

# School of studies in Sociology and Social Work

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Ph.D. Entrance Test - Sociology

## Syllabus

For academic year 2024-2025 onwards

**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 interrelationship, 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.

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- **Social Change:-** Concepts and types; Evolution, Diffusion, Revolution, transformation; Change in Structure and Change of Structure, Theories; Dialectical and Cyclical.

## 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.

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- **Theoretical Perspectives**:- Ideological/textual Perspective: G.S.Ghurye, Louis Dumont
- **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 73<sup>rd</sup> 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, and 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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