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NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, JODHPUR

End Term Examination Nov-2023

Semester: UG V

Subject: Political Science III (International Relations)

Time 3 Hours

Marks: 100

INSTRUCTIONS

1. *Attempt any five questions.*
2. *All Questions carry equal marks*
3. *Follow the examination protocol*

Q.1 Imagine a situation where two neighboring countries, Country X and Country Y, share borders and are in a long-standing dispute over access to a strategically important river that flows between their territories. Both countries rely heavily on the river for agriculture, transportation, and energy production. They have been engaged in occasional skirmishes and diplomatic negotiations over the years but have not reached a lasting agreement. Explaining game theory in detail, use its concepts to analyze the potential strategies and outcomes for Country X and Country Y in resolving their dispute over the river access and the key factors and considerations that each country should take into account while deciding their actions in this game of international relations. (Marks 20)

Q.2 In the field of International Relations, scholars often use different levels of analysis to examine and understand the complex interactions among states and other actors in the international system. These levels of analysis provide a framework for analyzing international events, conflicts, and cooperation, and scholars often use them in combination to provide a more comprehensive understanding. What are the commonly used levels of analysis in international relations and how they enrich our understanding of complex international dynamics? (Marks 20)

Q.3 China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) has gained significant attention as a prominent example of the use of soft power in international relations. This ambitious infrastructure development and investment strategy aims to enhance regional connectivity and promote economic cooperation among countries spanning Asia, Europe, Africa, and beyond. While the BRI has been widely seen as a manifestation of China's growing global influence, its implementation has raised questions about the efficacy of soft power in shaping international relations. Understanding the nuances of this power tool is crucial in deciphering the evolving dynamics of power relations in contemporary international arena. Analyze and discuss the multifaceted dimensions of soft power tool and how does it contribute to the power objectives of

a state. What are the key challenges and opportunities associated with its implementation and are there any alternatives to it from an international perspective? (Marks 10+10=20)

Q.4 To what extent does India's foreign policy reflect its aspirations to become a leading global power how India's foreign policy priorities have shifted in response to emerging global challenges? Examine the key principles that form the foundation of India's foreign policy, and how have they evolved over the years? (Marks 20)

Q.5 Identifying the period of reduced tension or hostility between the United States and the Soviet Union during the Cold War and discuss the key events associated with negotiations, treaties, and arms control agreements with efforts to promote cooperation and dialogue between the superpowers. Also analyze why this period of détente was not without challenges and controversies, and why it eventually came to an end in the late 1970s, giving way to renewed tensions and the escalation of the Cold War before its eventual conclusion in the early 1990s. (Marks 10+10=20)

Q.6 Write short notes on the following (Marks 10+10=20)

i. Classical Realism and its relevance in modern world

ii. The birth of Nuclear age and Weapons of Mass Destruction