

**Semester: 5**

**PSC 3rd year**

**Name of the Paper: Western Political Philosophy**

**Question Bank**

1. Examine Plato's theory of Forms and its implications for his conception of the ideal state.
2. Discuss Aristotle's doctrine of the mean and its application to political virtues.
3. Analyze Machiavelli's distinction between politics and morality. Was he justifying immoral means for political ends?
4. Elaborate on Hobbes' Leviathan state. How does absolute sovereignty solve the problem of anarchy?
5. Compare Locke's limited government with Rousseau's general will. Which provides better protection for individual liberty?
6. Critically evaluate J.S. Mill's utilitarianism and its critique of higher and lower pleasures.
7. Discuss Marx's alienation theory and its relationship to capitalist mode of production.
8. Analyze Hegel's master-slave dialectic and its significance for understanding historical progress.