

1 SEM TDC SOCH (CBCS) C 1

2021

(Held in January/February, 2022)

SOCIOLOGY

(Core)

Paper : C-1

(Introduction to Sociology—I)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×8=8

(a) Who propounded the theory of sociological imagination?

(i) C. W. Mills

(ii) A. Schütz

(iii) H. Garfinkel

(iv) Auguste Comte

(b) _____ means the people's innate ability to understand and assess the things they see on regular basis.

(i) Common sense

(ii) Instinct

(iii) Critical ability

(iv) Reasoning

(c) What is the name of the process by which we acquire a sense of identity and become members of society?

(i) Rationalization

(ii) Colonialization

(iii) Socialization

(iv) McDonaldization

(d) Social norms are

- (i) creative activities such as gardening, cookery and craftwork
- (ii) the symbolic representation of social groups in the mass media
- (iii) religious beliefs about how the world ought to be
- (iv) rules and expectations about interaction that regulate social life

(e) Society cannot be studied in the same way as the natural world because

- (i) human behaviour is meaningful, and varies between individuals and cultures
- (ii) it is difficult for sociologists to gain access to a research laboratory
- (iii) sociologists are not rational or critical enough in their approach
- (iv) we cannot collect empirical data about social life

(f) Ram, a student of sociology department of your college, has many roles : student, soccer player, roommate, friend, vice-president of the department and member of a sponsored club. What is this an example of?

(i) Duties

(ii) Role set

(iii) Values

(iv) Ascribed status

(g) Families, peers, schools and mass media are all

(i) agents of socialization

(ii) proxemics

(iii) acquisition devices

(iv) dramaturgical

(h) In contemporary societies, social institutions are

(i) highly specialized, interrelated sets of social practices

(ii) disorganized social relations in a post-modern world

(iii) virtual communities in cyberspace

(iv) no longer relevant to sociology

2. Answer any *four* questions of the following (**within 150 words** each) : $4 \times 4 = 16$

(a) Differentiate between sociological thinking and common sense.

(b) What is sociological imagination?

(c) What is the meaning of sociological perspectives?

(d) Write on the pattern of social change.

(e) Examine the relationship between sociology and psychology.

(f) Write on reference group.

3. Answer any four questions of the following (**within 500 words** each) : $14 \times 4 = 56$

(a) Define Sociology. Discuss the emergence and development of sociology in the west. $4 + 5 + 5 = 14$

(b) What is Social Anthropology? Discuss its relationship with sociology. $4 + 10 = 14$

(c) What do you mean by Social Group? Mention the sociological classification of social groups and bring out how the groups affect the individual. $2 + 6 + 6 = 14$

(d) What is Social Change? Critically discuss the cyclical theory of social change. $4 + 10 = 14$

(e) Give the sociological interpretation of culture. Discuss the impact of culture on individuals and society with the help of Robert Bierstedt's book of *The Social Order*.
4+5+5=14

(f) Define institution in sociological perspective. Critically discuss the nature and function of social institution in society.
4+5+5=14

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