

2019

(4th Semester)

SOCIOLOGY

Paper : Soc-401

(**Modern Sociological Thinkers**)

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. (a) Give a critical view of A. R. Radcliffe-
Brown's concept of social function. 9

Or

(b) Explain how Radcliffe-Brown established
the study of society to the status of
natural science. 9

2. (a) Define culture. Elaborate Bronislaw
Malinowski's theory of needs. 1+8=9

Or

(b) Discuss religion and science in the
context of Bronislaw Malinowski. 9

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3. (a) Explain the concept of pattern variables by Talcott Parsons. 9

Or

(b) Evaluate Talcott Parsons' AGIL paradigm. 9

4. (a) What is function? Discuss R. K. Merton's manifest and latent function. 2+7=9

Or

(b) What is a Reference Group? Explain its types. 1+8=9

5. (a) Present sociological imagination in the light of C. W. Mills. 9

Or

(b) Discuss the governing system of Power Elite as reflected in the 20th century American Society. 9

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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. A. R. Radcliffe-Brown was a student of

(a) R. K. Merton ()

(b) Talcott Parsons ()

(c) W. H. R. Rivers ()

(d) B. Malinowski ()

2. Eunomia refers to

- (a) Disorder ()
- (b) Good Order ()
- (c) Non-Order ()
- (d) Misorder ()

3. Who was designated as an Arm Chair Worker?

- (a) Radcliffe-Brown ()
- (b) R. K. Merton ()
- (c) B. Malinowski ()
- (d) C. W. Mills ()

4. Derived needs are described as

- (a) primary determinism ()
- (b) secondary determinism ()
- (c) biological impulse ()
- (d) basic determinism ()

5. Relationship between a person and a cobbler is an example of

- (a) specificity ()
- (b) universalism ()
- (c) diffuseness ()
- (d) ascribed ()

6. Pattern variables are ____ between many alternatives.

- (a) relation ()
- (b) choices ()
- (c) situation ()
- (d) condition ()

7. The phrase 'Self-fulfilling Prophecy' is associated with

- (a) C. W. Mills ()
- (b) Talcott Parsons ()
- (c) R. K. Merton ()
- (d) Vilfredo Pareto ()

8. Consequences that are simply irrelevant to the system under consideration are called

- (a) function ()
- (b) dysfunction ()
- (c) non-function ()
- (d) malfunction ()

9. C. W. Mills defined sociological imagination as the vivid awareness of the relationship between — experience and the wider society.

- (a) temporal ()
- (b) personal ()
- (c) public ()
- (d) mutual ()

10. Rule by few is called the Iron Law of

- (a) monarchy ()
- (b) oligarchy ()
- (c) androcracy ()
- (d) gynocracy ()

SECTION—II

(Marks : 5)

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

1. The Mother's Brother was the work of Radcliffe-Brown.

(T / F)

2. Bronislaw Malinowski was from England.

(T / F)

3. Reference Groups are conceptual groups.

(T / F)

4. The elements of integration are cultural practices.

(T / F)

5. Communal is a characteristic of Power Elite.

(T / F)

(6)

SECTION—III

(Marks : 10)

Answer any *five* of the following :

2×5=10

1. How is the relationship between Science and Society observed?

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2. Explain basic needs as developed by Bronislaw Malinowski.

3. State the similarities between Magic and Religion.

4. Differentiate between Particularism and Universality.

(10)

5. What are instrumental actions?

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6. Give some characteristics of sociological imagination.

7. Explain the paradigm of goal attainment given by Talcott Parsons.
