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# GAUHATI UNIVERSITY CENTRE FOR DISTANCE AND ONLINE EDUCATION

#### **HOME ASSIGNMENT**

M.A. in Political Science

Semester - III (Session: 2023-2024, January)

#### **Guidelines for Submission:**

- 1. Learners who have been admitted in the Academic Session (2023-24, January) will write the Home Assignment.
- 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 3016 (Political Theory - II)

**Answer the following questions** 

 $2 \times 10 = 20$ 

Q. No. 1. Discuss critically Robert Nozick's Entitlement theory.

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OR

Write a note on the concepts of positive liberty and negative liberty as discussed by Isaiah Berlin.

Q. No. 2. Critically examine Rawls theory of Justice.

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OR

What do you mean by civil society? Discuss the dominant perspective on civil society. 2 + 8 = 10

#### PAPER: PSC 3026 (Research Methodology I)

Answer the following questions

 $2 \times 10 = 20$ 

**Q. No. 1.** Define research. Analyse the characteristics of research.

4 + 6 = 10

OR

What is scientific method? Examine the components of scientific method. 5 + 5 = 10

OR
Examine the key ethical principles in research. 10
PAPER: PSC 3046 (Indian Foreign Pollcy)
Answer the following questions $2 \times 10 = 20$
<b>Q. No. 1.</b> Write a note on the historical and ideological factors that helped in shaping the origin of India's foreign policy. $10$
OR
Examine the role of Jawaharlal Nehru in shaping India's foreign policy. 10
Q. No. 2. What is non-alignment movement? Assess India's role in non-alignment movement. $5 + 5 = 10$
OR
Discuss India's role in the EU.
PAPER: PSC 3056 (Gender and Politics)
Answer the following questions: $2 \times 10 = 20$
<b>Q. No. 1.</b> Differentiate between Sex and gender. Discuss critically the concept of gender as a social construct. $3 + 7 = 10$
OR
What do you mean by Gender gap in work? What are the key features of gender gap? $3 + 7 = 10$
Q. No. 2. Examine the provisions for womens' rights in Indian Constitution.  OR
Critically evaluate the role of gender norms in affecting the health of women. 10
PAPER: PSC 3066 (Comparative Public Administration)
Answer the following questions: $2 \times 10 = 20$
Q. No. 1. Discuss the meaning, characteristic features and scope of Comparative Public Administration.
OR
Make a critical appreciation of the Ecological Approach to the study of Comparative Public Administration.
Q. No. 2. Make a comparative analysis of the salient features of the administrative systems of UK and USA.
OR
What is Administrative Reform? Discuss the various steps or measures taken towards Administrative Reforms in India from time to time.  10

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Q. No. 2. Write a note on objectivity in social science research.

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### ASNWERSCRIPT FOR HOME ASSIGNMENT

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