

**Ba/SOC/H/M-1**

**2025**

( FYUGP )

( 1st Semester )

**SOCIOLOGY**

( MINOR )

Paper Code : SOC/H/M-1

**( Introduction to Sociology-I )**

*Full Marks : 75*

*Pass Marks : 40%*

*Time : 3 hours*

( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )

( Marks : 50 )

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

1. (a) Discuss the scope of sociology in the context of formalistic and synthetic school of thoughts. 5+5=10

*Or*

- (b) Elaborate the factors responsible for the emergence of sociology as a distinct discipline. 10



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2. (a) Elucidate the similarities and differences between Sociology and Political science. 5+5=10

*Or*

- (b) Discuss the relationship between Sociology and Psychology in understanding human behaviour. 10

3. (a) Define the concept of institution in sociology. Discuss its key characteristic. 3+7=10

*Or*

- (b) Define social control. Explain various agencies of social control. 2+8=10

4. (a) Elucidate the nature and significance of family. 10

*Or*

- (b) Examine the functions of education as a social institution.

5. (a) What is the caste system? Explain the characteristic of caste. 2+8=10

*Or*

- (b) What is social stratification? Examine the role of ethnicity in shaping social stratification. 2+8=10

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 25 )

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SECTION—I

( Marks : 15 )

Put a Tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the  
brackets provided : 1×15=15

1. Which among the following is the youngest social  
science?

(a) Sociology ( )

(b) Political science ( )

(c) Economics ( )

(d) History ( )

2. Auguste Comte coined the term 'sociology' in his book

- (a) *The Communist Manifesto* ( )
- (b) *Principles of Positive Politics* ( )
- (c) *Cours de Philosophie Positive* ( )
- (d) *The Rules of Sociological Method* ( )

3. Who defined sociology as "the scientific study of social life"?

- (a) Emile Durkheim ( )
- (b) Max Weber ( )
- (c) Ogburn and Nimkoff ( )
- (d) Morris Ginsberg ( )

4. History helps sociology by

- (a) giving future predictions ( )
- (b) providing social theories ( )
- (c) giving facts about past events ( )
- (d) showing how society change over time ( )

5. A role is the \_\_\_\_ aspect of status.

- (a) counter ( )
- (b) dynamic ( )
- (c) static ( )
- (d) latent ( )

6. A group of people organized for a particular purpose is known as

- (a) association ( )
- (b) community ( )
- (c) society ( )
- (d) institution ( )

7. Caste status is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ status.

- (a) general ( )
- (b) social ( )
- (c) achieved ( )
- (d) ascribed ( )

8. Who said that social change refers to alterations in social organization, specifically in the structure and functions of society?

- (a) Emile Durkheim ( )
- (b) Kingsley Davis ( )
- (c) Auguste Comte ( )
- (d) Max Weber ( )

9. A social group is a/an

- (a) gathering of people ( )
- (b) association of people ( )
- (c) system of social interaction ( )
- (d) organization of people for purpose ( )

**10.** Function of religion has been

(a) harmonizing ( )

(b) unifying ( )

(c) instituting confidence in crisis situations  
( )

(d) All of the above ( )

**11.** Which of the following best exemplifies a formal political institution?

(a) State ( )

(b) Political parties ( )

(c) Individualism ( )

(d) Idealism ( )

**12.** What is the term for a family in which authority is held by females?

(a) Matriarchal ( )

(b) Matrilineal ( )

(c) Patrilineal ( )

(d) Patriarchy ( )

**13.** Which of the following refers to the social and cultural roles associated with being male or female?

(a) Sex ( )

(b) Gender ( )

(c) Race ( )

(d) Class ( )

**14.** Which of the following systems allows for the most social mobility?

(a) Caste system ( )

(b) Estate system ( )

(c) Class system ( )

(d) Feudal system ( )

**15.** Which of the following best describes endogamy as a feature of the caste system?

(a) Marriage outside one's caste ( )

(b) Marriage within one's caste ( )

(c) Marriage based on love ( )

(d) Marriage between different religions ( )

SECTION—II

( Marks : 10 )

Answer any *five* of the following questions :

2×5=10

1. Define the term 'sociology'.

2. What is meant by historical sociology?

3. Distinguish between a Primary group and a Secondary group.

**4. What is an association?**

5. Mention two points of differences between sociology and economics.

**6. State any two functions of religion in society.**

7. Define the concept of class in sociology.