

B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2020**SEMESTER –2: SOCIOLOGY (CORE COURSE)****COURSE: 15U2CRSOC2: BASIC CONCEPTS IN SOCIOLOGY**

(Common for Improvement 2018/ Supplementary 2018 / 2017/2016 /2015 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max Marks: 75

PART A

Answer all questions of the following in one word or sentence.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Social position acquired through our own efforts and accomplishments is called
2. A group consisting of two people
3. Intended, obvious consequences of activity designed to help some part of social system is Function.
4. Is based on the principle that people's beliefs and activities should be interpreted in terms of their culture.
5. is an invisible barrier that blocks the promotion of a qualified individual in a work environment because of the individual's gender, race or ethnicity.
6. is the process of learning new values, norms and expectations when an adult leaves old role and enters new role.
7. Ranking system for groups of people that perpetuate unequal rewards and life chances in a society.
8. is a system of belief that asserts the inferiority of one sex & justifies gender based inequality.
9. are programmes designed to seek out members of backward groups for positions from which they have been excluded.
10. is the name given by G.H. Mead to the important people in an individual's life whose roles are initially imitated? (1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

Answer any Eight of the following questions in two or three sentences.

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Differentiate between society and culture.
12. Is ethnocentrism the opposite of cultural relativism? Explain.
13. Explain the relation between power, status and authority.
14. Are roles and status two separate concepts or two aspects of the same phenomenon? Explain.
15. What are the functions of primary socialization?
16. Why marriage and family are considered as indispensable in most of the societies? Explain.
17. Explain the concept of Gender.
18. Explain the characteristics on social institutions.

19. "Deviance is relative"- Do you agree to this statement.
20. Differentiate between cooperation and competition (2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

Answer any Five of the following in about 100 words each.

Each question carries 5 marks.

21. Explain the importance of primary and secondary group in social life.
22. Find out the important agencies that exert informal social control in a society.
23. Explain the elements of social structure. Bring out the importance of structure to any society.
24. Why culture is considered as the social blue print.
25. What do you understand by the term society and explain about the types of societies.
26. Identify the functions and dysfunctions of deviance.
27. Identify the different types of social interaction found in society. (5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer any Two of the following in about 300 words.

Each question carries 12 marks

28. What is social group? Find out the types and characteristics of social groups that you are familiar with.
29. List out the agents of socialization. Which of these would you say have the most profound effect on the construction of our social selves? Make a case to support your choice.
30. Explain social control. List out the mechanisms of social control a member has to experience in a life time.
31. Explain about the social inequality that exist in societies. Give an overview of the major domains of inequality and segregation people face in everyday life situations. (12 x 2 = 24)
