

Ba/Soc-401

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 ( )

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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 )

SECTION—III

( Marks : 10 )

Answer any *five* of the following : 2×5=10

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

( 7 )

2. Explain basic needs as developed by Bronislaw Malinowski.

( 8 )

3. State the similarities between Magic and Religion. 3 .5

Answer any five of the following

2x3=10

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

( 9 )

4. Differentiate between Particularism and Universality.

( 10 )

5. What are instrumental actions?

6. Give some characteristics of sociological imagination.

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

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