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Maximum Marks: 50	Examination: ETE Exam	Date: 17-01-2025
Duration: 3 Hrs		
Programme code: 01	Class: SY	Semester/Trimester: V
Programme: MBA Business Economics (Minor)		
College: K. J. Somaiya Institute of Management	Name of the department/Section/Center: Economics	
Course Code: 217P01M535	Name of the Course: Public Policy	
Instructions:		
<div>1. Attempt any TWO Questions among 1 to 4. Question 5 (Short Notes) is <u>COMPULSORY</u>.</div> <div>2. Answer each question on a fresh page.</div> <div>3. Write each answer in about 40-50 lines. Write 20-25 lines for each short note.</div>		

Question No.		Max. Marks
1	<p>"A public policy is simply what government does or does not do about a problem that comes before them for consideration and possible action".</p> <p>Critically evaluate any one public issue you are familiar with that has been dealt with either by a state or the Union government in India in recent years. Your answer must cover all steps from the start to end of the policy within the standard framework of public policy formulation and implementation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Discuss the steps involved in a typical <i>policy cycle</i>. Draw a flowchart and discuss in brief the steps of the policy cycle. What challenges the government faces in preparing a concrete public document comprising inputs, outputs, and outcomes of a public policy? Take an India example of a public policy to justify your answer.</p>	20
2	<p>The episode of Ms. Durga Shakti Nagpal, IAS, while serving as Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) of Noida in Uttar Pradesh, who was assertive and took strong action against illegal sand mining, a practice that not only violated environmental regulations but also led to significant economic losses for the State. Her strict enforcement of the law, however, brought her into a direct conflict with powerful vested interests that enjoyed political patronage.</p> <p>In 2013, she was suspended on the pretext of allegedly demolishing a mosque wall, a charge later proven baseless. This incident exposed the vulnerability of honest officers who, despite acting within the ambit of the law, often face punitive actions such as transfers, suspensions, and false allegations. Such cases highlight the systemic issue of political interference undermining the autonomy and morale of civil servants.</p> <p>In India, list out and briefly discuss any four factors that have been leading to a poor implementation of many public policies.</p>	20
3	<p>Referring to the interview of Dr. KP Krishnan IAS (Retired), Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship GoI, what typical complexities were associated for the policy makers, which require a proper coordinated approach with the highest political leadership? What was the problem Dr. Bimal Jalan as the former Governor of RBI faced relating to a crucial national economic issue, which was later sorted out? Briefly use the public policy concepts and discuss the episode.</p>	20
4	<p>Refer to the UDHR and discuss the significance of Human Rights for all humans in the world? Briefly discuss how the human rights and public policies are interconnected? Take a couple of recent developments to establish the commitment of Government of India and Supreme Court of India in the implementation of the human rights in India.</p>	20
5	<p>Write short notes on any TWO of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Government Effectiveness Index (GEI) ii. Discuss any one of the policies of GoI: Ayushman Bharat or PMJDY 	10

	<div>iii. <i>Legally coercive quality of a public policy</i></div> <div>iv. <i>Range of public policy from vital to trivial obligations</i></div>	
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