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( 3rd Semester )

**SOCIOLOGY**

Paper No. : SOC-301

**( Foundations of Sociological Thought )**

( New Course )

( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 25 )

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

SECTION—I

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

1. \_\_\_\_ consists of the laws governing change in society and the different social phenomena.

(a) Social statics ( )

(b) Social dynamics ( )

(c) Social physics ( )

(d) Social biology ( )

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2. According to Auguste Comte, \_\_\_\_ stage is also called abstract because the explanations are sought in terms of abstract entities or things.

- (a) theological ( )
- (b) positive ( )
- (c) metaphysical ( )
- (d) non-scientific outlook ( )

3. Who among the following gave a linear explanation for the evolution of human societies?

- (a) Emile Durkheim ( )
- (b) Auguste Comte ( )
- (c) Max Weber ( )
- (d) Herbert Spencer ( )

4. Herbert Spencer's 'Organic Analogy' was influenced by

- (a) Auguste Comte ( )
- (b) T. H. Morgan ( )
- (c) Charles Darwin ( )
- (d) Max Weber ( )

( 3 )

5. Historical materialism is founded on the ideas and philosophies of which theorists?

(a) Friedrich Engels and Georg Hegel ( )

(b) Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels ( )

(c) Georg Hegel and Karl Marx ( )

(d) Karl Marx and Ludwig Feuerbach ( )

6. Class antagonism reaches its climax and it leads to

(a) bourgeoisie ( )

(b) slavery ( )

(c) proletariat ( )

(d) revolution ( )

7. Who defines “Sociology as the interpretative understanding of social action in order to arrive at a casual explanation of its course and effects”?

(a) Herbert Spencer ( )

(b) Max Weber ( )

(c) Auguste Comte ( )

(d) Karl Marx ( )

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**8.** Anomie describes the state of

(a) normlessness ( )

(b) confusion ( )

(c) indifference ( )

(d) insecurity ( )

**9.** Who said that the Protestant ethic provided convenient dogmas for the development of economic activity among its followers?

(a) Max Weber ( )

(b) Herbert Spencer ( )

(c) John Calvin ( )

(d) T. H. Morgan ( )

**10.** Which of the following is not a characteristic of social facts?

(a) Externality ( )

(b) Constraint ( )

(c) Dependence ( )

(d) Generality ( )

( 5 )

SECTION—II

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

1×5=5

1. Auguste Comte's *System of Positive Polity* was published in four volumes.

( T / F )

2. *The Study of Sociology* (1873) was written by Max Weber.

( T / F )

3. Karl Marx applied the laws of dialectics in his study of society and history.

( T / F )

4. Emile Durkheim's *The Study of Suicide* was written in 1895.

( T / F )

5. The Protestant ethic was for Weber a sub-species of social phenomena within the category 'religion'.

( T / F )

( 6 )

SECTION—III

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

2×5=10

1. Explain in brief the first stage in the law of human progress.

( 7 )

2. What is functionalism?



( 8 )

3. What is mode of production?

( 9 )

4. What is class struggle according to Karl Marx?

( 10 )

5. Define social facts.

( 11 )

6. Write a short note on altruistic suicide.

( 12 )

7. What is Protestant ethic?

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*Full Marks : 70                      Pass Marks : 45%*

*Time : 3 hours*

( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )

( Marks : 45 )

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for the questions*

1. What makes 'social statics' different from 'social dynamics' according to Auguste Comte? Discuss. 4½+4½=9

*Or*

Explain the law of the human progress elaborated by Auguste Comte. 9

2. Critically examine Herbert Spencer's theory of Organic Analogy. 9

*Or*

Elaborate Herbert Spencer's view about 'functionalism'. 9

3. Discuss critically historical materialism of Karl Marx. 9

*Or*

According to Karl Marx, "the history of all hitherto existing societies is the history of class struggle". Discuss. 9

4. Explain in detail the 'rules of sociological method' in the light of Emile Durkheim. 9

*Or*

Define suicide. Explain Emile Durkheim's theories of suicide. 2+7=9

5. Elaborate Max Weber's types of social action. 9

*Or*

How does Protestant ethic relate to the spirit of capitalism? Explain. 9

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