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**Question Bank (2016- 17)
Fourth Paper (Elective)
PSE: SE 44: Comparative Government and Politics**

UNITWISE LONG ANSWER QUESTION CARRYING 12 MARKS

Q. Elaborately discuss the various sources of British Constitution (2016)

Or

Discuss the salient features of the cabinet system in Britain and examine the causes for its growth as the most powerful body (2016)

Q. "One of the most remarkable phenomenon of modern political development has been the security of the British Kingship" In the light of this statement discuss the importance of monarchy in British political system.

Or

Examine the powers and position of the British prime minister in relation to the monarch, the cabinet and the House of Commons (2017)

Unit 2

Q. Discuss the main characteristics of the federal system of the United States of America. Is it completely free from a general trend towards centralization? (2016)

Or

Describe the factors which account for an enormous increase in the power of the president of the United States of America (2016)

Q. Explain the 'separation of powers' and "check and balance" as impotent component of the federal structures of the United States of America

Or

“The American President is the most powerful executive in the world” Discuss the powers and position of the president of the United States of America in the light of the said statement (2017)

Unit 3

Q. Does the emperor of Japan really rule the country? Discuss the powers and position of the emperor of Japan (2016)

Or

“The house of representatives enjoys extensive powers in the Diet” Elaborate. (2016)

Q. Examine the Basic characteristics of the Showa Constitution of Japan (1947) in the context of the existing political system of the country.

Or

How is the Japanese Prime minister appointed? Discuss the powers enjoyed by the prime minister in the political set up of Japan. (2017)

Unit 4

Q. Examine the powers and function of the Standing Committee of the National People’s Congress of China. What position does it actually enjoy in the country’s political system? (2016)

Or

Discuss the salient features associated with the nature of china’s political system (2016)

Q. Why is the National People’s Congress considered the highest organ of the state power in China? Describe its powers and function

Or

Do you think that the state council of People’s Republic of China is the real executive body of the state? Elaborate your answer with special reference to its composition and function (2017)

Unit 5

Q. Examine the working of direct democracy in Switzerland with special reference to the various techniques adopted. (2016)

Or

Elaborate the salient features of the Federal Assembly of Switzerland. (2016)

Q. Discuss the salient features of the Swiss Federation

Or

How is possible for direct democracy to work effectively in Switzerland? Elucidate your answer with reference to the tools of direct democracy applied in the country. (2017)

UNITWISE SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS CARRYING 5 MARKS

Unit 1

- a. "The Sovereignty of Parliament resides in the house of Commons". Briefly discuss the mentioned statement. (2016)
- b. State briefly state the powers of the house of Lords (2017)

Unit 2

- a. Name the two major political parties of the United States of America and write a brief note on their role in the country. (2016)
- b. . Write a note on the superior position of the Senate in the Congress of the United States of America (2017)

Unit 3

- a. Explain briefly the distinct features of the party system in Japan (2016)
- b. Describe the main characteristic of the party system in Japan.

Unit 4

- a. Write a brief note on Mao's Cultural Revolution. (2016)
- b. Discuss briefly the role of the Standing Committee in the Chinese Political System. (2017)

Unit 5

- a. Make a brief critical assessment of the federalism as a practice in Switzerland. (2016)
- b. Describe the powers of the federal Assembly of Switzerland. (2017)

UNITWISE VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTION CARRYING 3 MARKS

Unit 1

- a. "The king is dead, long live the king" What is the idea behind this proposition in the context of the British Political system. (2016)
- b. Write a brief note on the Conservative Party of Britain (2017)

Unit 2

- a. What is Filibustering in the United States of America? (2016)
- b. State briefly the role of the Supreme Court of the United States of America as the guardian of the country's constitution as well as its federal structure. (2017)

Unit 3

- a. What is the position of the prime Minister in Japanese Diet? (2016)
- b. Mention any three legislative powers of the Emperor of Japan (2017)

Unit 4

- a. Mention any three executive powers of the Chairman of the People's Republic of China. (2016)
- b. Why is Mao's Cultural Revolution considered as an inseparable part of the Chinese political system? (2017)

Unit 5

- a. Write very briefly the working style of the political parties in Switzerland. (2016)
- b. Do you agree with the view that the political parties in Switzerland play a less important role than those in Britain or the United States? (2017)

