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2013 - MAINS - SOCIOLOGY - PAPER - I

INSTRUCTIONS

For each paper: Time Allowed : Three Hours Maximum Marks : 250

There are EIGHT questions divided in two Sections and printed both in HINDI and in ENGLISH.

Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.

Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Question-cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided. No marks will be given for answers written in medium other than the authorized one.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

Attempts of questions shall be counted in chronological order. Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

SECTION-A



1. Write short answer of the following in about 150 words each: 10×5=50

- Sociology emerged in Europe and flourished to begin with on social reformist orientation in the USA." – Comment.
- Compare and contrast Sociology with Anthropology.
- Critically examine positivistic approach in sociological studies.
- Examine science and technology as agents of social change.
- Analyse the contemporary trends in family with examples.

2. Answer the following

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- Analyse the limitations of quantitative methods in social research.
- Critically examine the functionalist tradition in Sociology
- Analyse the salient features of historical rationalism.



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3. Answer the following

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- Compare Karl Marx with Emile Durkheim with reference to the framework of 'division of labour'.
- Critically analyse the contributions of G.H. Mead to 'symbolic interactionism'.
- Examine the salient features of Weberian bureaucracy.

4. Answer the following

20+20+10

- How open and closed systems of stratification undergoing transformation in the emergence of new hierarchical social order in Societies?
- Is patriarchy a universal phenomenon? Critically examine how does patriarchy affect sexual division of labour in societies?
- Examine the role of pressure groups in parliamentary democracy.

Section B

5. Write short notes on the following : (Each notes should not exceed 150 words) 10 x5 = 50

- Distinguish between people being socially excluded and people excluding themselves socially in societies.
- Define social movement. Elucidate the role of reformist movements in social change.
- "Science has empirical means to logical ends and religion has non-empirical means to logical ends." – Comment.
- Examine the social dimensions of displacement induced by development.
- Analyse the gender bias in the present society with examples.

6. Answer the following

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- How do Karl Marx and Weber differ in terms of their analysis of social stratification
- Examine the social impact of globalization on labour and society.
- Examine the relevance of Parsonian Social System in the present society.



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7. Answer the following

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- Evaluate how do civil society and democracy mutually reinforce each other.
- Examine the emerging trends in marriage and family as a response to the changes in economic and social order.
- Critically examine the role of civil society in democracy.

8. Answer the following

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- Illustrate the conflicts and tensions experienced by societies undergoing social change.
- Critically examine the cultural theories of social change with suitable examples.
- Is religion antithetical to science Comment.

