

MASTER OF ARTS (PUBLIC POLICY)

Term-End Examination

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MPP-001 : PUBLIC POLICY FRAMEWORK

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Answer any **seven** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Your answers should not exceed 400 words each.

1. The Policy Cycle approach is a useful framework to understand public policy. Comment. 10
2. How does the Normative-Optimum Model of policy making differ from the Incrementalist and Rational Models ? Explain. 10
3. Describe the various models of inter-governmental relations. Which according to you is the most applicable in the Indian context ? 10
4. The Planning Commission is anachronistic in a fast-developing market-based economy. Critically analyze the statement with reference to some of the recent developments regarding the status of the Planning Commission. 10

5. The increasing importance of the Prime Minister's Office in India represents a *de facto* transition towards a quasi-presidential form of government. Do you agree? 10
 6. "An assertive civil society will increasingly set policy agendas in a democracy." Examine the statement in the Indian context. 10
 7. Evaluate the role of international organizations in influencing policy-making in India. Illustrate your answer with suitable examples. 10
 8. Discuss the envisioned role of the bureaucracy in the craft of public policy. 10
 9. Outline the various approaches to policy monitoring and highlight the major constraints in effective monitoring of policies. 10
 10. What are the main criteria that should influence policy evaluation? What are the constraints that may impede effective policy evaluation? 10
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