B.A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2024

SEMESTER 3 : SOCIOLOGY

COURSE : 19U3CRSOC3 : FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT

(For Regular 2023 Admission and Improvement/Supplementary 2022/2021/2020/2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer any 10 (3 marks each)

- 1. Define Social action.
- 2. Define Compound society.
- 3. What is Industrial revolution?
- 4. What is Capitalism?
- 5. What is meant by Social Philosophy?
- 6. What do you understand by 'Social Physics'?
- 7. What are the two principles upon which the theory of Social Darwinism is devised?
- 8. What is objectivity?
- 9. What is known as Humanitarianism?
- 10. What are Normal social facts?
- 11. Explain the notion of 'calling' in Calvinism.
- 12. What do you understand by the term 'sui generis'?
- 13. Expalin Grounded theory.
- 14. Who authored 'Rules of Sociological Methods' and What does the book explain?
- 15. What is refered as 'harmony of organs' in Spencer's organic analogy?

(3 x 10 = 30)

PART B

Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 16. "Protestants were more likely to commit suicide than Catholics". Analyse from the point of view of Durkheim.
- 17. Explain the relation between social philosophy and sociology.
- 18. Discuss the characteristics of Ideal Type.
- 19. "According to Durkheim suicide is neither an individual nor a personal act. It is a social fact". Examine.
- 20. "Sociology has evolved during the period of enlightenment" Analyse.
- 21. Discuss the characteristics of social action.
- 22. Write a short note on the life sketch of Auguste Comte, the founding father of sociology.

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART C

Answer any 2 (10 marks each)

- 23. How does Emile Durkheim explain Division of labour and social solidarity?
- 24. Elaborate on various types of sociological theories and their characteristics.
- 25. Examine the influence of religion on economy with reference to the theoretical point of view of Max Weber.
- 26. Critically evaluate the theory of 'Law of Three Stages' of Auguste Comte.

(10 x 2 = 20)