



**LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034**

**M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

**THIRD SEMESTER – APRIL 2023**

**PIR 3503 – ISSUES AND DYNAMICS IN WEST ASIA**

Date: 03-05-2023

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

**PART – A**

**(4x 10 = 40**

**Marks)**

**Answer any Four of the following in 400-500 words each**

1. What is *Tanzimat* Reforms? Write its impact in the Ottoman Empire.
2. Explain the main features of the rise of Arab Nationalism in West Asia.
3. Outline the British Mandate in Mesopotamia?
4. Briefly sketch the impact of Bashar Al Assad regime in Syria.
5. Trace the impact multinational military operation *Desert Storm*.
6. Assess the 1973 oil price crisis and triggering of successive global recession

**PART – B**

**(3 x 20 = 60 Marks)**

**Answer the following in 1200 words each**

7. a) Discuss in detail about the diverse ethnic and religious communities in the West Asian Region.  
(or)  
b) Enumerate the concept of Majorities and Minorities in the WANA (West Asia and North Africa) region.
8. a) How did colonial patterns differ across the West Asian region what impact did this have on WANA (West Asia and North Africa)  
(or)  
b) Highlight the impacts of the Cold War, Particularly the impacts of superpower foreign policy on regional political dynamics with special reference to Iran- Iraq War – 1980-1988.
9. a) Define War on Terror? What have been the impacts of the ‘War on Terror’ on the West Asia after 9/11 attack ?  
(or)  
b) Why is Nuclear proliferation a particularly important issue in the West Asia? How Israel justify its nuclear programme

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