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.

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 low marking.

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