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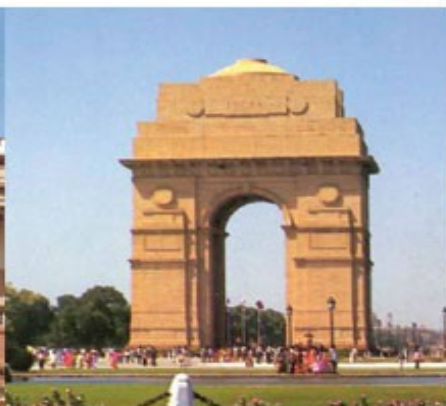
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# SOCIOLOGY

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# Previous Years Questions Papers (2001-2011)

## PAPER I -2001

### PAPER-I-2001

#### *Section A*

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Sociology as an interpretative discipline
  - (b) Manifest and latent functions
  - (c) Sources of legitimacy of power
  - (d) Emerging pattern of sex-roles in modern society
2. Explain Karl Marx's conception of class-antagonism. How have the functionalists reacted to his views?
3. What is the focus of sociological analysis in the contributions of Emile Durkheim? Give your answer with the help of any one of his contributions.
4. State the meaning and characteristics of an ideal type. What, according to Max Weber, is the use and significance of the 'ideal type' in social science research?

#### *Section B*

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Types of Exchange

- (b) Incest taboo
- (c) Informal structure of Bureaucracy
- (d) Religion and Science

6. Distinguish between the process of formal education and socialization. Examine effectivity in-formal education as an instrument of social change.
7. What social conditions cause a social movement? Explain, with illustrations, the career of a social movement.
8. Define 'social policy'. Evaluate the performance of social policy in modernization of developing societies.

## PAPER II -2001

### PAPER-II-2001

#### *Section A*

1. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Caste and Indian polity
  - (b) Poverty alleviation programmes
  - (c) Impact of West on Indian society
  - (d) Agrarian class structure in India
2. Examine the role of Arya Samaj and Ramakrishna Mission of reform movements in India.
3. What factors are responsible for the instability of the Indian family? Will the family survive the present crisis in modern

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- society?
4. What is meant by democratic decentralization? Assess the working of Panchayati Raj in India.

## **Section B**

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Education and social mobility
  - (b) Satya Sadhak Samaj
  - (c) Privatization and globalisation
  - (d) Social consequences of alcoholism and drug addiction
6. Critically evaluate the existing welfare programmes for women in India. Have they benefited all sections of women in India?
7. Explain the concept of secular state and discuss the problems of India as a secular state.
8. Elaborate the concept of political elite. Explain how social structural origins of political elites influence their political orientations.

## **PAPER I -2002**

### **PAPER-I-2002**

## **Section A**

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Sociology as a Science
  - (b) Theory and Fact
  - (c) Social mobility and social change
  - (d) Social movement and social change
2. Examine the nature of social facts as understood by Durkheim.

3. Critically examine Weber's theory of Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism.
4. Distinguish between Sex and Gender. Discuss the gender issues with suitable examples.

## **Section B**

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Industrialisation and social change
  - (b) Community power
  - (c) The sacred and the profane
  - (d) Ethos of science
6. What are the uses of Bogardus' social distance scale and of Likert scale? Discuss.
7. In what way is the process of socialisation helpful in the development of personality? Explain with suitable examples.
8. Explain Melvin Tumin's critique related to the theory of social stratification.

## **PAPER II -2002**

### **PAPER-II-2002**

## **Section A**

1. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Emergence of Dalit Consciousness
  - (b) Integration of Tribes in Hindu Culture
  - (c) Characteristics of Neo-Rich agrarian class
  - (d) Reservation and Panchayat Raj institutions
2. Discuss the metaphysical and ethical basis

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of Hindu social organisation.

3. Discuss the Louis Dumont's concept of purity and pollution. How far these concepts are relevant in explaining the Hindu Caste system?
4. Examine the ways in which Indian society can be strengthened as multi-cultural society. Is the dominance of single culture is a hinderance to multiculturalism in India?

### **Section B**

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Inequality among Brahmins
  - (b) Problems of Hindu minority in Kashmir
  - (c) Nature of atrocities on married women
  - (d) Problems of child labour in India
6. Is Secularism a weak Ideology? Critically analyse the reasons for anti-secular trends in India.
7. Examine the impact of mass media on Indian society. Whether western consumerism and materialistic culture, creeping in through mass media, are adversely affecting the traditional Indian culture?
8. Analyse the ideological and strategical features of Naxalbari movement.

## **PAPER I -2003**

### **PAPER-I-2003**

#### **Section A**

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Primary and Reference Groups
  - (b) Utility of Reliability and Validity in

Social Research

- (c) Social System and the Pattern Variables
- (d) Education and Social Development
2. Highlight the problem of objectivity and value-neutrality in Social Research. Elaborate, with suitable examples, the limitations associated with the tools of measurements in Social Science Researches.
3. Discuss the meanings and significance of culture in Human Society. Critically bring out the role of Culture in the development of personality.
4. Critically examine Max Weber's theory of the 'Protestant ethics and the spirit of the Capitalism', Could it be the otherwise possibility that the tenets of the capitalism must also have effected the emergence of the Protestant ethics? Comment with suitable examples.

#### **Section B**

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Social impact of New Technologies in India.
  - (b) Class-in-itself and Class-for-itself
  - (c) Social determinants of Economic Development
  - (d) Social Structure and Political Participation
6. Examine the conceptual distinction between social inequality and social stratification. How do the nature and forms of the social stratification system determine the patterns of social mobility?
7. Elaborate on the concepts of Family and Lineage. Discuss the relationship between Rules of descent and inheritance of property.
8. Critically analyse the concept of Anomie.

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Elaborate with suitable examples, the theoretical relationship between nature of Anomie and types of Social Deviations as have been formulated by R. K. Merton.

## PAPER II -2003

### PAPER-II-2003

#### *Section A*

1. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Caste among Muslims
  - (b) Emergence of classes among tribes
  - (c) Social consequences of green revolution
  - (d) Regionalism
2. Describe the characteristics of dominant caste. Discuss its role in village politics in India.
3. Outline the factors responsible for unrest in agrarian communities of India. What suggestions will you give to arrest this trend?
4. Discuss how occupational diversification has affected the pattern of social stratification in India.

#### *Section B*

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Educational problems of weaker sections
  - (b) Socio-cultural factors influencing infant mortality rates
  - (c) Isolation approach in tribal policy
  - (d) Social dimensions of corruption
6. Describe the socio-economic factors responsible for communal tensions in India. What suggestions will you give to control them?

7. Differentiate between pressure groups and interest groups. Describe the role of some prominent pressure groups in contemporary Indian politics.
8. Describe the process of modernization in India. Discuss the factors that have impeded this process.

## PAPER I -2004

### PAPER-I-2004

#### *Section A*

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Objectivity and Value Neutrality in Social Research
  - (b) Bureaucracy in New Capitalist Economy
  - (c) Gender Roles in Changing Structure of Family
  - (d) Class within Caste and Caste within Class
2. Give a Critical Review of Emile Durkheim's Theory on Religion and Society. To what extent does it explain the contemporary scenario in Asia?
3. 'Socialisation and social control are complementary to each other in maintaining social order.' Elucidate your answer with appropriate illustrations.
4. Briefly discuss the Conflict Perspective on social stratification and examine the view that social inequality in India is the function of rigid social stratification system.

#### *Section B*

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following (each answer should not exceed

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200 words):

- (a) Authority and Legitimacy
  - (b) Privatisation of Education and equality of Opportunity
  - (c) Science and Social Responsibility
  - (d) Ideology and Strategy of Social Movement
6. Examine in detail the impact of new global economy on work organisation and family structure in India.
  7. Examine the functional as well as dysfunctional aspects of religion in a pluralistic society taking India and the United States of America as illustrative models.
  8. Bring out a comparative analysis of Marxian and Parsonian views of social change and examine the relevance of each view for social development in the contemporary India.

## PAPER II -2004

**PAPER-II-2004**

### *Section A*

1. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Caste mobilisation in North India
  - (b) Impact of Muslims on Indian Society
  - (c) Feudalism and Semi Feudalism
  - (d) Social Consequences of Globalisation
2. Discuss the influence of socio-cultural factors on age of marriage in India.
3. Critically evaluate education as a tool for social justice.
4. "The 73rd and 74th constitutional amendments have motivated social mobilisation in rural India." Discuss.

### *Section B*

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Role of religion in civil society.
  - (b) Migration and tribal communities.
  - (c) Socio-cultural factors related to foeticide.
  - (d) Strategies of rural development.
6. Discuss in detail impact of mass media and education on Indian Society.
7. Discuss in detail atrocities on women and suggest annihilative measures for them.
8. Analyse socio-cultural consequences of corruption and suggest remedial measures for curbing it.

## PAPER I -2005

### **PAPER-I-2005** *Section A*

1. Write short notes on any *three* of the following (Each note should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Sociology and its relationship with economics and political science
  - (b) Social research design
  - (c) Class struggle as conceived by Karl Marx
  - (d) Role of Family in Social Control
2. Discuss Max Weber's ideal types and the role of authority in bureaucracy.
3. Elucidate changing structure of family and marriage in modern society.
4. How is vertical and horizontal social mobility problematic in society? Suggest solutions.

### *Section B*

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the

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following (Each note should not exceed 200 words):

- (a) Social determinants of economic development
  - (b) Power elite in society and the emergence of new elite in power structure
  - (c) Origins of religious beliefs and practices in pre-modern societies
  - (d) Social consequences of science and technology in India
6. Discuss modes of political participation and voting behaviour in India.
  7. Describe the ideological changes that have ushered in modern society due to social movements in India.
  8. Discuss mass education as an instrument of social change and modernization.

## PAPER II -2005

### PAPER-II-2005

#### *Section A*

1. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than *200* words each:
  - (a) Racial Theories of origin of caste
  - (b) Characteristics of peasant societies
  - (c) Generation gap
  - (d) Inequality in Education
2. Discuss the paradoxical nature of change in contemporary Indian society. Describe the factors responsible for it.
3. Describe the process of emergence of the middle class in India. What role has the middle class played in national development?
4. Discuss the social base of political parties

in India. What has been its impact on Indian democracy?

#### *Section B*

5. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in not more than *200* words each:
  - (a) Pluralism and national unity
  - (b) Religious fundamentalism
  - (c) Self-respect Movement
  - (d) Obstacles to change in Indian society
6. Describe the distinctive features of tribal communities in India. Discuss the factors affecting tribal identity.
7. Describe various aspects of urban environment in India and assess the impact of urban development programmes on it.
8. Describe the process of social mobility among lower castes and discuss the role of the Backward Classes Movement in strengthening this process.

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## PAPER I -2007

### Section A

1. Write short notes on any *three* of the following (Each note should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Sociology as a science of society
  - (b) Talcott Parsons' concept of social system
  - (c) Social facts
  - (d) Robert Merton's views on manifest and latent functions
2. Explain Karl Marx's analysis of capitalistic mode of production and class-struggle. What are the intellectual reactions to his views?
3. What is the subject-matter of Sociology according to Max Weber? Which major methods did he suggest for social science research? Illustrate your answer with his sociological contributions.
4. Elaborate Emile Durkheim's analysis of the Elementary Forms of Religious Life & role of religion in society. How does he explain existence of religion in modern industrial societies?

### Section B

5. Write short notes on any three of the following (Each note should not exceed 200 words):
  - (a) Changing structure of family
  - (b) Role-conflict and its resolution
  - (c) Education as an instrument of social change

(d) Features of Pre-Industrial economic system

6. Indicate social determinants of economic development. Discuss any one sociological perspective analysing backwardness and poverty in the developing societies.
7. What are the structural elements of a social movement? State how a social movement comes to its end. Illustrate your answer with example.
8. Explain the meaning and modes of political participation. What are the factors preventing people's participation in politics in India?

## PAPER II - 2007

### Section A

1. Write notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:
  - (a) Problem of dowry
  - (b) Sanskritisation
  - (c) Programmes for urban development
  - (d) Problems of religious minorities
2. Discuss the role of various reform movements in India.
3. Describe the salient features of the poverty alleviation programmes. What modifications would you suggest to make them more effective?
4. Discuss the various problems of tribal communities in India and assess the impact of tribal development efforts after Independence.

### Section B



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5. Write short notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:
    - (a) Education and social mobility
    - (b) Regionalism
    - (c) Market economy and its social consequences
    - (d) Agrarian Unrest
  6. Discuss the major problems of religious fundamentalism in contemporary India. Give suggestions to tackle these problems.
  7. Discuss the social consequences of economic reforms like liberalisation, privatisation and globalisation.
  8. Discuss the impact of legislation and socio-economic changes on marriage and family institutions. Are these institutions weakening in contemporary India?
4. Using Max Weber's theory, discuss what ethical and religious ideas produced capitalism in certain societies and how? 60

### **Section B**

5. Write short notes on any three of the following (each note should not exceed 200 words):  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - (a) Relevance of pattern variables in the study of social change
  - (b) Mead's notion of self
  - (c) Importance and sources of hypotheses in social research
  - (d) New trends in the types and forms of family in contemporary India.
6. What is Merton's view of relationship between social structure and deviance? In what sense is a deviant also a conformist? 60
7. In what important ways can religion be a force both for social stability and social change? Discuss. 60
8. How does hierarchy get built into the systems of natural and social inequalities? 60

## **PAPER I - 2008**

### **Section A**

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each note should not exceed 200 words):  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - (a) Role of values in sociological enquiry
  - (b) Social mobility in open and closed systems
  - (c) Social movement as an expression of protest
  - (d) Education as an agent of social change.
2. How is emergence of sociology linked with modernisation of Europe? 60
3. What is the importance of sampling in sociological studies? Distinguish between simple random sampling and stratified random sampling. 60

## **PAPER II - 2008**

### **Section A**

1. Write short notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each: —  $3 \times 20 = 60$ 
  - (a) Village studies in Indian Sociology
  - (b) Concept of Hierarchy in Louis Dumont's writings
  - (c) Informal sector in the urban economy in India
  - (d) S.N.D.P. Movement.
2. How has the Marxist Perspective been

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- applied to explain social background of Indian nationalism? 60
3. What is Patriarchy? How have the women's movements confronted the norms of Patriarchy? 60
4. How do you differentiate between social change and modernization? Explain with examples from Indian society. 60

### **Section B**

5. Write short notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each: —  $3 \times 20 = 60$
- (a) Disparities in education
- (b) Pressure groups
- (c) Religious revivalism
- (d) Reproductive Health.
6. What is the impact of Globalization on the structure and mobilization of the working class in India? 60
7. What factors account for the resurgence of ethnic identity movements in India? What, according to you, is the proper strategy of integration of ethnic groups in the mainstream? 60
8. How do you define development? What are your suggestions to resolve the issues of displacement and environment related to development? 60

- (b) Subject-matter of Sociology, according to Emile Durkheim
- (c) Comparison between Sociology and Economics
- (d) Talcott Parsons' idea of 'moving equilibrium.
2. (a) Distinguish between probability and non-probability sampling methods. How many types of sampling designs are there? 30
- (b) Comment on the responses of the functionalist-school to Karl Marx's views on social change. 30
3. (a) Comment on the reasons why neo-idealists and symbolic interactionists are critical of 'positivism' in Sociology. 30
- (b) What are the reasons for calling Kingsley Davis and Wilbert Moore's theory of social stratification a functional theory? 30
4. To Robert Merton, deviant behaviour is a result of *anomie*. Analyse his socio-logical theory of deviant behaviour, with a special reference to his formulation of types of deviance. 60

### **Section-B**

5. Write short notes on any **three** of the following (Each note should not exceed 200 words):  $3 \times 20 = 60$
- (a) C. W. Mills' Power Elite
- (b) Industrialization and changes in the family's functions
- (c) Secularization of societies in the modern world
- (d) Structure of a social movement
6. (a) Comment on the critics' charge that Immanuel Wallerstein's dependency

## **PAPER I - 2009**

### **Section A**

1. Write short notes on any **three** of the following (Each note should not exceed 200 words):  $3 \times 20 = 60$
- (a) Problems of objectivity in sociological research

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- theory is simplistic and wrong. 30
- (b) What, according to Max Weber, is the role of “particular religious ideas” in the emergence of modern capitalism? 30
7. “Science without religion is lame. Religion without science is blind.” Comment on this statement critically in the light of emerging sociological contexts in Europe, USA and India. 60
8. Discuss the emerging forms of marriage and family with examples from the West and the East. Can there be family without marriage? Examine. 60

## PAPER II - 2009

### Section-A

1. Write short notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each in sociological perspectives:  $20 \times 3 = 60$
- (a) Indological perspective of G. S. Ghurye  
(b) Emergence of middle class in India  
(c) Dynamics of Dalit movement  
(d) Colonial hangover and its social impact
2. (a) What has been the impact of globalisation on the cultural aspect(s) of the family? 30
- (b) Comment on the changes in the household dimensions of family under modern economic reforms. 30
3. What are the main principles of the structural-functional perspective? Comment on the suitability of applying this perspective to the study of Indian society. 60

4. Comment in about 300 words each on the following:  $30 \times 2 = 60$
- (a) Changes that the agrarian social structure in India is undergoing.  
(b) Can religion form a sufficient basis of forming cultural identity in India?

### Section-B

5. Write short notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each in sociological perspectives:— $20 \times 3 = 60$
- (a) Law and social change  
(b) New rural elite and leadership  
(c) Fertility and population growth  
(d) Possibilities of slum reform
6. Answer the following, limiting your answer to 300 words each:  $30 \times 2 = 60$
- (a) Comment on the influence of social and cultural factors on family planning in India.  
(b) Evaluate the success of Indian peasant movements in achieving their goals.
7. (a) In the context of the caste system, critically examine Louis Dumont’s concept of purity and pollution. 30  
(b) Comment on the sociological impact of globalization on people working in the Informal sector. 30
8. Do you think that poverty, deprivation and inequalities are the major challenges in the process of social transformation? What are your suggestions to address and resolve these problems? 60

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## PAPER I - 2010

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks:

300

### Section—A

1. Write short notes on any four of the following, keeping sociological perspectives in view (each short note in about 200 words):  
15×4=60
  - (a) Content Analysis
  - (b) Nomothetic and Idiographic Methods
  - (c) Serendipity
  - (d) Cybernetic Hierarchy of Control
  - (e) Ethnicity and Development
2. (a) “Sociology without History is rootless and History without Sociology is fruitless” Elaborate. 30
  - (b) Examine the social dimensions of religious revivalism and fundamentalism in the context of globalisation. 30
3. (a) “Work in capitalism is reduced to mere labour in which the individual does not develop freely his physical and mental energy but mortifies his body and ruins his mind.” Critically evaluate the assertion. 30
  - (b) Compare Karl Marx with Emile Durkheim with reference to the framework of ‘division of labour’. 30
4. (a) Critically analyse the contributions of G. H. Mead to ‘symbolic interactionism’. 30

- (b) Examine how open and closed systems of stratification are undergoing transformation in the emergence of new hierarchical social order in societies. 30

### Section—B

5. Write short notes on any four of the following, from a sociological perspective (each short note in about 200 words):
  - (a) Feminisation of Labour in Informal Sector
  - (b) Identity Politics
  - (c) Positive religion
  - (d) Kinship and Social Capital
  - (e) Human Relations School of Thought by Elton Mayo as a social organisation of work process in industry
6. (a) “There has been a substantial decline in labour class and increase in labour force in non-manual jobs with the advent of new technological revolution.” Critically examine. 30
  - (b) Distinguish between people being socially excluded and people excluding themselves socially in societies. 15
  - (c) “Science has empirical means to logical ends and religion has non-empirical means to logical ends.” Comment. 15
7. (a) List sources of power and explain the various indicators based on which power can be measured. 30
  - (b) Analyse the social impact of market economy on traditional societies. 15
  - (c) Examine the social dimensions of displacement induced by development. 15
8. (a) Evaluate how civil society and democracy mutually reinforce each other. 30

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- (b) Examine Karl Marx's views on 'class-in-itself' and 'class-for-itself' with reference to proletarians. 30

perspective helpful in understanding changes in contemporary Indian society?

30

## PAPER II - 2010

*Time allowed : 3 Hours*      *Maximum marks : 300*

### Section—A

- Write short notes with a sociological perspective on the following in not more than 200 words each :  
 $3 \times 20 = 60$ 
  - A. R. Desai's characterization of leadership of Indian freedom movement.
  - Women in the I. T. sector
  - The Parsi community and its contribution to Indian society.
- Comment critically on each of the following in about 200 words.  
 $3 \times 20 = 60$ 
  - The heterogenic features that influenced Indian tradition, according to Yogendra Singh.
  - Linkages between Patriarchy and honour killings.
  - Dumont's concepts of homohierarchicus.
- With reference to their understanding of the Indian village, compare the perspective of M.N. Srinivas and S. C. Dube. 30
  - Critically assess the forms in which untouchability continues to be practised. 30
- Discuss the inter-relationships between caste, class and power. 30
  - How far is the structural functional

### Section—B

- Write short notes on the following in not more than 200 words each. Your answer should have a sociological perspective.  
 $3 \times 20 = 60$ 
  - Factors responsible for increasing demands for the formation of separate states.
  - Social security measures for the elderly.
  - Ethnic movements.
- Evaluate the policy of SEZ (special economic zones) and the nature of social response to it. 30
  - From a sociological perspective, examine the effect of the BPO industry on the youth. 30
- Identify the reasons for the resilience of democratic system in India. 30
  - Assess the contribution of contemporary women's movements in women empowerment. 30
- Discuss the socio-cultural factors for the declining sex-ratio in some states of India. 30
  - Highlight the important dimensions of inter-caste conflict in India. 30

## PAPER I - 2011

*Time allowed : 3 Hours*      *Maximum marks : 300*

### Section A

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1. Write short notes on the following, keeping sociological perspective in view (Each short note in about 150 words):  $12 \times 5 = 60$
- (a) Emergence of Sociology is an outcome of modernity and social change in Europe.
  - (b) Fact and Value
  - (c) Reliability and Validity
  - (d) The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism
  - (e) The problem of gender
2. (a) What can Sociology show us about our actions? Discuss the practical significance of Sociology. 30
- (b) What is Class? Do you think that Weber's contributions to social stratification are different from that of Marx? 30
3. (a) What is subjective method in social research? Examine Focus Group Discussion (FGD) as a technique for data collection, with suitable example. 30
- (b) Define Ideal Type and explain Weber's concept of 'Verstehen' for understanding social phenomena. 30
4. (a) Give conceptual meaning of social system. What is cognitive consonance between 'pattern variables' and 'paradigm'? 30
- (b) What do you mean by social mobility? Discuss the major source and causes of mobility. 30
5. Write short notes on the following from a sociological perspective (Each short note in about 150 words):  $12 \times 5 = 60$
- (a) Self-Help Group (SHG) as an informal organization or work
  - (b) Power Elite
  - (c) Cultural Pluralism
  - (d) Lineage and Descent
  - (e) Development and Dependency
6. (a) What is formal organization? "The growth of bureaucracy has resulted in extreme concentration of power at larger levels of social organization." Discuss. 20
- (b) Highlight prerequisites of social movement. Bring out of differences between social movement and revolution. 20
- (c) "Collective action in politics can bring integration and disintegration in society." Comment. 20
7. (a) Define sect, cult and religion. In what way do Weber's views on religion differ from those of Durkheim? 20
- (b) What you mean by marriage and family? Discuss the structural and functional change in family in modern society? 20
- (c) Explain the concept of Participatory Democracy. What conditions are assumed to be conducive to participation? 20
8. (a) "Social support mechanism needs to be strengthened for effective implementation of development programmes." Comment. 20
- (b) Discuss World System Theory in the context of modern society. 20
- (c) "Science and Technology are major forces accelerating the process of social change". Comment. 20

## **Section B**

5. Write short notes on the following from a sociological perspective (Each short note in about 150 words):

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### Section—A

1. Write short notes with a sociological perspective on the following in not more than 150 words each:  
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  - (a) Perspective on the study of case by M.N. Srinivas and Andra Beteille.
  - (b) Distinction between the concepts of family and household.
  - (c) Unity and diversity among the tribes in India.
  - (d) The book-view and the field-view in Indian sociology.
2. (a) Bring out the relationship between fertility and social structure and viewed by Davis and Blake. 30  
(b) "Protective discrimination not only protects but also discriminates." Comment. 30
3. (a) Distinguish between 'secularism' and 'secularisation'. Analyse the nature and extent of secularisation in contemporary India. 30  
(b) Analyze the term 'dalit' and the evolution of the related concept as a reflection of the changing consciousness and self-assertion of the dalit community. 30
4. (a) How are the issues of ethnicity and nationalism related? Discuss in the context of the emergence of ethnonationalism in India. 30
- (b) What are the linkage points between globalisation and the growth of the informal sector? How have these affected the nature and functioning of the working class? 30

### Section B

5. Write short notes on the following in not more than 150 words each. Your answers should have a sociological perspective.  $4 \times 15 = 60$ 
  - (a) Stage of the Women's movement in India.
  - (b) Impact of Green Revolution on rural class structure.
  - (c) Infant Mortality Rate is the most sensitive index for measuring development. Comment.
  - (d) Structural factors behind violence against women.
6. (a) Critically examine D.N. Dhanagare's views on agrarian movement in India. 20  
(b) Explain the interface between population, ecology and environment in context of India. 20  
(c) 'Casteism is the modern edition of the caste system.' Do you agree with this statement? Discuss with arguments. 20
7. (a) Comment on the factors responsible for the growth and consolidation of middle level peasantry in rural India. How is it related to capitalism in Indian agriculture?  
(b) "Tradition and modernity are misplaced polarities in the study of social change in India". Elucidate. 30
8. (a) Rapid urbanization and sustainable development do not go together. Discuss

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- with arguments. 20
- (b) Analyze the changing nexus between  
caste and tribe. 30
- (c) Bring out the relationship between  
social class and mortality. 20

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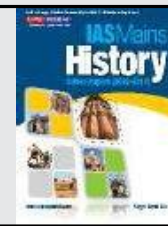
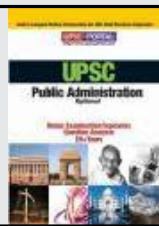
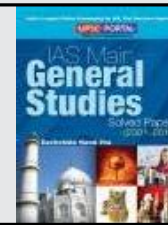
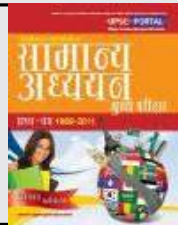
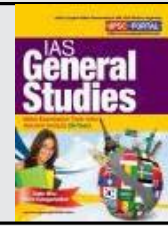
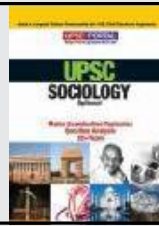
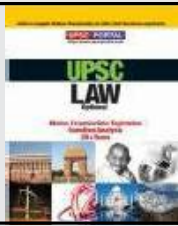
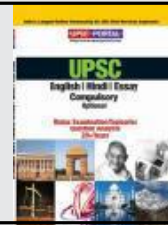
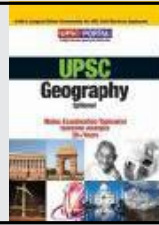
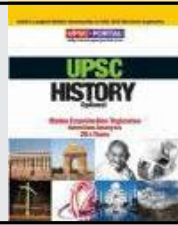
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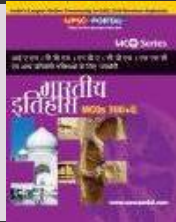
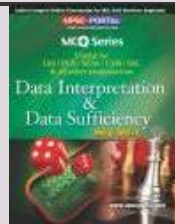
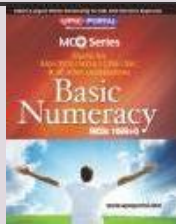
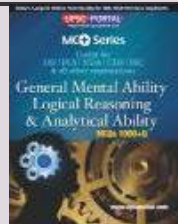
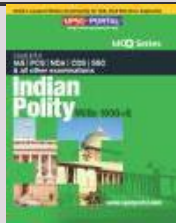
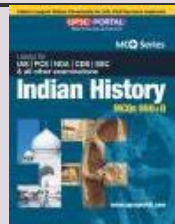
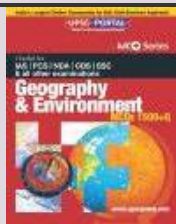
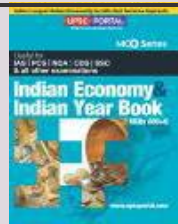
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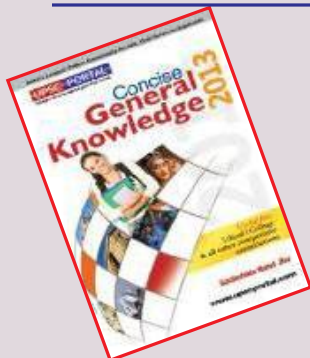
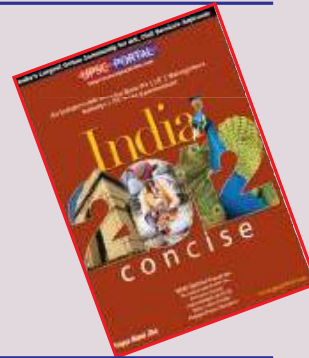
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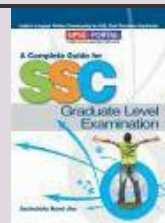
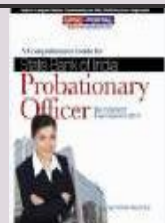
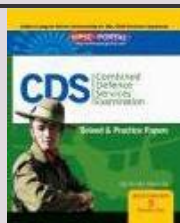
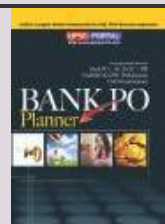
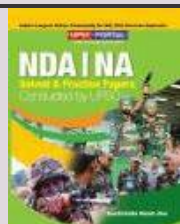
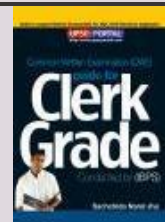
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