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**PS 8115- Contemporary Debates in India’s Political System**

*This paper has two pages and three parts*

**Time: 2 ½ hours Max Marks 70**

**PART A**

**Answer the following MANDATORY questions within 25 words (2X10=20 marks)**

1. Mention two differences between Parliamentary and Presidential form of governments.
2. How do states find equal representation in the US unlike India?
3. Which party was the precursor to Bharatiya Janata Party? Give a reason for its eventual collapse.
4. List two regional parties in Uttar Pradesh that have challenged the national parties.
5. Under Chandrasekhar Singh, which coalition government was formed in 1990 and which major party extended its support to it?
6. What are the different types of pressure groups in a democracy like India?
7. Give two fallouts of the politicization of bureaucracy.
8. Enlist two electoral reforms introduced in India since independence.
9. What is the institutional mechanism to deal with issues of corruption in government offices?
10. Identify two major challenges to national integration.

**PART B**

**Answer any TWO of the following three questions within 250 words (2X10=20 marks)**

1. Using the Social Cleavages theory, explain the rise of BJP in India.
2. Do you think Media is one of the important avenues of forming public opinion? Give suitable examples to bolster your argument.
3. Identify any three major problems in Indian electoral system. How did the Indrajit Gupta Committee proposed to address that?

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**PART C**

**Answer any TWO of the following three questions within 450 words (2X15= 30 marks)**

1. Highlight the different strategies adopted by pressure groups in a democracy like India.
2. Elaborate the difference between the Indian and US federal system by providing at least three criteria.
3. What do you understand by sub-regional movements? Analyse their diverse nature by providing three examples.