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Fourth Semester M.A. Degree Examination, July 2013 Branch: Sociology (2008 Admission Onwards)

SO 243 B: LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS AND SOCIETY

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART - A

Answer all questions in approximately half a page. (10×1.5=15 Marks)

Explain the following:

- 1. Grama Sabha
- 2. Weaker section
- 3. Democratic decentralization
- 4. Panchayati raj
- 5. Ombudsman
- 6. Federalism
- 7. Civil society
- 8. Constitutional amendments
- 9. Local self governments
- 10. Good governance.

PART-B

Answer any two questions from any two different sets in not more than 600 words each. (2×6=12 Marks)

11. Implications of Ashok Mehta Committe.

OR

Explain the salient features of Kerala Panchayati Raj.

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12. Role of different agencies in strengthening LSGIs.

OR

Special features of Kerala Municipal Act.

13. Write a short note on Kerala experiences of People's Planning.

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Importance and functions of Ombudsman.

14. Highlights the major breakthrough of Kerala Panchayati Raj.

OR

Compare the functioning of LSGIs in Kerala with any other state.

PART-C

Answer any two questions in not more than 1200 words each.

(2×24=48 Marks)

- 15. Write an essay on social, economic and legal perspectives of Local Self Government Institutions.
- 16. Discuss the salient features of Kerala Panchayati Raj Act.
- 17. Explain the present condition of Panchayati Raj institutions and major recommendations of various committees.
- 18. Critically analyse the role and functions of different formal and non-formal agencies for strengthening LSGIs.