explain the Divine and Patriarchal Theory of the origins of State.

(or)

- b) What is Democratic form of Government? How executive powers of War making are controlled by democratic mechanisms.
- 8 a) Elucidate the origin, powers and significance of the Judiciary in Presidential and Parliamentary System of Government.

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- b) What is a Constitution? Explain the role and powers of the Constitution in ensuring 'Checks and Balances'.
- 9 a) Compare the role of the Legislature regarding the Treaty making and War declaration powers in the USA and India's political system.

(or)

b) Discuss Dr. Ambedkar's idea of Constitutionalism. Examine the role of 'Affirmative action' in ensuring Social justice goals of the State.
