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M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION APRIL 2017

SEMESTER - 2: SOCIOLOGY

COURSE: 15P2SOCT06 -: CONTEMPORARY THEORY II

(Common for Regular 2016 admission and Supplementary 2015 admission)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

(Answer **all** questions in one or two sentences. 2 marks each)

1. Communicative Rationality
2. Modernity
3. Lifeworld
4. Universal relativism
5. Enlightenment
6. Social system
7. Culture industry
8. Figurational Sociology

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART B

Answer **any five** questions about half page. 4 marks each

9. Briefly explain Richard Emerson's contributions to Exchange theory
10. Give brief account of methodological foundations of critical theory
11. Explain the concept 'Cognitive Dissonance'
12. What do you mean by the term 'Myth and Enlightenment'
13. Describe the term 'Ethnomethodology'
14. Explain the content of Sociology of Knowledge
15. Spring out the contributions of Habermas for the development of Critical theory

(4 x 5 = 20)

PART C

Answer **any three** in about one page. 8 marks each

16. Briefly explain James S Coleman's Rational Choice theory.
17. Distinguish between phenomenology and Ethnomethodology.
18. Explain Randall Collins Micro- Macro Integration
19. Explain Schutz's Phenomenological Sociology

(8 x 3 = 24)

PART D

(Answer **any one** in about 4 pages. 15 marks each)

20. Critically examine George Homans theory of Exchange
21. Write an essay on George Ritzer's Integrated Paradigm

(15 x 1 = 15)
