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Second Semester M.A. Degree (CBSS – Supple./Imp.)
Examination, April 2026
(2022 to 2024 Admissions)
GOVERNANCE AND POLITICS
GAP2E04 : Technology, Society and Politics

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – A
(Paragraph)

Answer **any ten** questions.

1. Cultural globalisation.
2. Industrial revolution.
3. Post-industrial society.
4. Digitalization.
5. Knowledge economy.
6. Global networks.
7. Non-governmental organisations.
8. Technopolitics.
9. New media.
10. Surveillance.
11. Comfort revolution.
12. Populism.

(10×2=20)

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SECTION – B
(Short Essay)

Answer **any six** questions.

13. What are the primary features of the Fourth Industrial Revolution ?
14. Examine the relationship between globalization and the spread of digital technologies.
15. How does Castells differentiate between a network society and previous social formations like industrial society ?
16. Discuss the key characteristics of a post-industrial society, as proposed by Daniel Bell.
17. What does it mean to view technology as a 'social and political construction' ?
18. Examine the key benefits of technology in reducing corruption and increasing government transparency.
19. What role does sustainability play in the context of 'comfort revolutions' ?
20. How do surveillance technologies contribute to the concept of a 'deep state' ?

(6×5=30)

SECTION – C
(Essay)

Answer **any two** questions.

21. Explain how have technological advancements historically shaped societal structures and lifestyles ?
22. What does Heidegger mean by the concept of 'enframing' in his analysis of technology ?
23. What was the Arab Spring and what were its major causes ?
24. Define the concept of digital divide and explain how does it contribute to new forms of inequality ?

(2×15=30)