

**M.A. 1<sup>st</sup> SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2020 (CBCS) (New Syllabus)**

**Subject: Political Science**

**Paper: MAPOL-103**

Time: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

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

**Answer question No. 5 and any two from the rest.**

1. Discuss the meaning and characteristics of comparative politics as a separate discipline. (10)
2. Explain the concept of political development with reference to development syndrome. (10)
3. Examine the role of political parties in decision making process. (10)
4. Explain the view of Blondel's on new institutionalism. (10)

**5. Answer any four questions from the following: 5x4=20**

- a) Briefly identify the types of case studies in comparative method.
- b) Why comparative method is a basic method for any research?
- c) Write a short note on the merits and demerits of experimental method in social science.
- d) What are the primary components of a political system mentioned by David Easton?
- e) Classify interest groups as mentioned by LaPalombara.
- f) Write a short note on the American lobby system.
- g) Briefly explain 'rule making' as an output function of a political system.
- h) Identify major limitations of the institutional approach.

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1. Discuss the meaning and characteristics of comparative politics as a separate discipline. (10)
2. Analyze the concept of 'political development' as elucidated by Lucian Pye. (10)
3. Examine the role of political parties in decision making process. (10)
4. Explore the meaning and different types of political culture as developed by Gabriel Almond and Sidney Verba. (10)

**5. Answer any four questions from the following:**

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- a) How would you distinguish between comparative politics and comparative government?
- b) What, according to Almond, is a political system?
- c) What are the primary components of a political system as mentioned by David Easton?
- d) What do you mean by political party?
- e) What is meant by modernization?
- f) Classify interest groups following Joseph LaPalombara.
- g) Write a short note on the American lobby system.
- h) Following Almond, briefly explain 'rule making' as a function of a political system.