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**YKT 213 – Communication, Power and Conflict**  
***[Komunikasi, Kuasa dan Konflik]***

Duration: 3 hours  
*[Masa: 3 jam]*

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Please check that this examination paper consists of **THREE** pages of printed materials before you begin the examination.

*[Sila pastikan bahawa kertas peperiksaan ini mengandungi **TIGA** muka surat yang bercetak sebelum anda memulakan peperiksaan ini.]*

Answer **THREE (3)** questions only.  
*[Jawab **TIGA (3)** soalan sahaja.]*

Each question carries 100 marks.  
*[Sumbangan markah tiap-tiap soalan ialah 100 markah.]*

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1. What are the views of liberalism and liberal democracy regarding the state and the power that an individual has? Assess their views in the context of contemporary Malaysia?

*[Apakah tanggapan pemikir liberalisme dan liberal demokrasi tentang peranan negara secara amnya dan kuasa yang ada pada individu. Nilaiakan tanggapan mereka ini dalam konteks masyarakat Malaysia masa kini.]*

2. Identify some of the first tier players in the global media and evaluate the extent of their domination in the media market. Critically assess the impact and implication of such domination in Malaysia.

*[Nyatakan perbadanan-perbadanan diperingkat pertama (first-tier) yang memiliki media antarabangsa dan nilaiakan pendominasiannya dalam pasaran media. Nilaiakan secara kritis impak dan implikasi pendominasian ini di Malaysia.]*

3. "So long as the press is conscious of itself being a potential threat to democracy and conscientiously limits the exercise of its rights, it should be allowed to function without government interference. But when the press obviously abuses its rights by unnecessarily agitating the people, then democratic governments should have a right to control it." (Mahathir 1981:19). Critically assess this statement with reference to Malaysia.

*[Selagi akhbar sedar bahawa ia berpotensi menjejaskan demokrasi and menghadkan haknya, ia boleh berfungsi tanpa sekatan daripada kerajaan. Jika akhbar menyalahgunakan hak itu dan menghasut rakyat, kerajaan demokratik berhak mengawalnya (Mahathir 1981:19). Nilaiakan kenyataan ini dengan kritis merujuk kepada keadaan di Malaysia.]*

4. According to Ermin Garcia, former head of Philippine Press Institute (quoted in Peter Eng 1999:17), the media is essential to democracy. Any attempt to muzzle or restrain it, democracy is going to die. Discuss.

*[Mengikuti Ermin Garcia, bekas ketua Philippine Press Institute (Peter Eng 1999:17) media amat penting bagi demokrasi sebuah negara. Jika media ditapis atau dikawal, demokrasi akan mati. Bincangkan.]*

5. Assess with examples, to what extent new communication technology like the Internet undermines corporate and state controls.

*[Nilai dengan contoh-contoh sejauhmanakah teknologi komunikasi baru seperti Internet dapat melemahkan kawalan korporat dan kerajaan.]*