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ENGLISH

(Major)

Course : 503

(**Great European Thinkers**)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32/24

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer any *eight* of the following : 1×8=8

(a) In Chapter-18 of *The Prince*, Machiavelli suggests that a prince should have the qualities of two animals in him, one is that of a fox, what is the other?

(b) What is the Indian counterpart of Machiavelli's *The Prince*?

(c) Who is Louis XII?

(d) When was the edition of Locke's *Essay Concerning Human Understanding* published with the author's note and observations?

(e) "The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggle."
This is an extract from which book?

- (f) When was Rousseau's *The Social Contract* first published?
- (g) In which language was *The Social Contract* originally written?
- (h) Who co-authored *The Communist Manifesto* along with Marx?
- (i) In which language was *The Communist Manifesto* originally written?
- (j) What, according to Rousseau, is the first model of political societies?

UNIT—I

2. Answer any one of the following :

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- (a) What does Machiavelli suggest in Chapter-18 of *The Prince* for a ruler to win the confidence of his subjects?
- (b) What should a ruler do in order to avoid being despised by his subjects as discussed in Machiavelli's *The Prince*?
- (c) According to Machiavelli, how should a ruler manage the affairs of mixed principalities?

UNIT—II

3. Answer any one of the following :

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- (a) Examine Locke's theory of imperfections of language as enumerated in Ch-IX, Book-II of *Essays Concerning Human Understanding*.

- (b) "First, One for the recording of our own thoughts. Secondly, The other for the communicating of our thoughts to others." Elucidate the idea of Locke on the use of language.
- (c) "As to communication by words, that too has a double use : Civil and Philosophical." Elaborate.

UNIT—III

4. Answer any one of the following :

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- (a) "Man is born free, and everywhere he is in chains." Elaborate the idea of the individual and society as enumerated in Rousseau's *The Social Contract*.
- (b) What is Rousseau's view on the 'Right of the Strongest' as discussed in *The Social Contract*?
- (c) "The problem is to find a form of association which will defend and protect with the whole common force the person and goods of each associate, and in which each, while uniting himself with all, may still obey himself alone, and remain as free as before." Elaborate on Rousseau's idea of man's relation to society.

UNIT—IV

5. Answer any *one* of the following : 14
- (a) Why does Marx link history to class struggle? Is it a universal phenomenon? Discuss.
 - (b) "The need of a constantly expanding market for its products chases the bourgeoisie over the entire surface of the globe. It must nestle everywhere, settle everywhere, establish connections everywhere." Comment on the role played by the bourgeoisie as enumerated in *The Communist Manifesto*.
 - (c) How does Marx explain human character in terms of economic determinism in *The Communist Manifesto*?
6. Answer any *four* of the following : 4×4=16
- (a) Briefly state Rousseau's view on sovereignty.
 - (b) Which class is referred to as the 'dangerous class' by Marx and why?
 - (c) Discuss in brief Locke's concept of 'arbitrary imposition' of ideas on words.
 - (d) Briefly discuss Rousseau's idea on liberty as enumerated in *The Social Contract*.
 - (e) Write a short note on slavery as discussed in *The Social Contract*.
