

(Exam Paper) UPSC IAS Mains 2004: Sociology

Paper- I

Section A

- 1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
- (a) Objectivity and Value Neutrality in Social Research
- (b) Bureaucracy in New Capitalist Economy
- (c) Gender Roles in Changing Structure of Family
- (d) Class within Caste and Caste within Class
- 2. Give a Critical Review of Emile Durkheim's Theory on Religion and Society. To what extent does it explain the contemporary scenario in Asia?
- 3. 'Socialisation and social control are complementary to each other in maintaining social order.' Elucidate your answer with appropriate illustrations.
- 4. Briefly discuss the Conflict Perspective on social stratification and examine the view that social inequality in India is the function of rigid social stratification system.

Section B

- 5. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
- (a) Authority and Legitimacy
- (b) Privatisation of Education and equality of Opportunity
- (c) Science and Social Responsibility
- (d) Ideology and Strategy of Social Movement
- 6. Examine in detail the impact of new global economy on work organisation and family structure in India.
- 7. Examine the functional as well as dysfunctional aspects of religion in a pluralistic society taking India and the United States of America as illustrative models.

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8. Bring out a comparative analysis of Marxian and Parsonian views of social change and examine the relevance of each view for social development in the contemporary India.

PAPER II

Section A

- 1. Write short notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:
- (a) Caste mobilisation in North India
- (b) Impact of Muslims on Indian Society
- (c) Feudalism and Semi Feudalism
- (d) Social Consequences of Globalisation
- 2. Discuss the influence of socio-cultural factors on age of marriage in India.
- 3. Critically evaluate education as a tool for social justice.
- 4. "The 73rd and 74th constitutional amendments have motivated social mobilisation in rural India." Discuss.

Section B

- 5. Write short notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:
- (a) Role of religion in civil society.
- (b) Migration and tribal communities.
- (c) Socio-cultural factors related to foeticide.
- (d) Strategies of rural development.
- 6. Discuss in detail impact of mass media and education on Indian Society.
- 7. Discuss in detail atrocities on women and suggest annihilative measures for them.
- 8. Analyse socio-cultural consequences of corruption and suggest remedial measures for curbing it.

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