

CENTRE STATE RELATIONS

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS: 50

Answer ANY FIVE questions. Each carries TEN marks.

(5 x 10 = 50)

- I. "Cooperative federalism needs cooperation not just between Centre and States but also between State and State". Discuss the statement in the light of constitutional framework in India and United States of America on interstate relations.
- II. What do you understand by the term federalism? Is Constitution of India truly federal? Give suggestions to overhaul constitutional provisions relating to Centre State relations.
- III. Critically examine the borrowing powers of the Centre and states under the provisions of the Constitution of India compared with the other federal constitutions.
- IV. "The power under Article 356 should be used very sparingly and only when President is fully satisfied that a situation has arisen where the government of the state cannot be carried on in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution". Examine the scope of judicial review upon the proclamation issued by the President of India under Article 356 of the Constitution.
- V. Discuss in detail the mechanisms for solving intergovernmental conflicts under the scheme of Constitution of India.
- VI. Critically examine the provisions for fiscal relationship between Government of India and States and suggestions of various commission reports on Centre State Relations.
- VII. "The exercise of powers, legislative and executive, in the allotted field is hedged in by the numerous restrictions, so that the powers of the states are not co-ordinate with the Union and are not in many respects independent". Comment.
- VIII. Answer ANY TWO of the following:
 - a. Inter-State Council
 - b. Inter-State Water Dispute
 - c. Devolution of funds to Local bodies
