National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam B.A.,LL.B.(Hons.): I-Year, I-Semester (Academic Year: 2017-18)

## Semester End Examination (December, 2017)

Subject Code: 1.1 English - I

Time: 2:00 Hrs. Total Marks: 50

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
- 2. Unnecessary queries on the Question Paper shall not be entertained.
- 3. Do not write anything on the question paper. It will be treated as malpractice.

### Answer any five questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. Critically appreciate the poem "The Unknown Citizen" by W.H. Auden or Langston Hughes' poem "I, Too, Sing America".
- 2. According to critics *Animal Farm* examines the nature of a revolution itself. Unless everyone makes the revolution for himself or herself, without surrendering power to somebody else, there will be little hope for freedom or equality. Explain the series of events that take place in Manor Farm after Mr. Jones is driven away. Justify the given statement in the light of your reading of the novel.
- 3. Explain the following Legal Maxims:

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- a) Audi alteram partem
- b) Actus non facit reum nisi mens sit rea (The act itself does not constitute guilt unless done with a guilty intent.)
- 4. Describe the classes into which the Consonants are classified- firstly, according to the speech organs which articulate them and secondly, according to the manner in which the organs of speech articulate them with suitable examples.
- 5. Answer the following as directed:
  - (i) Frame sentences to bring out the meaning of the words given:

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- a) Commanded, Commended;
- b) Cease, Seize;
- c) Economic, Economical;
- d) Deduce, Deduct;
- e) Persevered, Preserved
- (ii) Choose the appropriate word from the list given to replace the underlined expressions in the following sentences:

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Designed, presented, created, addressed, constructed

- a) The speaker was a celebrity who had produced a highly popular cartoon show.
- b) His talk was much appreciated because he gave interesting details about the animation techniques he used.
- c) He said that he had <u>built</u> the story by putting together three different fairy tales.
- d) Each part was <u>planned</u> to focus on one of the fairy tales he had used.
- e) He dealt with various issues related to cartoon production.
- 6. Explain briefly the meaning of these terms:

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- a) Ex Parte
- b) First Information Report (FIR)
- c) Locus Standi
- d) Ex Officio
- e) Modus Operandi

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## Semester End Examination (December, 2017) Subject Code: 1.2 History - I

Time: 2:00 Hrs. Total Marks: 50

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
- 2. Unnecessary queries on the Question Paper shall not be entertained.
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### Answer any five questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. Alaudin Khalji inherited a polity within the Delhi Sultanate that was not only capable of sustaining itself but also had the capacity of territorial expansion as narrow constraints imposed upon it by the nobility had been broken by Balban. Discuss.
- 2. 'The experiments and reforms of Muhammad bin Tughlaq were the manifestation of a state struggling to maintain a centralized monarchy and bring homogeneity in its functioning.' In the light of the statement above, give a critical appraisal of the experiments and reforms initiated by Muhammad bin Tughlaq.
- 3. The Mughal state under Akbar had brought together a disparate array of nobles to create a powerful dynastic ideology that glorified the emperor as the living embodiment of the Empire and relations of direct personal devotion of the imperial nobility. Discuss Akbar's contribution towards creating a Mughal political culture that focused on the harmonizing nature of kingship.
- 4. Discuss the significance of Aurangzeb's policies regarding the Rajputs and the Marathas which contributed towards dismantling of the imperial regime.
- 5. (a) The conferring of *diwani* rights upon the East India Company after the Battle of Buxar was the result of centuries of weakening of centralized imperial power and rise of autonomous elites in the provinces. Discuss briefly the significance of the Battles of Plassey and Buxar in bringing about the end of the Mughal dominance and the rise of the East India Company.
  - (b) Can the Revolt of 1857 be described as the First War of Independence? Discuss.
- 6. (a) Discuss briefly the various trends of reform in Indian society in the early nineteenth century and their contribution towards the a cultural nationalism manifested in the twentieth century.
  - (b) The Swadeshi movement turned into a broad based movement from a protest against the Partition of Bengal. Discuss.

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## Semester End Examination (December, 2017) Subject Code: 1.3 Political Science - I

Time: 2:00 Hrs. Total Marks: 50

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
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### Answer any five questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Dictatorship form of government, shot up often as a strong reaction against democracy, has least regard for people's opinion or criticism. Delineate the prominent nature of the dictatorship form of government as witnessed mostly in the twentieth century. Also explain some of the inherent advantages as well as the disadvantages of the dictatorship form of government.

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2. Liberty, one of the pivotal ideals of democracy, is a fundamental concept without which man is hardly a man. Discuss the essential conditions required for the fulfillment of individual liberty in a democratic society and potential menaces to individual liberty in general. Also explain the equivocal relations between liberty and equality by giving practical illustrations.

5+5=10

3. As one of the profound social contract theorists, Jean-Jacques Rousseau, the 18<sup>th</sup> century political thinker, has advanced a far reaching theory about the emergence of the state. Elucidate the social contract theory of Jean-Jacques Rousseau in relation to the development of the state. Also write a critical analysis on Jean-Jacques Rousseau's social contract theory.

5+5=10

4. Amongst the varied forms of governments, the unitary and the federal forms of governments are the two widely prevailing forms of government in the modern times. Write some of the merits and demerits of the unitary form of government practiced in modern times. Further, discuss the salient nature of the federal form of government.

5+5=10

5. Power, which is central to the study of politics as politics is often perceived as the struggle for power, draws different interpretations. Explain in detail the class perspective

and elite perspective on power. Expand your answer by discussing the prominent kinds of power such as political power, economic power and ideological power with suitable examples.

5+5=10

6. Legislature which is, arguably, deemed to be more significant organ than the other two organs of government has manifold functions. Explain the primary functions of the legislature as evinced in a modern democratic government. Substantiate your answer by discussing both the advantages and disadvantages of direct legislation being practiced in direct democracies.

5+5=10

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# Semester End Examination (December, 2017) Subject Code: 1.4 Sociology - I

Time: 2:00 Hrs. Total Marks: 50

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
- 2. Unnecessary queries on the Question Paper shall not be entertained.
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### Answer any five questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. The following is an example of the micro level of society:
  - (a) Two individuals having a conversation
  - (b) A change in the political climate of a country
  - (c) A new economic force emerging in the global economy
  - (d) All of the answers are correct
  - (e) None of the answers are correct

Discuss the sociological perspective which focuses on the micro level of human society. Use suitable illustration in your answer. 1+6+3=10

- 2. What do you understand by the term Acculturation? Why is ethnocentrism and Cultural relativism relevant for a country like India? 2+4+4=10
- 3. Why is Hindu Marriage known as a Sacrament? Discuss the salient features of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955. 3+7=10
- 4. "Sociology is a science which attempts the interpretive understanding of social action in order thereby to arrive at a causal explanation of its course and effects." Critically discuss the aforementioned statement with suitable illustrations.
- 5. Write Short Notes on (any two):

5x2=10

- (a) The Comparative Method in Sociology
- (b) Role-Conflict
- (c) Organic Analogy
- 6. What is a family of orientation and a family of procreation? Also distinguish between cross cousin marriage and parallel cousin marriage with illustration. Highlight the different types of families formed on the basis of residence.

  3+4+3=10

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### **Semester End Examination (December, 2017)**

## Subject Code: 1.5 Legal Methods and Social Sciences Research Methodology

Time: 2:00 Hrs. Total Marks: 50

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
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### Answer any five questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. Elaborate the importance and significance of understanding of Legal Methods from the perspective of a legal researcher.
- 2. Explain why research is called voyage of discovery, a journey from the known to the unknown.
- 3. "Research problem must spring from the mind of the researcher like a plant springing from the seed". In the light of the given statement discuss the importance and significance of formulation of research problem.
- 4. "Hypothesis is a tentative statement that describes the relation of two or more variables in a cause and effect relation which may be proved or disproved".
  Critically analyse the statement and discuss the importance of hypothesis in the development and progress of research.
- 5. "That method is best that suits the researcher best!"

  Justify the given statement by elucidating any two methods of data collection of your choice.
- 6. Write notes on:
  - a) Doctrinal Research;
  - b) Report writing.

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Subject Code: 1.6 Law of Torts and Motor Vehicles Act

Time: 2:00 Hrs. Total Marks: 50

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
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## Answer any five questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. (a) "Generally, a person is liable for his own wrongful acts and one does not incur liability for the acts done by the others. But in certain cases however, vicarious liability arises." What are the different situations in which vicarious liability may arise in law of torts?
  - (b) Define the term "in the course of employment" in relation to vicarious liability?
- 2. What do you mean by the term remoteness of damages? What are the tests for determining the remoteness of damages?
- 3. (a) What do you mean by the maxim "sic utere tuo ut alienum non laedas". Explain the tort of nuisance in the light of the above statement.
  - (b) What are the defenses to the tort of nuisance?
- 4. Lord Atkin "You must take reasonable care to avoid acts or omissions which you can reasonably foresee would likely to injure your neighbor". Explain the law laid down in *Donoughue vs. Stevenson* with suitable case laws.
- 5. There are situations when a person may be liable for some harm even though he is not negligent in causing the same or there was no intention to cause the harm, or sometimes he may even have made positive efforts to avoid the same. This gives rise to "no-fault liability". Explain the principles of no-fault liability in Indian law and English law respectively.
- 6. Write short notes on any two of the following:
  - (a) Trespass to person
  - (b) Volenti non fit injuria
  - (c) Damnum sine Injuria.