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SOCIOLOGY (Paper-1)

Exam Name: UPSC IAS Mains SOCIOLOGY (Paper-I)

Marks: 250

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Section-A

**Q1 Answer the following question in about 150 Words each :
10x5=50**

- (a) Discuss the historical antecedents of the emergence of Sociology as a discipline. 10 Marks**
- (b) Davis and Moore made it clear that social stratification is a functional necessity and also an unconscious device. Discuss. 10 Marks**
- (c) What is the Marxist concept of 'fetishism of commodities'? 10 Marks**
- (d) Present a sociological review on the 'new middle class'. 10 Marks**
- (e) Explain the probability sampling strategies with examples. 10 Marks**

Q2 (a) According to Mead, "We play a key role in our own socialization." 20 Marks

(b) Bring out the significance of Ethnography in social research. 20 Marks

(c) What is 'reserve army of labour' ? Present the position of feminist scholars on this. 10 Marks

Q3 (a) Discuss the importance of interpretative understanding of social phenomena and explain its limitations. **20 Marks**

(b) Are all world religions patriarchal ? Substantiate your answer with examples. **20 Marks**

(c) What, according to Merton, is the difference between 'unanticipated consequences' and 'latent functions' ? Give examples to elaborate. **10 Marks**

Q4(a) Modernization presupposes class society; however caste, ethnicity and race are still predominant. Explain. **20 Marks**

(b) Compare and Contrast the contributions of Marx and Weber on social stratification in capitalist society. **20 Marks**

(c) What, according to Irawati Karve, are the Major difference between North Indian and South Indian Kinship system? **10 Marks**

Section-B

**Q5 Answer the following questions in about 150 words each
: 10x5=50**

(a) Differentiate between 'Life-chances' and 'Life-style' with suitable examples. **10 Marks**

(b) Discuss the issues of access and exclusion in higher education in India. **10 Marks**

(c) What is civil society ? Present a note on civil society engagement with science and technology policy in India. **10 Marks**

(d) Critique A.G. Frank's 'development of underdevelopment'. **10 Marks**

(e) How well do you think Tonnie, Durkheim, Weber and Marx predicted the character of Modern society ? Critique. **10 Marks**

Q6(a) Why is gender a dimension of social stratification ? How does gender intersect other dimensions of inequality based on caste, class, race and ethnicity ? **20 Marks**

(b) What are the theoretical models of societal power ? Which one of them is most applicable in advanced industrial societies? **20 Marks**

(c) What is affirmative action? Substantiate theoretical positions on affirmative actions with example. **10 Marks**

Q7(a) What is 'informal labour' ? Discuss the need for and challenges in regulating informal labour in the post-industrial society. **20 Marks**

(b) Feminist scholars argue that 'New media' is masculine and hence reinforces structural hierarchies rather than reconfiguring them. Comment. **20 Marks**

(c) Discuss the concept of circulation of elite. **10 Marks**

Q8(a) In the light of judicial intervention on 'Live-in relationships', discuss the future of marriage and family in India. **20 Marks**

(b) How, according to Merton, are deviant subcultures generated ? **20 Marks**

(c) How is terrorism a new form of asymmetrical warfare? What are some of the challenges in trying to win the war on terrorism? **10 Marks**

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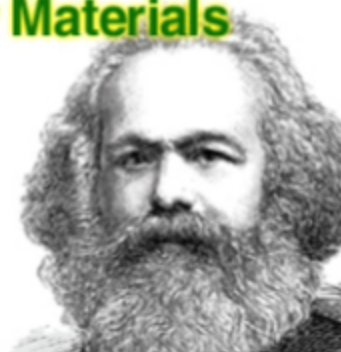
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