**TU/CDOE**

**TEZPUR UNIVERSITY**

**SEMESTER END EXAMINATION (AUT21 & SPR22)**

**MSO/MASOD 202: POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY**

**Full Marks: 70 Time: 3 hours**

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks for the individual question*

1. Answer the following questions 2x5=10

1. Who has defined Political Sociology as the study of power in its social context?
2. Which Amendment Act has introduced provisions of local self-government for the urban areas in the Constitution of India?
3. Who has defined Indian state in terms of a weak-strong State?
4. Who is credited with formulation of the theory of circulation of elite?
5. Which theoretical perspective views power in terms of relations of exploitation?

2. Answer **any four** of the following questions in not more than 200

words: 5x4=20

1. Define power and authority using ideas of Max Weber.
2. Examine the meaning of the concept of civil society.
3. Explain the main arguments of the Marxist theory of State.
4. What is the significance of interest groups and pressure groups in a plural society?
5. Discuss the role of language-based identity movement in India?
6. Discuss the nature of agrarian politics in Indian context.

3. Write answers for the following questions in not more than 500

words: 10x4=40

1. Examine the Foucauldian theory of power. How does it differ from traditional approaches to power?
2. How would you explain the extent and nature of communal conflicts in India?

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1. Discuss the key features of party system in India.
2. Critically examine the role of Panchayati Raj Institutions in India in strengthening the democratic decentralization of society.
3. What are the key contributions of the Neo-Marxist scholars in political sociology?
4. Examine the nature and trajectory of Dalit politics in the context of India.

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