MAY 2025 **P/ID 4443/PGE4K**

Time : Three hours Maximum : 80 marks

PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer any TEN questions in 50 words each.

1. Mention any two key topics studied in political geography.

2. State the main focus of the spatial approach in political geography.

3. What are the physical elements of a state in political geography?

4. Give two examples of human elements influencing a state.

5. Distinguish between frontiers and boundaries.

6. What are the main types of political boundaries?

7. Name two major choke points in the Indian Ocean.

8. What is SAARC?

9. Which Indian states require an 'Inner Line Permit'?

10. Mention two key recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission.

11. Mention two challenges faced by federalism in India.

12. Give two examples of centrifugal forces in India.

PART B — (5 × 6 = 30 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions in 250 words each.

13. Define political geography and explain its nature.

14. How do physical elements influence the formation and stability of a state?

15. What are the key features of Indian federalism?

16. Explain the core-periphery concept in political geography.

17. Discuss the role of the Indian Ocean in global trade and security.

18. How has the political map of India changed since independence?

19. Discuss the major factors contributing to political stability and instability in India.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions in 500 words each.

20. Discuss the nature, scope, and significance of political geography in understanding global political patterns.

21. Analyse the impact of human elements, including population distribution, culture. and etinicity, on the political stability and governance of a state.

22. Analyse the process of nation-building with examples. What challenges do multi-ethnic and multi-linguistic states face in achieving national unity?

23. Discuss the role of centripetal and centrifugal forces in shaping India's unity and diversity. Provide examples to support your arguments.

24. Discuss the impact of globalization on India's political geography. How has economic liberalization influenced regional disparities and political dynamics?

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