

IAS Mains Political Science 1997

Paper I

Section A

1. Comment on any three of the following in about 200 words each:
 - a. Sin, therefore is the mother of servitude, and first cause of man's subjection to men (St. Augustine).
 - b. Whoever therefore out of a State of Nature united into a Commonwealth must be understood to give up all the Power necessary to the Ends for which they united into Society, to the majority of the Community (Locke).
 - c. Laws are any necessary relations arising from the nature of a thing (Montesquieu).
 - d. It is not the consciousness of men that determine their being, but, on the contrary, their social being determines their consciousness (Marx).
2. Discuss the importance of the Systems Theory in modern political analysis.
3. Examine the nature and limits of the rights of Resistance and Revolution recognized in modern political theory.
4. Discuss the philosophical basis of doctrine of popular sovereignty, and its significance for mankind.

Section B

5. Comment on any THREE of the following in about 200 words each:
 - a. Process of Political socialisation in Afro-Asian societies
 - b. Jinnah's two-nation theory
 - c. Political Dimensions of Development Administration
 - d. Minority Government in India.
6. Discuss the patterns of legislative-executive relationship prevalent in the world today. What factors and forces have enabled the executive to overpower the legislature, in most countries.
7. The origins of the Indian political system are rooted in the history of British India. Comment.
8. Discuss the role and limits of the Indian Parliament in check-mating political corruption, with special reference to the Bofors payoff and the Securities scams.