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GAUHATI UNIVERSITY
CENTRE FOR DISTANCE AND ONLINE EDUCATION

HOME ASSIGNMENT

M.A. in Political Science

Semester – II (Session: 2024-2025, July-August)

Guidelines for Submission:

1. Learners who have been admitted in the Academic Session (2024-25, July-August) will write the Home Assignment.
2. Learners should write their **Roll Number, GU Registration Number, Subject, Semester, Paper Title, Paper Code** and **Name of the Study Center** clearly on the first page of the answer script in the space provided.
3. The formats of the answer scripts are available at, and can be downloaded from, the GUCDOE website (www.gucdoe.in).
4. There will be 2 (two) compulsory questions in each paper, and each question will have options (Total Marks: 2 questions × 10 marks = 20 marks).
5. **Typed/Computerized answers will not be accepted.** Learners will write the answers neatly in their own handwriting.
6. Answer to a 10 mark question should not exceed 400 words.
7. Learners should not submit any plagiarized answers as such a practice is deemed to be unfair.
8. Learners of different Study Centers under GUCDOE will mandatorily submit the answer scripts at their respective Study Centers.
9. Learners of GUCDOE center will submit their answer scripts at GUCDOE Office.
10. **Last Date of Submission : 22nd September, 2025.**

PAPER: PSC 2016 (Political Theory - I)

Answer the following questions

2 x 10 = 20

Q. No. 1. Define political theory. Trace the growth of political theory.

4 + 6 = 10

OR

Write a note on decline of political theory.

10

Q. No. 2. Discuss various theories of origin of state.

10

OR

Critically discuss Austin's theory of sovereignty.

10

PAPER: PSC 2026 (Politics in India)

Answer the following questions

2 x 10 = 20

Q. No. 1. Define the concept of Indian Secularism. What are the key constitutional provisions that guarantee secularism in India?

4 + 6 = 10

OR

Write a note on Indian nationhood with special emphasis on its changing trend. **10**

Q. No. 2. Examine critically the nature of Indian Federalism. **10**

OR

Discuss the provisions of the Fifth Schedule and Sixth Schedule of Indian Constitution from a comparative perspective. **10**

PAPER: PSC 2036 (International Relations - II)

Answer the following questions **2 x 10 = 20**

Q. No. 1. Discuss the concept of Power with special reference to the Balance of Power. **10**

OR

Discuss about the different dimensions of Globalization, throwing light on the challenges to State Sovereignty. **10**

Q. No. 2. Discuss the meaning, functions and types of Diplomacy. **10**

OR

Peacekeeping is one of the major ways which helps UN to maintain peace and security. Discuss the different parameters of Peace Keeping Operations in the light of the above statement. **10**

PAPER: PSC 2046 (Public Administration II)

Answer the following questions **2 x 10 = 20**

Q. No. 1. What is Rationality in Public Administration? Discuss Herbert Simon's concept of Bounded Rationality. **10**

OR

Discuss the meaning and need of Efficiency in administration. Do you think that the concepts of transparency, accountability, efficiency and good governance are closely linked? Discuss. **10**

Q. No. 2. Discuss the Meaning and Causes of Administrative Corruption with special reference to Administrative Corruption in India. **10**

OR

What is Globalization? Discuss the impact of Globalization on Public Administration. **10**

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