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(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

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—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.

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3. State the similarities between Magic and Religion.

4. Differentiate between Particularism and Universality.

5. What are instrumental actions?

6. Give some characteristics of sociological imagination.

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