FACULTY OF ARTS & SOCIAL SCIENCES

SYLLABUS

FOR

M. A. (SOCIOLOGY)

(Semester: I-IV)

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M.A. SOCIOLOGY (SEMESTER SYSTEM)

**Semester – I:**

| Paper – I: | CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL TRADITION | 100 |
| Paper – II: | METHODOLOGY OF SOCIAL RESEARCH | 100 |
| Paper – III: | SOCIOLOGY OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY | 100 |

**Any one of the following:**

| Paper – IV: (Option-1) | GENDER AND SOCIETY | 100 |
| Paper – IV: (Option-2) | RURAL SOCIOLOGY | 100 |

**Total: 400**

**Semester – II:**

| Paper – I: | THEORETICAL PERSPECTIVES IN SOCIOLOGY | 100 |
| Paper – II: | TECHNIQUES OF SOCIAL RESEARCH | 100 |

**Any two of the following:**

| Paper – III & IV: (Option 1) | SOCIOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT | 100 |
| Paper – III & IV: (Option 2) | POLITI CAL SOCIOLOGY | 100 |
| Paper – III & IV: (Option 3) | SOCIOLOGY OF POPULATION | 100 |

**Total: 400**

**Semester-III:**

| PAPER I: | INTERPRETATIVE SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY | 100 |
| PAPER II: | SOCIAL STRATIFICATION AND SOCIAL MOBILITY | 100 |

**Any two of the following:**

| PAPER III & IV: (Option-1) | RURAL DEVELOPMENT | 100 |
| PAPER III & IV: (Option 2) | SOCIAL STATISTICS | 100 |
| PAPER III & IV: (Option 3) | URBAN SOCIOLOGY | 100 |

**Total: 400**

**Semester-IV:**

| PAPER-I: | PERSPECTIVES ON INDIAN SOCIETY | 100 |

**Any three of the following:**

| PAPER II – IV: (Option 1) | ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY | 100 |
| PAPER II – IV: (Option 2) | URBANIZATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT | 100 |
| PAPER II – IV: (Option 3) | SOCIOLOGY OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP | 100 |
| PAPER II – IV: (Option 4) | INDIAN DIASPORA | 100 |

**Total: 400**
M.A.SOCIOLOGY (SEMESTER-I)

Paper I  CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL TRADITION

Time: 3Hrs  Max. Marks: 100

Note:  *Instructions for the Paper Setters*

The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.

**Section A**: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions, with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

**Section B**: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Historical and socio-economic background of the emergence of sociology. Enlightenment and conservative reaction

**Karl Marx**: Dialectics, Materialistic interpretation of history-mode of production and base and superstructure; emergence of capitalism, theory of capitalist development – Commodities, surplus value, and processes of capitalism, class and class conflict, and alienation.

**Max Weber**: Theory of Social action, analysis of modern capitalism, emergence of Capitalism with reference to the relationship between Protestant ethic and spirit of capitalism, Authority and power – types of authority, bureaucracy, concepts of verstehn and ideal types.

**Emile Durkheim**: Division of labour in Society – mechanical solidarity and organic solidarity, collective consciousness, explanation of increasing division of labour and pathological forms of division of labour, theory of suicide, theory of religion, and rules of sociological methods.

**Vilfredo Pareto**: Logico-experimental method, logical and non-logical actions, classification of residues and derivatives, and circulation of elites.

**REFERENCES**

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Paper – II METHODOLOGY OF SOCIAL RESEARCH

Time: 3Hrs.                                      Max. Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters

The question paper will consist of two sections viz. A and B.

Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Epistemology: Knowledge and its various sources. Positivist methodology with special reference to Comte and Durkheim.
Interpretative methodology with special reference to experiments in ethnomethodology and phenomenological methodology.
Elements of Scientific methods and various steps in social research.
Basic concepts: Concept, hypothesis, theory and facts, facts and values.
Ethical Issues in Social research.
Induction and deduction, propositions, syllogism and logical fallacies.
Pure and Applied research.
Research Design and its Types:
Exploratory, descriptive, experimental, longitudinal and cross-sectional or comparative.

REFERENCES

Paper III  SOCIOLOGY OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY

Time: 3Hrs  Max. Marks: 100

Note:  Instructions for the Paper Setters
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.

Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Sociological Perspectives on Marriage and Family
Family: Family, Forms, functions, and Development Cycle of family in India.
Kinship: Concept, Significance, forms and terminology.

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Paper IV (Option-1) GENDER AND SOCIETY

Time: 3Hrs

Max.Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters
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Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.
Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Social Construction of Gender: Sex, Gender, Gender Roles, Gender Relations.
Perspectives on Gender: (i) Feministic : Liberalistic, Radical, Socialist, Post modernist.(ii) Gender Perspective.
Gender gaps and Gender Inequality: Health and Education – Demographic;Economic: Work,Income, Property, Productive Unproductive; Power: Domestic Power Structure, Community Power Structure, Gender Inequality and Violence.
Gender and Development: Women in Development, Women and Development, UN and Women Development, Women as agency, Gender and Development, Critique of Development Paradigm from Gender Perspective.
Gender Empowerment: Role of State and NGOs for Women Empowerment-from basic Needs to strategic interests, from women Empowerment framework to a Critique towards GenderEmpowerment.

REFERENCES:
Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.

Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question upto 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Perspectives on Rural Society: Structural-functional (organic), Ecological and Regional, Social Structure of Punjab, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh Village.

Mode of Institutional Structure of Rural Society: Political, Religious and cultural life, Production debate in Agriculture,

Dynamics of Rural India: Inter – Caste Tensions, Rural Leadership, Rural Indebtedness; Farmers’ Suicide, Interplay of caste, class and power, Peasant uprisings-Telengana, Tabhaga.

Changing Aspects: Changing Village Social Organization, Green Revolution and Social change, Land reforms and social change.

Note: Field exposure to be used as pedagogic studies.

REFERENCES

Paper-I THEORETICAL PERSPECTIVES IN SOCIOLOGY

Time: 3Hrs.                        Max. Marks: 100

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Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Nature and types of sociological theory
Conflict: Assumptions and Propositions, Contributions of Karl Marx, Ralf Dahrendorf, Lewis A. Coser.
New Trends in these Perspectives:
Post Structuralism: M. Foucault- Discourse; J. Derrida-Deconstruction.
Neofunctionalism: J. Alexander.
Structuration: A. Giddens.

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Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Qualitative Research Techniques: Observation, Case study Method, Content Analysis,

Quantitative Research Techniques: Questionnaire and Interview Schedule, Techniques of Interviewing, Sociometry.

Sampling: Random, Stratified, Multi-stage, Cluster, Quota sampling, Sampling bias, Panel study.

Tabulation, Data Analysis and Report writing

Use of computer and Internet for Sociological Research

REFERENCES
Paper III & IV (Option 1)- SOCIOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT

Time: 3 Hrs.  Max. Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.
Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.
Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Changing conception of Development: Economic growth, Human Development, Social Development, Sustainable development
Critical Perspectives on Development: Ecological, liberal, Marxian and Feminist Theories of Development and Underdevelopment: Modernization theories, Centre periphery, world systems and unequal exchange.
Path and Agencies of Development: Capitalist, socialist, mixed economy, Gandhian, State, market, NGO’s.
Social Structure and Development: Structure as a facilitator/inhibitor, development and socio-economic disparities, gender and development.

REFERENCES
Note:  
Instructions for the Paper Setters 
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B. 
Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks. 
Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Basic concepts: Political sphere, power, authority, conflict, violence, and problem of order. 
Approaches: Marxist, Functional, and System. 
Political Organisations: Political parties and bureaucratization of political parties, pressure groups, and factions 
Polity and its relation with caste and economy. 
Political processes: Nativism in relation to internal migration, and Communalism. 
Social movements: definition, types and causes; and some social movements in India: Arya Samaj, Moplah Uprisings, Telengana, and Naxalite. Globalization and Nation State, Nationalism and nation building in India.

REFERENCES
Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.
Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.
Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Importance of scientific study of population, sources of Demographic Data and age and sex composition.
Theories of Population: Malthusian, Post-Malthusian and Theory of Demographic Transition.
Fertility: Concept, measurement, Factors affecting Fertility and Fertility in India.
Mortality: Measurement, Analysis by age, Infant and child mortality and Mortality in India.
Migration: Types, measurement, causes and consequences.
Population growth and Population Policy in India.

REFERENCES

Paper I: INTERPRETATIVE SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

Time: 3Hrs.  Max. Marks: 100

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Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Unit-I
Action Approach: Contributions of Max Weber and Talcott Parsons
Symbolic Interactionism: Basic premises, Contributions of G.H. Mead, Herbert Blumer

Unit-II
Phenomenology: Introduction to the perspective, Contributions of A. Schutz, and Peter Berger and Thomas Luckmann.

Unit-III
Critical Theory and Neo Marxism: An Introduction to the perspective, Frankfurt School-J. Habermas and H. Marcuse, and A. Gramsci, and F. Fanon.
A Comparison and Critique of the above perspectives.

References:
Paper II: SOCIAL STRATIFICATION AND SOCIAL MOBILITY

Time: 3Hrs.                                                   Max. Marks: 100

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The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.
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Unit-I


Unit-II

Forms of Social Stratification: Caste, Class, Gender, Social Stratification in Urban and Industrial Settings.
Caste: Concept, As a system of Stratification,
Class: Concept, As a system of stratification, Social Psychology of class, class consciousness.

Unit-III

Social Mobility: Determinants, Patterns of Mobility in Caste and Class, Consequences.
Changing Dimensions of Social Stratification. : Emergence of Middle Class system, Problem of Status-inconsistency.

References:

Paper III & IV (Option-1): RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Time: 3Hrs.                                      Max. Marks: 100

**Note:** *Instructions for the Paper Setters*
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.

**Section A:** It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

**Section B:** The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

* The objective of this paper is to prepare students to take up research and employment in the field of rural development through a broad vision of the concept and its perspectives

**Unit-I**
Rural development: Concept, need and objectives, Rural development: perspectives and contradictions, Environment issues in Indian Agricultural Development Sustainable rural development.

**Unit-II**
Agrarian Reforms in Pre-independence period: The agrarian problem, Productivity of Indian Agriculture, Rural Development before 1947, Agrarian Relations in Pre-independence India.

Rural Development and social transformation: Community Development, Land Reforms, Green Revolution, NREGA, Participatory approach to Rural Development.

**Unit-III**

**References:**


Paper III & IV (Option 2): SOCIAL STATISTICS

Time: 3Hrs.                                      Max. Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters

The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.

Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Unit-I


Unit-II

DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS:
Measurement of Central tendency: Arithmetic Mean, Median and Mode. Measures of Dispersion: Range, Quartile range, Deviation, Mean Deviation and Standard Deviation.

Unit-III

INDUCTIVE STATISTICS:

Note: Due emphasis to be given to interpretation of statistics.

REFERENCES:

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Unit-I
City, Classical Sociological traditions of City: G. Simmel, Marx, Max Weber and Tonnies, Origin and Development of Cities, City in Historical epoch: The pre-industrial city (Sjoberg) Industrial and Post Industrial Cities, Classification of Cities in Ancient and Modern India, Spatial Structure of Indian cities.

Unit-II
(a) Burges’ Concentric Zone theory
(b) Hoyt’s Sector theory
(c) Harris and Ullman’s Multiple Nuclei Theory.
(d) Recent advances in Ecological Theory: Social Area Analysis (Shevky and Bell).

Unit-III
Urbanisation and Urbanism: Concept, Level, Trend and Pattern of Urbanization in India, Consequences of Urbanization, Urbanism as a Way of Life. Urban Issues: Poverty, Slums and Housing.

REFERENCES
Paper-I: PERSPECTIVES ON INDIAN SOCIETY

Time: 3 Hrs.  Max. Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper-Setters.
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lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total
weightage being 20 marks.
Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5
questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Unit-II


Unit-II

Marxian: D.P. Mukherjee, A.R. Desai
Civilizational: N.K. Bose,

Unit-III

Current challenges of Indian Society: Indianisation, Contextualization, Challenges of
Globalization.

References:
172-178.
Delhi: Vikas.
New Delhi: Vistasar Publications.
(1):126-133.
PAPER II – IV (Option 1): ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY

Time: 3Hrs.  
Max. Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.
Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.
Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Unit-I


Unit-II

Sustainable development: Politics of development, socio-cultural critique of sustainable development, Indicators of sustainability

Unit-III

State of India’s Environment: Deforestation and People, Dams and displacement.

Emerging movements: People’s movement for environmental preservation: Chipko & Narmada, Environmental Justice.

References:

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PAPER II – IV (option 2): URBANIZATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Time: 3Hrs.  Max. Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.

Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Unit-I
Theoretical Perspectives: Urban Primacy, Centre-Periphery Model and Neo-Marxist.
Urbanization in India: Trend, Level, Pattern, Regional Disparity, Globalization and Indian Cities.

Unit-II
Consequences of urbanization. Urbanization in Punjab, Impact of Green Revolution on Urbanization

Unit-III
Human Settlements and Habitat Agenda, JNNURM (Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission).

References:


Paper II - IV (Option 3): SOCIOLOGY OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Time: 3Hrs.  Max. Marks: 100

Note: Instructions for the Paper Setters
The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.
Section A: It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.
Section B: The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

Unit-I
Concept of Entrepreneurship: Characteristics and types of Entrepreneur, History of Indian entrepreneurship, Social Profile of Indian Entrepreneurs.

Unit-II
Social Structure and Entrepreneurship: Community Entrepreneurship-Gujarati and Marwari.
Entrepreneurship among Marginal Groups: Women and the Scheduled Castes.
Entrepreneurship and Development: Government and Entrepreneurship, Entrepreneurship Development Programmes.

Unit-III
Entrepreneurship in Punjab: The case of Ramgarhias.
Emerging Issues: Globalisation and entrepreneurship, Indian Entrepreneurs Abroad, Social Entrepreneurship, and Emerging entrepreneurial culture in India.

REFERENCES


PAPER II - IV (Option 4): INDIAN DIASPORA

Time: 3Hrs.  
Max. Marks: 100

**Note:** *Instructions for the Paper Setters*

The question paper will consist of two sections A and B.

**Section A:** It will consist of 10 very short answer questions with answer to each question up to 5 lines in length. All questions will be compulsory. Each question will carry 2 marks, the total weightage being 20 marks.

**Section B:** The paper setter will set ten questions and the candidates will be required to answer 5 questions. Each question will carry 16 marks, the total weightage being 80 marks.

**Unit-I**
Meaning and implications of diaspora – Approaches to the study of diaspora, scope and significance of diasporic studies.
Historical background: colonial period, post-colonial period.

**Unit-II**
Case Studies: Indians in the Caribbean, Fiji, Mauritius, and Malaysia; Punjabis in Canada, the USA and England; the Punjabi Mahtons in Canada and Transient diaspora to the Middle East, particularly from Kerala.

**Unit-III**
Response to immigration: Multiculturalism in the West.
Emerging trends in Indian Diaspora: Gender, Illegal Migrations, Long distance Nationalism, and Contribution of the Diaspora to the homeland.

**REFERENCES**