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[The figure in the margin indicates full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.]

Group-A

(Multiple Choice Type Question)

1 x 15=15

1. *Choose the correct alternative from the following :*

(i) Recall the first amendment to the Constitution of the USA.

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| a) The Articles of Confederation. | b) The inalienable rights. |
| c) The Declaration of Independence | d) The Bill of Rights |

(ii) Which country has a federal government system ?

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| a) France | b) United States |
| c) China | d) United Kingdom |

(iii) Choose the primary characteristic of a federal government system.

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| a) Power is centralized with the central government | b) Power is divided between the central government and local governments |
| c) Power is shared between the executive and legislative branches | d) Power is concentrated in the hands of a single individual |

(iv) Name a country that has a unitary form of government.

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| a) United States | b) Germany |
| c) France | d) Canada |

(v) Recall the potential disadvantage of a federal government system.

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| a) Local governments may have too much power | b) The central government may have too much power |
| c) The system may be too complex to administer | d) The system may not provide enough diversity in policy-making |

(vi) Choose the correct option. _____ is the primary focus of comparative law.

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| a) The enforcement of laws within a single jurisdiction | b) The systematic study of similarities and differences between legal systems |
| c) The creation of international laws | d) The regulation of customary law |

(vii) Identify the two levels of government in Canadian federalism.

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| a) Federal and provincial | b) Federal and territorial |
| c) Provincial and municipal | d) Federal and municipal |

- (viii) Identify the level of government in Canada that is responsible for areas such as education, health care, and transportation.
- Federal government
 - Provincial government
 - Territorial government
 - Municipal government
- (ix) Identify the role of the Supreme Court of Canada in the federal system.
- To interpret and enforce the Constitution
 - To administer the federal government
 - To oversee provincial governments
 - To implement foreign policy
- (x) Recall the main function of the Legislative branch in the UK.
- To make and pass laws
 - To enforce laws
 - To interpret laws
 - To resolve disputes between citizens
- (xi) Select the benefit of having an ombudsman in India.
- Strengthening democracy and good governance
 - Reducing government transparency and accountability
 - Creating obstacles for businesses and investors
 - Encouraging corruption and nepotism
- (xii) Select the role of the ombudsman in the UK.
- To make laws
 - To enforce laws
 - To investigate complaints against government bodies
 - To advise the government on policy matters
- (xiii) Select the state where unitary form of government is practiced.
- India
 - China
 - USA
 - Canada
- (xiv) Select the title of the highest political official in a US state.
- Governor
 - Lieutenant Governor
 - Senate President
 - Chief of Police
- (xv) Select the conceptual meaning of the amendment from the followings.
- An addition (to the Constitution).
 - The Preamble to the Constitution
 - An introduction
 - The beginning of the Declaration of Independence.

Group-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

3 x 5=15

- Explain the procedure of amendment of Constitution of India. (3)
- Interpret how the Separation of Powers in USA actually subsists. (3)
- Identify the basic conditions of the Federalism. (3)
- Examine the role of Lokpal in India. (3)
- Analyze the role of Congress in the amendment process of the Constitution. (3)

OR

- Analyze the process for amending the Constitution of the United States. (3)

Group-C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

5 x 6=30

- Explain how Chinese government is a unitary government. (5)
- Define External and Internal Separation of Powers. (5)
- Explain the characteristics of federalism with one case study. (5)
- Explain the basic prerequisites of the Parliamentary Government. (5)
- Imagine a scenario where a national health crisis requires uniform legislation across states, but some states resist implementation citing local autonomy. Analyze how the federal systems in the USA and India would handle this conflict, highlighting key differences in their approaches to cooperative versus dual federalism. (5)
- Evaluate the significance of the supremacy of the Constitution in relation to federal state. (5)

Explain the Judicial System of China.

OR

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