

2025

SOCIOLOGY

Course No. : SOC/C-2

(Perspectives on Indian Society)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer any **five** questions

1. a) "Unity in Diversity" has often been described as the essence of Indian civilization. Critically examine this statement in light of India's cultural diversity. 12

Or

- b) Examine the contemporary challenges faced by tribal communities in the context of globalization, identity politics, and state policies. 12

2. a) Trace the historical development of Sociology and Social Anthropology in India, highlighting the contributions of colonial administrators, missionaries, and early scholars. 12

Or

- b) "The Bombay School of Sociology laid the foundation of modern Indian sociology." Discuss with suitable illustrations. 12

(Turn Over)

3. a) Compare and contrast the perspectives of M. N. Srinivas and S. C. Dube on of continuity and change in Indian rural society from a structural–functional viewpoint. 12

Or

- b) Critically examine the Marxist analysis of caste provided by Desai and Mukerjee. How do they explain the intersection of caste with class in India? 12

4. a) Write a critical note on the challenges of secularism in combating communalism in a pluralistic society like India. 12

Or

- b) Explain the concept of Regionalism in India. Discuss its historical evolution and contributing factors. 4+8

5. Explain the debate on 'Indianization of Sociology'. How do scholars justify the need for culturally rooted sociological frameworks? 6+6

Or

- b) Discuss the continuity of cultural institutions like kinship, clan system, and customary laws in tribal society despite modernization. 12

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