



University of Kelaniya – Sri Lanka

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Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree Second Examination (External) – 2013/14

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Faculty of Social Sciences

Political Science - POLS - E 2015

Comparative Government and Politics / Modern Government and Politics.

Answer five (05) questions only

No. of questions : 08

Time : 03 Hours.

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01. Discuss the importance of studying comparative politics.
 02. "Federal systems are based upon a compromise between unity and regional diversity" Give your opinion and examples.
 03. Discuss the classification of the executive in liberal democratic countries and mention the characteristics of executive in authoritarian states.
 04. Examine the most important functions of the legislature.
 05. Discuss the party systems in liberal democratic countries and mention the pros and cons of a dominant party system.
 06. "Political participation can be defined as citizens' activities affecting politics " comment on this statement with reference to democratic practice.
 07. Examine the types of pressure groups in democratic countries and the way they exert influence on law making.
 08. Write notes on any **two** of the followings.
 - i. Post communist states
 - ii. Comparative approach
 - iii. Head of state in parliamentary government
 - iv. Coalition government
 - v. Bicameralism
