

(Exam Paper) UPSC IAS Mains 2010: Sociology

Paper I

- 1. write short notes on any 4 of the following, keeping sociological perspectives in view in about 200 words each. 15×4 = 60
- a. content analysis
- b. nomothetic & ideographic methods
- c. serendipity
- d. cybernetic hierarchical of control
- e. ethnicity & development
- 2.a. sociology without history is rootless & history without sociology is fruitless. Elaborate. 30 mrks
- b. examine the social dimensions of religious revivalism & fundamentalism in the context of globalization. 30 mrks
- 3.a. work in capitalism is reduced to mere labor in which the individual doesn't develop freely his physical & mental energy but mortifies his body & ruins his mind. Critically evaluate the assertion. 30 mrks
- b. compare Karl Marx with emile Durham with reference to the framework of division of labor. 30 mrks
- 4.a. critically analyze the contributions of g.h. mead to "symbolic interactionism". 30 mrks
- b. examine how open & closed systems of stratification are undergoing transformation in the emergence of new hierarchical social orders in societies. 30 mrks

Section B

- 5. write short notes on any 4 of the following, keeping sociological perspectives in view in about 200 words each. 15x4 = 60
- a. feminization of labor in informal sector
- b. identity politics
- c. positive religion
- d. kinship & social capital e. human relation school of thought by Elton mayo as a social organization of work process in industry

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- 6.a. there has been the substantial decline in labor class & increase in labor force in non- manual jobs with the advent of new technological revolution. critically examine. 30 mrks
- b. discuss between people being socially excluded & people excluding themselves socially in societies. 15 mrks
- c. science has empirical means to logical ends & religion has non-empirical means to logical ends. Comment. 15 mrks
- 7.a. list the source of power & explain the various indicators based on which power can be measured. 30 mrks
- b. analyze social impact of market economy on traditional societies. 15 mrks
- c. examine the social dimensions of displacement induced by development. 15 mrks
- 8.a. evaluate how civil society & democracy mutually reinforce each other. 30 mrks
- b. examine karl marx's views on "class-in-itself' & "class-for-itself' with reference to proletarians. 30 mrks.

Paper II

- 1. write short notes on sociological perspectives on the following not more than 200 words each. 3x20 =60
- a. a.r. desai's characterization of leadership of Indian freedom movement
- b. women in IT sector c. the parsi community & its contribution to Indian society
- 2. comment critically on each of the following in 200 words. $3\times20 = 60$
- a. the heterogenic features that influenced Indian tradition, according to yogendra singh
- b. linkage between patriarchy & honor killings
- c. Dumont's concept of homohierarchies.
- 3. a. with reference to their understanding of the Indian village, compare the perspective of m.n.srinivas & s.c. dube 30 mks
- b. critically assess the forms in which untouchability continues to be practiced . 30 mks
- 4.a. discuss the inter-relationships between caste, class & power . 30 mks
- b. how far is structural functional perspective helpful inj understanding changes in contemporary Indian society?

Section B

- 5. write short notes on sociological perspectives on the following not more than 200 words each. Your answer should have sociological perspective . $3\times20=60$
- a. factors responsible for increasing demands for the formation of separate states
- b. social security measures for the elderly c. ethnic movements
- 6.a. evaluate the policy of SEZ & nature of social response to it. 30 mks
- b. from sociological perspective, examine the effects of the BPO industry on the youth. 30 mks
- 7.a. identify the reasons for the resilience of democratic system in India. 30 mks
- b. assess the contribution of contemporary women's movements in women's empowerment. 30 mks
- 8.a. discuss the social-cultural factors for the declining sex-ratio in some states of India. 30 mks
- b. highlight the important dimensions of inter-caste conflict in India. 30 mks



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