2018

M.A.

4th Semester Examination

POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH RURAL ADMINISTRATION

PAPER-PLS-403

Subject Code—11

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

COURSE NO.-PLS/403/A (LGP)

[Rural Local Government in India]

Group-A

(20 marks)

1. Answer any one of the following:

 1×10

- (a) Analyse the major provisions of the constitution (73rd Amendment) Act 1992 and assess its impact on the process of democratic decentralisation in rural India.
- (b) Describe the changing nature of Panchayati Raj experiments in West Bengal with special reference to recent developments.

(Turn Over)

2. Answer any two of the following:

- 2×5
- (a) Identify the major provisions of the Balwant Raj Mehta Committee's recommendations on PRIs.
- (b) Examine the role of Gram Sabha in the process of democratic decentralisation.
- (c) Do you think that the panchayet bodies in West Bengal are autonomous? Argue your case.

Group-B

(20 marks)

3. Answer any one of the following:

1×10

- (a) Do you agree with the view that despite West Bengal's initiative for 50% reservation of women, the empowerment of women remains a day dream? Give reasons of your answer.
- (b) Describe the major poverty alleviation programmes undertaken by the present government in West Bengal.
- 4. Answer any two of the following:

2×5

- (a) Write a short note on the first state. Finance commissions report of PRIs in West Bengal.
- (b) Describe the functions of the standing committees of the Panchayat Samitis in West Bengal.
- (c) Identify the major sources of revenue of the Gram Panchayat of West Bengal.

[Internal Assessment: 10 marks]

COURSE NO.-PLS/403/B (SPSA)

[Social and Political Movements in South Asia]

Group-A

(20 marks)

- 1. Answer any one of the following:
 - (a) Analyse the Political significance of language controversy in East Pakistan.
 - (b) Write a critical note on the Moist Movement in Sri Lanka.
- **2.** Answer any two of the following: 2×5
 - (a) What are the essential features of 'basic democracy'?
 - (b) Write a short note on the Shahbag Movement in Bangladesh.
 - (c) What were the causes of the Maoist Movement in Nepal?

Group-B

(20 marks)

- 3. Answer any one of the following: 1×10
 - (a) Discuss, in brief, the different streams of Post-Gandhi
 Gandhian Movements in India

1×10

- (b) Give a brief outline of the human rights Movement in India.
- 4. Answer any two of the following: 2×5
 - (a) What is Meant by Political Trade-Unionism'?
 - (b) In what sense Communist Movement in India is regarded as 'Parliamentary Communism'?
 - (c) Write a short note on the importance of the Naxalite Movement in Indian Politics.

[Internal Assessment: 10 marks]