

2026

(FYUGP)

(4th Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(MAJOR)

Paper : POL/H/C-8

(Modern Political Philosophy)

Full Marks : 75

Pass Marks : 40%

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions.*

1. (a) Define modern political philosophy.
Explain the discourses of modernity in
relation to modern political philosophy. 15

Or

- (b) What is enlightenment? Discuss the
characteristics of enlightenment. 3+12=15

2. (a) Critically discuss Rousseau's social
contract theory. 15

Or

- (b) Analyze Rousseau's theory of General Will.

3. (a) Examine Mary Wollstonecraft's critics on women and paternalism to early feminist thought. 15

Or

- (b) "Without legal rights, women cannot be moral or rational citizen." Discuss the statement with reference to Wollstonecraft.

4. (a) Examine J. S. Mill's theory of liberty. 15

Or

- (b) Discuss J. S. Mill's theory of utilitarianism.

5. (a) Critically discuss Karl Marx's theory of dialectical materialism. 15

Or

- (b) Discuss Karl Marx's theory of class struggle.
