PRESIDENCY UNIVERSITY
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SET B

SCHOOL OF LAW
END TERM EXAMINATION - JAN 2024

Semester : Semester I - 2023

Course Code : BAL2001

Course Name : Political theory

Program : BA LLB Honors

Date : 10-JAN-2024

Time : 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Max Marks : 100

Weightage : 50%

Instructions:
(i) Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.
(ii)Question paper consists of 1 part.
(iii)   Scientific and non-programmable calculator are permitted.
(iv)   Do not write any information on the question paper other than Roll Number.

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS   10 X 10M = 100M

1. Discuss the concept of political legitimacy and explore the various theories that seek to justify governmental authority.

   (CO1) [Comprehension]

2. How does the concept of the "veil of ignorance" contribute to John Rawls' theory of justice, and what criticisms have been raised against it?

   (CO2) [Comprehension]

3. Evaluate the assertion regarding India's classification as a Socialist State. Support your argument with relevant justifications for either affirming or refuting this characterization..

   (CO2) [Comprehension]

4. Compare and contrast the characteristics of parliamentary and elitist forms of Democracy.

   (CO3) [Comprehension]

5. Discuss Amartya Sen's view of development as freedom and its perspective on the economic structure of the state.

   (CO3) [Comprehension]

6. Justify and evaluate the assertion that "power tends to corrupt, and absolute power tends to corrupt absolutely," attributing the statement to its originator.

   (CO4) [Application]

7. Analyze Isaiah Berlin's two notions of liberty.

   (CO1) [Application]

8. Examine Marxist, Liberal, and Feminist perspectives on State intervention in family spheres. Assess these viewpoints and justify your preference for a specific perspective, providing reasons for your choice.

(CO5) [Application]

9. Define Nationalism and analyze the major social and economic trends contributing to the emergence of ethno-religious nationalism.

(CO3) [Application]

10. Analyze the role of political ideologies in shaping governmental policies and societal values.

(CO4) [Application]