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Sixth Semester B. A. Degree Examination, April 2023

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Political Science

Core Course XIII

PS 1643 : DECENTRALISATION AND PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY

(2017 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions. Each answer shall not exceed one or two sentences. Each answer carries **1** mark.
1. Decentralisation
 2. Grama Panchayat
 3. Poverty.
 4. Self-Help Groups
 5. Financial Decentralisation
 6. Ashraya
 7. Planning
 8. Women Empowerment
 9. MNREGA
 10. Devolution

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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II. Answer any **eight** questions. Each answer shall not exceed one paragraph. Each answer carries **2** marks.

11. Define community Development Programme.
12. What is meant by Political Decentralisation?
13. Point out the recommendations of Ashok Mehta Committee.
14. State the importance of decentralisation.
15. Write a short note on District Planning Committee.
16. Distinguish between Centralisation and Decentralisation.
17. Briefly discuss the meaning of Delegation.
18. Identify the three-tier structure of Kundumbashree in Kerala.
19. What is the significance of Planning?
20. Point out the significance of Micro Finance.
21. What is meant by Participatory Planning?
22. State the meaning of Functional Decentralisation.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six** questions. Each answer shall not exceed **120** words. Each question carries **4** marks.

23. Discuss the Gandhian Perspective of Decentralisation.
24. Write on the administrative dimensions of decentralisation.
25. Sketch the features of People's Planning in Kerala.
26. Highlight the recommendations of Balwant Rai Mehta Committee with regard to decentralisation.
27. Write on the structure and composition of Municipal Government in India as per the 74th Constitutional Amendment.
28. What is Social Audit? Discuss the Objectives of Social Audit.

29. Sketch the composition and functions of Grama Sabha.
30. Write on the Liberal Perspective of Decentralisation.
31. Discuss the position and power of Mayor with respect to urban governance.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. (Essay) Answer any **two** questions. **Each** answer carries **15** marks.

32. Discuss the evolution of decentralized administration in India.
33. What do you mean by Participatory Democracy? How important is participation of people in a democracy?
34. Discuss the provisions of 73rd Constitutional Amendment with respect to the organization, structure and functions of Panchayati Raj Institutions.
35. How Kudumbashree empowered women in Kerala?

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)