

Sociology Paper II

Time Allowed: Three Hours | Maximum Marks: 250

Question Paper Specific Instructions

- There are EIGHT questions divided in TWO SECTIONS and printed both in HINDI and in ENGLISH.
- Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.
- Questions no. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, any THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each section.
- The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.
- Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

SECTION A

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| 1 | Write short answers to the following questions in about 150 words each, with a sociological perspective: | 50 |
| 1(a) | Elaborate Srinivas's views on religion and society among the Coorgs. | 10 |
| 1(b) | Illustrate the contributions of the Tebhaga Movement to the peasants struggle in India. | 10 |
| 1(c) | Examine the changing initiatives of the land tenure system in India. | 10 |
| 1(d) | Write a note on Ghurye's conception of caste in India. | 10 |
| 1(e) | Comment on the growing assertion of tribal community for autonomy in India. | 10 |
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| 2(a) | Critically examine Dube's contributions to the study of Indian villages. | 20 |
| 2(b) | What is caste politics? Substantiate your answer with examples of how identities are defined by caste dynamics. | 20 |
| 2(c) | Do you think that the Indian saints have brought about social reform and awareness in Indian society? Explain. | 10 |
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| 3(a) | What is ethno-nationalism? Examine the critical factors responsible for tribal discontent in India. | 20 |
| 3(b) | Is industrial development in India a bane or a boon to agrarian class structure? Substantiate your answer with suitable examples. | 20 |
| 3(c) | Give an account of Ranajit Guha's approach in studying 'subaltern class'. | 10 |
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| 4(a) | Define patriarchy. Does it have bearings on women's entitlement in Indian family system? Explain. | 20 |

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| 4(b) | How do you understand the 'minority' question? Examine the violence and discrimination against the religious minorities in India. | 20 |
| 4(c) | What do you understand by LGBTQ? Comment on the issues concerning their marriage rights. | 10 |

SECTION B

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| 5 | Write short answers to the following questions in about 150 words each, with a sociological perspective: | 50 |
| 5(a) | Comment on the critical issues of commercialization of higher education in India. | 10 |
| 5(b) | Discuss the challenges in implementing the Rural Development Programmes in India. | 10 |
| 5(c) | Elaborate urbanism as a way of life in India. | 10 |
| 5(d) | Comment on the changing democratic profile of India. | 10 |
| 5(e) | Elucidate the concerns of growing urban displacement dynamics in India. | 10 |
| 6(a) | Examine the importance of Development Planning in Indian Mixed Economy, and analyze its problems and prospects. | 20 |
| 6(b) | Highlight the main features of the 'Inter-linking of Rivers' project in India. What could be its probable advantages to Indian agriculture? | 20 |
| 6(c) | Has reduction of green cover affected ecological degradation leading to global warming? Elaborate your answer with illustration. | 10 |
| 7(a) | Do you think that 'demonetization' has accelerated the economic growth in India? How do you understand the informalization of labour, underemployment and gender discrimination in this context? | 20 |
| 7(b) | Discuss the implications of 'Swachha Bharat Abhiyan'. Do you think that civil society has a role to play here? Substantiate your answer with examples. | 20 |
| 7(c) | Do you agree that social movements are caused by opportunity structures that are generated by media? Why? | 10 |
| 8(a) | Why has 'active aging' become a global goal? Do you agree that the role of elderly care-giving is disproportionately gendered in developing countries? Why? | 20 |
| 8(b) | What is POSH Act? "Identification of tormentor by women at workplace does not come easily even today." Examine the statement with substantive examples from India. | 20 |

- 8(c) What is 'social security'? Examine recent security measures adopted by the Government in India. 10
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