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LEVEL 2: 1st SEMESTER
FINAL EXAMINATION
DSC2811 – ELEMENTS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE



Date: 04th June 2022

Time: 01.30pm - 04.30pm

Instructions:

1. Answer only **Five (05)** questions.
2. Each question carries 20 Marks.
3. This question paper consists of **Nine (09)** questions.

01. Discuss the importance of the study of Political Science as a citizen.

Or

Discuss the scope and nature of Political Science as an academic discipline.

02. Explain how the State and Society differ from each other.

03. "Politics is everywhere". Discuss with examples.

04. What are the elements of Democracy as a form of Government?

Or

Why do societies tend to resist authoritarianism as against democracy?

05. Explain the **purposes** of a constitution, and the **types** of constitutions with examples.

06. What are the criticisms against the Executive Presidency in Sri Lanka's Constitution?

Analyze.

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07. Briefly discuss the major stages in the process of political reforms in Ceylon in establishing a democratic political system?

08. In your understanding, what are the differences between the current and the old Left Movements of Sri Lanka? Discuss.

09. Write Short Note on any **two (02)** of the following topics.

- a. 19th Amendment to the Constitution of Sri Lanka
- b. Separation of Powers
- c. State
- d. Federal Constitution
- e. Power
- f. Socialism

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