UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL
B.A. Honours Part-II Examination, 2020

POLITICAL SCIENCE

PAPER-IV

COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Time Allotted: 2 Hours   Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

GROUP-A

FIRST HALF

Answer any *one* question   15×1 = 15

1.	What is Comparative Politics? Discuss the nature and scope of comparative politics.	4+11
2.	What are Conventions? Examine the role of Conventions in the British Constitutional System. Why are Conventions obeyed?	4+6+5
3.	Explain the principle of 'Separation of Powers' in the Constitution of the USA. Is the doctrine of Separation of Powers tenable in the USA?	5+10
4.	What is 'judicial review'? To what extent it is applicable in the working of the US Constitution?	5+10
5.	Discuss the composition, powers and position of the National People's Congress of the Peoples' Republic of China (PRC).	4+6+5

SECOND HALF

Answer any *one* question   15×1 = 15

6.	Discuss the powers and position of the British crown. Examine the reasons for the survival of monarchy in Great Britain.	6+4+5
7.	Examine the powers and functions of the President of the USA. Add reasons for its growth in recent times.	11+4

8. Compare and contrast between the powers and position of the Speaker of the House of Commons in the UK and the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the USA. 15

9. Discuss the composition, power and constitutional position of the State Council of China. 4+7+4

10. What do you mean by direct democracy? Critically evaluate the working of direct democracy in Switzerland. 4+11

GROUP-B

11. Write short notes on any *four* of the following: 5×4 = 20

   (a) Parliamentary form of Government

   (b) Dicey's 'Rule of Law'

   (c) US Senate

   (d) 'Kitchen Cabinet' of USA

   (e) Democratic Centralism in China

   (f) Bill of Rights in the USA

   (g) Procurator – General of China

   (h) Salient features of Russian Constitution.

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