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**TEZPUR UNIVERSITY**

**SEMESTER END EXAMINATION (Spring, 2024)**

**MASOD/MSO 202: Political Sociology**

**Full Marks: 70 Time: 3 hours**

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks for the individual question*

**1. Answer the following questions (2x5=10)**

1. In which theoretical perspective State is viewed as an instrument facilitating the domination of the ruling class?
2. Who has introduced the idea of ‘circulation of the elite’?
3. Name the book authored by M K Gandhi which presents a critique of the western civilisation model.
4. Which Constitutional Amendment Act of the Indian Constitution deals with the local self-governing bodies in rural areas?
5. Name the concept used by Vilfredo Pareto to explain the rule of few over the masses.

**2. Answer any four questions (4x5=20)**

1. Examine the meaning of the concept of civil society.
2. Discuss the problem of communalism in Indian society
3. Examine the Liberal Theory of Power.
4. What is the significance of interest groups and pressure groups in a plural society?
5. What is the meaning of the concept of patriarchy?

**3. Answer any four questions (4x10=40)**

1. Examine the significance of the relation between caste and politics in Indian society.
2. Discuss Max Weber’s formulation of authority and its significance in defining the scope of political sociology.
3. Explain the relevance of Marxist perspective in making sense of power relations in contemporary society.
4. Explain the significance of regional politics in shaping the political discourse in India.
5. What kind of shifts can be seen in the administrative structure of Indian state through the introduction of Panchayati Raj Institutions?

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