



Ba/Soc-301 (N)

2022

(3rd Semester)

SOCIOLOGY

Paper No. : SOC-301

(Foundations of Sociological Thought)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 45)

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

- 1. Explain social statics and social dynamics as elaborated by Auguste Comte.**

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Or

Discuss Auguste Comte's Law of Human Progress.

2. Discuss the theory of organic analogy proposed by Herbert Spencer. 9

Or

Give an account of Herbert Spencer's functionalism.

3. How does Karl Marx formulate the materialistic interpretation of history? 9

Or

Explain critically the concept of class and class conflict as developed by Karl Marx.

4. What are social facts? Elaborate on the characteristics of social facts. 3+6=9

Or

Explain the types of suicide with examples as propounded by Emile Durkheim. 9

5. Elaborate on the theory of social action according to Max Weber. 9

Or

Critically evaluate Max Weber's view on the protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

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SECTION—I

(Marks : 10)

Put a Tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the
brackets provided : 1×10=10

1. According to Auguste Comte, the new science of society must rely on
- (a) the enlightenment ()
 - (b) the progress of natural sciences ()
 - (c) reasoning and observation ()
 - (d) the physiological knowledge ()

2. The dominant section in the positive stage according to Auguste Comte consists of
- (a) priests ()
 - (b) military men ()
 - (c) monarchs ()
 - (d) industrial administrators ()
3. Functionalism views society as a _____ that is as a set of interconnected parts which together form a whole.
- (a) whole ()
 - (b) body ()
 - (c) system ()
 - (d) unit ()
4. In a living organism, there is _____ which is conscious of the whole body.
- (a) one central consciousness ()
 - (b) no central consciousness ()
 - (c) two central consciousness ()
 - (d) central consciousness ()

5. In which mode of production is there communal ownership of land?

(a) Asiatic ()

(b) Ancient ()

(c) Feudal ()

(d) Capitalist ()

6. The thirst for money-making for its own sake is the very essence of

(a) modern capitalism ()

(b) rich people ()

(c) traditional capitalism ()

(d) wealthy people ()

7. _____ suicide results from the lack of integration of the individual into his social group.

(a) Individual ()

(b) Altruistic ()

(c) Anomic ()

(d) Egoistic ()

8. According to Emile Durkheim, the subject matter of sociology is

- (a) society ()
- (b) real ()
- (c) social facts ()
- (d) wide ()

9. According to Max Weber, there is/are _____ type(s) of social action.

- (a) four ()
- (b) one ()
- (c) two ()
- (d) three ()

10. There can be no social action in

- (a) crowd ()
- (b) separation ()
- (c) division ()
- (d) isolation ()

SECTION—II

(Marks : 5)

State whether the following statements are *True (T)* or *False (F)* by putting a Tick (✓) mark : 1×5=5

1. Social facts are real and exist independent of individual's will or desire.

(T / F)

2. According to Emile Durkheim, with the change in the structure of organs there results a change in their functions.

(T / F)

3. Karl Marx views human society as an interrelated whole.

(T / F)

4. According to Max Weber, social action always has a subjective meaning to the doer.

(T / F)

5. The scientific stage of human evolution is characterized by the theological thinking.

(T / F)

SECTION—III
(Marks : 10)

Answer the following in brief (any *five*) :

2×5=10

1. Write a note on scientific stage.

2. How does Max Weber explain traditional action?

3. What is organic analogy?

4. Explain feudal mode of production.

5. Elucidate on class conflict.

6. Why did the followers of John Calvin stress so much on hard work?

7. Write three rules of sociological method to observe social facts.

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