

Ba/Soc-201

2016

(2nd Semester)

SOCIOLOGY

Paper No. : SOC-201

(Social Stratification and Social Mobility)

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. What do you understand by the term 'social stratification'? Discuss its characteristics.

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Or

- Define social differentiation and describe the causes of social differentiation.

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(Turn Over)

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2. Analyze critically the functionalist approach to social stratification. 9

Or

Discuss Karl Marx's views about the conflict theory of social stratification. 9

3. What is estate system? Discuss the characteristics of estate system as mentioned by T. B. Bottomore. 2+7=9

Or

Define caste. What are the important features of the caste system? 2+7=9

4. Define social mobility. Discuss the horizontal and vertical mobilities. 2+7=9

Or

Critically elaborate on the functions of social mobility in India. 9

5. Define modernization and discuss the problems of modernization. 2+7=9

Or

Write a note on the emerging trends of caste mobility in India. 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. Who has defined social stratification as “the process by which individuals and groups are ranked in a more or less enduring hierarchy of status”?

- (a) Ogburn and Nimkoff ()
- (b) Talcott Parsons ()
- (c) Karl Marx ()
- (d) Kingsley Davis ()

2. Stratification implies

- (a) division of society into 'higher' and 'lower' social units ()
- (b) equality of status for all the groups in society ()
- (c) a system of integrated social relationships ()
- (d) equal distribution of duties and privileges ()

3. According to the functionalist theories

- (a) social stratification is evil ()
- (b) social stratification is necessary ()
- (c) social stratification is mobility ()
- (d) social stratification decreases motivation ()

4. Who among the following sociologists is associated with the conflict theory of social stratification?

- (a) Talcott Parsons ()
- (b) Davis and Moore ()
- (c) Karl Marx ()
- (d) Auguste Comte ()

5. The estate system divided population into

- (a) slaves, serfs and labourers ()
- (b) landlords, tenants and labourers ()
- (c) clergy, nobles and commoners ()
- (d) nobles, soldiers and commoners ()

6. The most rigid and clearly graded type of social stratification is the

- (a) class system ()
- (b) caste system ()
- (c) guilds system ()
- (d) estate system ()

7. A system of stratification in which mobility is almost impossible is called

- (a) open system ()
- (b) closed system ()
- (c) neutral system ()
- (d) no system ()

8. Social mobility is called horizontal when the movement of an individual group or a category of individual is
- (a) totally prohibited ()
 - (b) from one layer to another layer above ()
 - (c) from one layer to another layer below ()
 - (d) from one class in the same layer to another class in the same layer ()
9. "Modernization is the current term for an old process of social change whereby less developed societies acquired the characteristics common to more developed societies." Who said this?
- (a) Smelser ()
 - (b) Daniel Lerner ()
 - (c) Eisenstadt ()
 - (d) Alatas ()
10. There are three pillars of the Indian social system. What are they?
- (a) Joint family, caste and village ()
 - (b) Marriage, tradition and Hinduism ()
 - (c) Caste, family and status ()
 - (d) Village, Jajmani system and Panchayat ()

(5)

SECTION—II

(Marks : 5)

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

1. Social differentiation divides society into different strata.

(T / F)

2. In class system, status is ascribed.

(T / F)

3. Social mobility is the movement of people from one social status to another status.

(T / F)

4. Caste system is a 'closed-rank status group'.

(T / F)

5. As secularization increases, religion loses hold.

(T / F)

SECTION—III

(Marks : 10)

Answer any *five* of the following :

2×5=10

1. Bring out the difference between social stratification and social differentiation.

2. Define class.

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3. Mention two differences between caste and class.

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4. What is slavery?

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5. Explain intragenerational mobility.

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6. What are the causes of modernization?

7. Briefly explain any one characteristic of secularization.
