

2018

( 4th Semester )

SOCIOLOGY

Paper No. : Soc-401

( **Modern Sociological Theories** )

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) Discuss the concept of social structure and function according to Radcliffe-Brown. 9  

*Or*
- (b) Explain the concept of science and society. 9
2. (a) What is the meaning of need? Evaluate the theory of needs according to Malinowski. 2+7=9  

*Or*
- (b) Explain the functional analysis of magic, science and religion. 9

3. (a) What are pattern variables according to Talcott Parsons? Discuss with example. 9

Or

- (b) Evaluate Talcott Parsons' theory of functional pre-requisites of social system. 9

4. (a) Discuss manifest and latent functions with examples in the light of R. K. Merton. 9

Or

- (b) Discuss the characteristics of reference group. 9

5. (a) Sociological Imagination can be applied to any kind of behaviour. Discuss. 9

Or

- (b) Critically explain the power elite theory of Mills. 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. Father of modern Social Anthropology is

(a) Radcliffe-Brown ( )

(b) R. K. Merton ( )

(c) C. W. Mills ( )

(d) Talcott Parsons ( )

2. 'Natural Science of Society' was written in the year

(a) 1958 ( )

(b) 1957 ( )

(c) 1956 ( )

(d) 1952 ( )

3. Permanent vital sequence refers to the satisfaction of

(a) society ( )

(b) an individual ( )

(c) culture ( )

(d) values ( )

4. Who worked among the Trobriand Islanders?

(a) Bronislaw K. Malinowski ( )

(b) Radcliffe-Brown ( )

(c) Talcott Parsons ( )

(d) C. Wright Mills ( )

5. The theory of 'Sick Role' is associated with

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

6. Judgement of a person by general criteria is known as

- (a) Ascription ( )
- (b) Universalism ( )
- (c) Collectivity orientation ( )
- (d) Diffuseness ( )

7. R. K. Merton was a student of

- (a) C. H. Cooley ( )
- (b) Talcott Parsons ( )
- (c) W. F. Ogburn ( )
- (d) C. Wright Mills ( )

8. Reference Group was first coined by

- (a) R. K. Merton ( )
- (b) Herbert Hyman ( )
- (c) W. G. Sumner ( )
- (d) Talcott Parsons ( )

9. Of the following, which is the most important according to C. Wright Mills?

- (a) Military chiefs ( )
- (b) Corporate heads ( )
- (c) Political leaders ( )
- (d) Common people ( )

10. C. Wright Mills was a/an

- (a) Polish ( )
- (b) American ( )
- (c) English ( )
- (d) French ( )

SECTION—II

( Marks : 5 )

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

1. 'Golden Bough' was the work of Sir James Frazer.

( T / F )

2. 'Power Elite' was written in 1956.

( T / F )

3. A. R. Radcliffe-Brown undertook his first field study in 1905.

( T / F )

4. Manifest functions are conscious.

( T / F )

5. Talcott Parsons was elected as the President of American Sociological Association in the year 1948.

( T / F )

SECTION—III

( Marks : 10 )

Answer any *five* of the following :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

1. Distinguish between social structure and social organization.



2. Explain two types of Magic.

3. What are integrative needs? Give examples.

4. Distinguish between affectivity versus affective neutrality.

( 10 )

5. Explain the major institutions of modern society according to C. Wright Mills.

6. What are the components of sociological imagination?

7. What is reference group?

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