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First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Political Science

Complementary Course VI for English

PS 1231.4 : DECENTRALISATION AND LOCAL GOVERNANCE

(2022 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – A

Answer **all** questions. Each answer shall not exceed one or two sentences. Each answer carries **1** mark.

1. Decentralisation
2. Devolution
3. Participatory Democracy
4. Political decentralisation
5. Participatory Planning
6. Balwant Rai Mehta Committee
7. Grama Sabha
8. Social Audit

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9. Article 40 of the Constitution

10. Good Governance

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

PART – B

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

11. What is meant by administrative decentralization?
12. Examine the dimensions of functional decentralization.
13. Write a short note on delegation.
14. How to initiate participatory planning?
15. What is the objective of devolution?
16. Write a short note on Ashok Mehta Committee.
17. Write a note on the need of social audit.
18. Point out the objectives of Kudumbasree.
19. What are the benefits of democratic decentralization?
20. Elucidate the objectives of People's Planning in the state of Kerala.
21. State the functions of Finance Commission in the context of Panchayat Raj.
22. Discuss the constitutional dimensions of decentralization in India.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

PART – C

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

23. Critically examine the main features of 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act.
24. Give a detailed account on types of decentralisation.
25. Write short essay on devolution of power.
26. What are the different ways to enhance people's participation in democratic process?
27. Analyse the various stages of participatory planning.
28. 'Ayalkoottam are the instrument of empowerment of Kerala women'-Discuss.
29. Discuss the features of Municipal administration in India.
30. Examine the importance of accountability and transparency in local administration.
31. Give a detailed account on the challenges faced by local governing bodies in India.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

PART – D

Essay Answer any **two** questions. **Each** question carries **15** marks.

32. Define Democratic decentralisation and discuss its evolution in India.
33. Discuss the meaning, nature and importance of participatory planning.
34. Examine the organization, structure and functions of Panchayathi Raj System in India.
35. Explain the objectives and functioning of Kudumbasree in Kerala.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)