

Please answer all four questions. Each question carries twenty marks and the break-up for each specific query is given in parentheses. Please structure your answers for which you might want to use a page for ordering your thoughts while keeping an eye on the time.

Question 1

Write short responses to the following questions.

- 1.1. What is the social contract theory? (2) Why does the State become necessary according to the *Leviathan* of Thomas Hobbes? (2) What is the purpose of government according to John Locke in his *Second treatise of government*? (2)
- 1.2. List out two distinguishing characteristics and one illustrative example for each of the three ideologies: Liberalism, Socialism and Anarchism (9)
- 1.3. What is alienation? (1) How do the State and the clock (time) alienate human beings? (4)

Question 2

- 2.1. Explain Jean-Jacques Rousseau's views on inequality under the following rubrics: differences between natural and political inequality; (2) the relationship between civilization and inequality; (5) and the emergence of vices. (3)
- 2.2. How do the workers -according to the *Communist Manifesto* of Marx and Engels- transit from being individual labourers into a revolutionary class and what is the purpose of this transition? (10)

Question 3

In the early part of this course we looked at a schematic representation of the ideological and repressive apparatuses of the State. But, social and political oppression is far more complex than that schematic representation. Many of us may even be part of this system while recognizing that it is oppressive. The experiences of the 20th century and the early years of the present century demonstrate that the solution of abolishing the market, the economy and the State through a violent revolution or otherwise is perhaps no longer feasible. The available alternative seems to be a democratic welfare state that is susceptible to the demands of politically motivated, non-violent protest groups including conscience-objectors, who break unjust laws non-violently. Is this analysis valid? If yes, substantiate your views with two examples. If you disagree with this analysis, explain your reasons. (20)

