

LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

FIRST SEMESTER – **APRIL 2024**

PIR 1503 – MODERN GOVERNMENTS AND COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTION

Date: 12-04-2024

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

PART – A

(4x 10 = 40 Marks)

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

1. Elucidate Austin's theory of Sovereignty.
2. Explain the Socialist theory of Government with relevant example.
3. Discuss the basic characteristics and working of Parliamentary model of Government.
4. What is Positive Constitutionalism? Explain by providing relevant constitutional provisions.
5. Examine the concept and working of China's unitary political system.
6. Describe fundamental features of Switzerland's Consociational model of Government.

PART – B

(3 x 20 = 60 Marks)

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

7. a) Trace the origin, evolution and significance of Civil and Criminal Law. What are the prominent sources of Law?

(or)

- b) What is Socialism? Explain the role of Socialism in India's Constitutional scheme.

8. a) Examine the concept of 'Checks and Balance' and 'Separation of Power' in the functioning of USA's Federal Constitution.

(or)

- b) Critically analyze the idea of Negative Constitutionalism. Compare its working through Constitutional arrangements in the USA with that of India's Parliamentary System.

9. a) What is a Bicameral Legislature? Discuss the role and significance of the Upper House of being the custodian of the rights of Constituting units.

(or)

- b) What is Executive branch of the State? Compare the executive powers of India's Prime Minister with that of President of the USA.

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