

School of studies in Sociology and Social Work

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Syllabus 2023-25

Ph.D. Entrance Test- Sociology

Note:-There will be one question paper. Part I and Part II. Part I will cover 30 Objective Questions.(Multiple choice, Matching type) carrying 60 marks. Part II will have 08 short answer questions(50 to 100 words) carrying 05 marks each.

Part I for Objective Questions

SOCIOLOGICAL CONCEPTS

- **Nature of Sociology:-** Definition, Sociological Perspective
- **Basic concepts:-** Community, Institution, Association, Culture, Norms and Values
- **Social Structure:-** Status and role, their interrelation ship, Multiple roles, role Set, Status set, Status sequence and role conflict.
- **Social Group:-** Meaning, Types: Primary-Secondary, Formal-Informal, Ingroup-Outgroup, Reference group.
- **Social Institution:-** Marriage, Family
- **Socialization:-** Socialization, Resocialization, Anticipatory socialization, Adult Socialization, Agencies of Socialization, Theories of Socialization.
- **Social Stratification:-** Social Differentiation, Hierarchy and Inequality, Forms of Stratification: Caste, Class, Gender, Ethnic, Theories of Social Stratification, Social Mobility.
- **Social Change:-** Concepts and types; Evolution, Diffusion, Revolution, transformation; Change in Structure and Change of Structure, Theories: Dialectical and Cyclical.

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SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

- **Structural:-** Nadel, Radcliffe Brown, Levi-Strauss
- **Functional:-** Malinowski, Parsons, Merton
- **Integrationist:-** Social Action: Max Weber, Pareto, Symbolic Interactionism: G.H. Mead, Blumer
- **Conflict:-** Karl Marx, Dahrendorf, Coser, Collins

METHODOLOGY

- **Meaning and Nature of Social Research:-** Nature of Social Phenomena. Scientific method, the problems in the study of social phenomena. Objectivity and Subjectivity, fact and Value
- **Quantitative methods:-** Survey, Research design and its types, Hypothesis, Sampling, techniques of Data Collection- Observation, Questionnaire, Schedule, Interview
- **Qualitative Methods:-** Participant Observation, Case study, Content Analysis.

SOCIOLOGICAL THINKERS

- Auguste Comte, Emile Durkheim, Karl Marx, Max Weber, Vilfredo Pareto

Part II short Answer Questions(50 to 100 words)

- Phenomenology and Ethno methodology:- Alfred Shultz, Peter Berger, Luckmann, Garfinkel and Goffman
- Conceptualizing Indian Society:- Peoples of India- Groups and Communities, Unity in Diversity, Cultural Diversity- Regional, linguistic, regions, tribal.
- Theoretical Perspectives:- Ideological/textual Perspective: G.S. Ghurye. Louis Dumont

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- Structural-Functional Perspective: M.N.Srinivas.S.C.Dube
- Contemporary Issues: Socio-Cultural- Poverty, Inequality of Caste and Gender
- Contemporary Issues: Development- Population, Slums, Health problems
- Issues pertaining to Deviance- Deviance and its forms, Crime and Delinquency, white collar crime and corruption, changing profile of crime and criminals, Drug addiction, Suicide.
- Current Debates:- Tradition and Modernity in India.
- Rural Sociology:- Approaches to the study of rural society: Rural-Urban differences, Urbanism, Peasant Studies. Panchayati Raj Institution: Panchayat before and after 73rd Amendment, Rural Leadership and Factionalism, Empowerment of people.
- Industry And Society:- Industrial Society in the Classical Sociological Tradition: Division of labor, Bureaucracy, Rationality, Production Relations, Surplus Value, Alienation. Industrialization and Social Change in India: Impact of Industrialization on Family, Education and Stratification, Class and class conflict in industrial Society, Obstacles to and limitations of Industrialization.
- Sociology of Development:- Conceptual perspectives on Development: Economic Growth, human Development, Social Development, Sustainable development: Ecological and Social. Social Structure and Development: Social Structure as a Facilitator/ inhibitor. Culture and Development: Culture as an aid/ impediment.

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