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MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2025

(1st Year, 1st Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE WITH INTERNATIONAL
RELATIONS

PAPER : IR/PG/1.3

(Politics in India)

Time : 2 Hours

Full Marks : 30

1. Answer *any three* from the following questions : 5×3=15

- (a) In what sense is caste an ascribed identity?
- (b) Write a short note on Buddhism's 'lost history' in India.
- (c) Point out the major weaknesses in the functioning of pressure groups in India.
- (d) Identify any two key characteristics of the state in contemporary India.
- (e) Highlight the key elements of the subaltern approach to the study of Indian politics.

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2. Answer *any one* from the following questions : 15×1=15

- (a) Discuss the changing nature of federalism in India.
- (b) In the light of contemporary developments analyse the nature of coalition politics in India.
- (c) "Caste hierarchy and gender hierarchy are the organising principles of the Brahmanical social order." Do you agree with this view? Give reasons for your answer.

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