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SOCIOLOGY

Paper No. : SOC-301

( Foundations of Sociological Thought )

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )

( Marks : 45 )

*The questions are of equal value*

1. Auguste Comte divided sociology into two parts, social static and social dynamics. Elucidate.

Or

Explain the law of human progress in the light of Auguste Comte

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2. Explain Herbert Spencer's theory on organic analogy.

Or

Examine Herbert Spencer's contribution to functionalism.

3. Explain in detail Marx's theory on historical materialism

Or

According to Marx, "the history of all hitherto existing societies is the history of class struggle". Discuss.

4. Discuss in detail the concept of social facts as put forwarded by Emile Durkheim.

Or

Elucidate on different types of suicide as given by Durkheim.

5. Explain Weber's social action theory.

Or

Explain Weber's theory on Protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism.

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 25 )

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

**SECTION—I**

( Marks : 10 )

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

(a) Social dynamics as propounded by Auguste Comte refers to

- (i) social structure            (    )
- (ii) social change            (    )
- (iii) social thought            (    )
- (iv) None of the above            (    )

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(b) In Comte's law of three stages, metaphysical stage is also known as

- (i) fictitious stage ( )
- (ii) scientific stage ( )
- (iii) abstract stage ( )
- (iv) theological stage ( )

(c) Who among the following has talk about military society and industrial society?

- (i) Auguste Comte ( )
- (ii) Karl Marx ( )
- (iii) Max Weber ( )
- (iv) Herbert Spencer ( )

(d) In organic analogy Herbert Spencer identifies society with a/an

- (i) superorganic organism ( )
- (ii) biological organism ( )
- (iii) industrial society ( )
- (iv) tribal organism ( )

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(e) Marx's fundamental concept, central to the historical materialism is not related to

(i) means of production ( )

(ii) relation of production ( )

(iii) forces of production ( )

(iv) mode of consumption ( )

(f) According to Karl Marx, which class was alienated in the society?

(i) The working class ( )

(ii) The bourgeoisie ( )

(iii) The ruling class ( )

(iv) The owning class ( )

(g) According to Durkheim, social facts must be regarded as

(i) objects ( )

(ii) forces ( )

(iii) things ( )

(iv) facts ( )

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(h) \_\_\_\_\_ suicide results from over integration of the individual into his social group.

(i) Altruistic ( )

(ii) Anomic ( )

(iii) Egoistic ( )

(iv) Fatalistic ( )

(i) According to Weber, sociology is a science which attempts interpretative understanding of

(i) society ( )

(ii) rationality ( )

(iii) individual ( )

(iv) social action ( )

(j) According to Max Weber, the Protestant ethic provided convenient dogmas for the development of

(i) socialism in Europe ( )

(ii) capitalism in Europe ( )

(iii) communism in Europe ( )

(iv) None of the above ( )

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SECTION—II

( Marks : 5 )

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

(a) According to Comte, positive thinking produces a society dominated by religious leaders.

( T / F )

(b) Herbert Spencer's evolution implies change in society from complicity to simplicity.

( T / F )

(c) The rules of sociological method are associated with Emile Durkheim.

( T / F )

(d) Class antagonism and class conflict reach its peak in capitalist mode of production.

( T / F )

(e) Max Weber is an important French thinker.

( T / F )

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SECTION—III

( Marks : 10 )

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

2×5=10

1. What do you understand by the term 'social static'?



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2. What is functionalism?

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3. What is materialism in the context of Marx?

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4. Define social facts.

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5. What is rational social action?

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6. What is suicide?

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7. Write a short note on class alienation.

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