PG Odd Semester (CBCS) Exam., December—2016

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(3rd Semester)

Course No. : PLS–301 (C)

(Classical and Contemporary Marxist Thought)

Full Marks : 75
Pass Marks : 30

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer **five** questions, taking **one** from each Unit

UNIT—I

1. Why is Robert Owen known as the Father of British socialism? Discuss his initiatives towards children's education and factory reform. 5+10=15

2. Discuss Saint-Simon's contribution to the development of utopian socialism. Why is the accused of double tendency of positivism and mystical traits? 8+7=15

UNIT—II

3. Discuss the theory of materialistic interpretation of history. 15

4. Explain the meaning of class struggle. Describe its significance in a capitalist society. 7+8=15

UNIT—III

5. Critically analyze Lenin's theory of party system. Why is the vanguard party important in the class struggle and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat? 7+8=15

6. Explain Lenin's theory of State and Revolution. 15

UNIT—IV

7. What is New Democracy? Describe Mao's theory of New Democracy. 5+10=15

8. Write a short analysis of the Chinese Cultural Revolution and its impact on Modern Chinese Society. 15

UNIT—V

9. Write a short note on any *one* of the following : 15

(a) Gramsci's concept of intellectual and their role in the society

(b) Relative autonomy of the State

10. Describe Gramsci's theory of the State. Why is the State considered by Gramsci as a synthesis of civil society and political society? 8+7=15

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