



TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
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SYLLABUS

OF

Sociology
(General & Major)

Semester Pattern

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Syllabus of Sociology (Honours)
(Semester Pattern)

<i>SEMESTER</i>	<i>Course Code</i>	<i>Title of Paper</i>
Semester I	SOC UG-101	Basic Concepts in Sociology
Semester II	SOC UG-201	Sociological Thought
Semester III	SOC UG-301	Basic Concepts in Sociology
Semester IV	SOC UG-401	Basic Concepts in Sociology
Semester V	SOC UG-501	Basic Concepts in Sociology
	SOC UG-501	Basic Concepts in Sociology
Semester VI	SOC UG-601	Rural and Urban Sociology
	SOC UG-602	Industrial Sociology

Syllabus of Sociology (General)
(Semester Pattern)

<i>SEMESTER</i>	<i>Course Code</i>	<i>Title of Paper</i>
Semester I	SOE -101	Introduction to Sociology
Semester II	SOE -202	Foundation of Sociological thought
Semester III	SOE -303	Society of India
Semester IV	SOE -404	Social Research Methods
Semester V	SOE-505	Social problems in India

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TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER I
SOC UG – 101 HONOURS
BASIC CONCEPTS IN SOCIOLOGY

Unit I: Basic Concepts

1. Sociology and the study of Society; Community and Association
2. Status and role
3. Institutions: Family & Kinship, Education, Religion, Economy and Politics
4. Groups and its types
5. Social Processes

Unit II: Culture, Socialization and Social Control

1. Components of culture: Values, Norms & Beliefs
2. Culture shock, ethnocentrism and xenophobia
3. Social Control
4. Agents of socialization and Social Control
5. Conformity and Deviance

Unit III: Social Stratification

1. Basis of social stratification
2. Forms of social stratification: Sex and gender, Race and ethnicity, Caste, Class and Power
3. The nature and sources of inequality; inequality and social stratification
4. Social Mobility

Unit IV: Social Change

1. Concepts of Social Change, Evolution, Progress and Development.
2. Theories of social change
3. Types of Social Change
4. Factors of Social Change

Essential Reading:

1. Alex Inkeles: (1975). Sociology. London: Prentice Hall
2. Berger, Peter. (1966). An Invitation to Sociology – A Humanist Perspective.
3. Bottomore, T.B, (1962). Sociology. London: George Allen and Unwin
4. Giddens, Anthony. (2013). Sociology, 7th Edition. Cambridge: Polity Press.
5. Harlambos, M and Heald, R. M. (2006). Sociology: Theme and perspective, London: Harper Collins.
6. Jayaram, N. (1987). Introductory Sociology. Macmillan Press Limited.
7. Johnson, Harry, M. (1973). Sociology. Bombay: Allied Publishers,
8. Kuppaswamy, B. (1984). Social Change in India, Delhi: Vikas Publications
9. Maclonis, John. (1996). Sociology New Jersey: Prentice Hall

Recommended Readings:

1. Bauman, Zygmunt. (1990). Thinking Sociologically. London: Blackwell
2. Fulcher, James and John Scott. (2007). Sociology. Third Ed. OUP
3. Worsley, Peter. Ed (1970). Modern Sociology: Introductory readings. Harmondsworth: Penguin
4. Ganguli, Ramanuj and S.A.H. Molnuddin (2nd edition). 2013. Samakaleen Samjattwa. Bani Prakashan, Rina Publication, Kolkata.

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER I
SOE– 101 - ELECTIVE
INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

Unit-I: The Nature of Sociology

1. The meaning of sociology – the Sociological Perspectives
2. Relationship of Sociology with other Social Science (Anthropology, Economics, History, Political Science and Psychology)
3. The nature and scope of sociology
4. Sociology as a science

Unit-II: Basic Concepts

1. Society, Community, Institution, Association, Groups, Social Structure, Status and Role
2. Social Processes: Associative and Dissociative
3. Socialization, Norms, Values, Social Conformity and Deviance
4. Culture, Social Control and Sanction

Unit-III: Institutions and their Interrelations

1. Family
2. Religion
3. Education
4. Politics
5. Economy

Unit-IV: Social Stratification and Change

1. Basis of social stratification
2. Forms of social stratification: Sex and gender, Race and ethnicity, Caste, Class & Power
3. Social change: meaning, forms and theories
4. Factors of social change

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1. Alex Inkeles: (1975). Sociology. London: Prentice Hall
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8. Mac Iver, R. M. and C. H. Page (1949); Society: An Introductory Analysis. New York: Holt
9. Macionis, John, (1996). Sociology. New Jersey: Prentice Hall.
10. Mills, C. Wright, (1967). The Sociological Imagination, Harmondsworth: Penguin
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TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER II
SOC UG – 201 HONOURS
SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT

Unit-I: Rise of Sociology

1. Enlightenment and its critique
2. Industrial Revolution and French Revolution
3. Positivism and its critique
4. Positivism and humanistic orientations of Sociological study, Sociological Imagination
5. Growth of Sociology and Social Anthropology in India

Unit-II: Classical Sociology – I

1. **Comte**: Positivism, Social Statics and Dynamics, Hierarchy of Sciences, Morality, Major contributions
2. **Spencer**: Evolution, Social Darwinism, Individualism, Major contributions
3. **Durkheim**: Social Fact, Suicide, Division of Labour, Religion, Morality, Major contributions

Unit-III: Classical Sociology-II

1. **Marx**: Dialectical and Historical Materialism, Base and Superstructure, Class Struggle, Alienation, Major contributions.
2. **Simmel**: Formal Sociology, Modern Culture, Dialectical Approach, Major Contributions
3. **Weber**: Social Action, Ideal Type, Authority, The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism, Major contribution.

Unit-IV: Sociology in India

1. **Benoy Sarkar**: Nature of Sociology, Progress, Personality, Indian Tradition, Major contributions
2. **Dhurjati Prasad Mukerji**: Nature of Sociology, Personality, Indian Tradition and Social Change, Major contribution
3. **G. S. Ghurye**: Caste, Tribe, Culture and Civilization, Major contributions
4. **M.N. Srinivas**: Caste & Varna, Social Change, Village, Major contributions

Essential Readings

1. Bhupendra Kumar Nagla. (2008). *Indian Sociological Thought*, Jaipur, Rawat Publication.
2. Bhattacharyya, Swapan Kumar. (1990). *Indian Sociology; The Role of Benoy Kumar Sarkar*, The University of Burdwan, Burdwan.
3. Coser, Lewis. A. (1979). *Master of Sociological Thought*, New Delhi; Rawat Publication.
4. Dhanagare, D.N. (1993). *Themes and Perspectives in Indian Sociology*, Rawat Publication.
5. I.S. Kon (ed), (1989). *A History of Classical Sociology*, Progress publishers, Moscow
6. Irving M. Zeitlin. (2000), *Ideology and Development of Sociological Theory* (7th Edition), Prentice-Hall
7. Mill, C. Wright, (1967), *The Sociological Imagination*, Harmondsworth; penguin.
8. M. Francis Abraham, (1982), *Modern Sociological Theory-An Introduction*, Oxford University Press, India.
9. Pramanik, S.K. 1994, *Sociology of G.S. Ghurye*, Rawat Publication, Jaipur.
10. Raymond Aron. (1998), *Main Currents in Sociological Thought* (Vol. 1 & 2), Transaction Publishers
11. Timasheff, Nicholas Sergeyevitch, (1967), *Sociological Theory: Its nature and growth*, 3rd edition, Random House,

Recommended Readings:

1. Bandopadhyay, Bholanath and Krishnadas Chattopadhyay (ed.). (2012). *Bharater Samajtattwa Chintadhara*, Levant Books, Kolkata.
2. Bhattacharyya, Swapan Kumar and Gayatri Bhattacharyya. (2010). 'Dhurjati Prasad Samajtattwa', in Subir Bhattacharjee (Ed.) *Dhurjati Prasad Rachanabali*, Dey's Publishing House, Kolkata.
3. Gupta, Bella Datta. (1972). *Sociology in India*. Centre for Social Research, Kolkata., Kolkata: Pragatishil Prakashak.
4. Giddens, Anthony. (1971), *Capitalism and Modern Social Theory: An Analysis of the Writings of Marx, Durkheim and Weber*, Cambridge University Press
5. H.E. Barnes, (1948). *An Introduction to the History of Sociological Thought; Chicago*: University of Chicago Press.
6. Nisbet, Robert. (1967). *The Sociological Tradition*, London: Heinemann Publisher.

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER II
SOE – 202 - ELECTIVE
FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT

Unit I: The Emergence of Sociology

1. Transition from social philosophy to sociology – The Intellectual context
2. Enlightenment – The social, economic and political forces
3. The French and Industrial Revolutions

Unit II: The classical tradition

1. Comte: Positivism, Social Change
2. Spencer: Social Darwinism, Super-organic evolution
3. Durkheim: Social solidarity, Suicide, Division of Labour and Religion
4. Weber: Ideal Type, Authority, The Protestant Ethic and the spirit of capitalism
5. Marx: Dialectical and historical materialism, class struggle
6. Pareto: Residue, Derivations and Circulation of elites.

Unit III: Schools of Sociological Theory

1. Functionalism – major arguments and critique
2. Conflict school – major arguments and critique
3. Social Action perspective – major arguments and critique

Unit IV: Sociology in India

1. Growth of Sociology and Social Anthropology in India
2. Benoy Sarkar (1887 – 1968)
3. Dhurjati Prasad Mukherjee (1894-1961)
4. G. S. Ghurye
5. M. N. Srinivas

Essential Readings:

1. Aron, Raymond, (1967), (1982 Reprint), Main currents in Sociological thought (2 volumes), Harmondsworth, Middlesex: Penguin Books.

2. Bandopadhyay, Bholanath and Krishnadas Chattopadhyay (ed.). (2012). *Bharater Samajtattick Chintadhara*, Levant Books, Kolkata.
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10. Pramanik, S.K. 1994, *Sociology of G. S. Ghurye*, Rawat Publication, Jaipur
11. Singh, Yogendra (1986); *Indian Sociology: Social Conditioning and Emerging Trends*, New Delhi: Vistaar.
12. Timasheff, Nicholas Sergeyevitch, (1967), *Sociological Theory: Its nature and growth*, 3rd edition, Random House,
13. Zeitlin, Irving (1998); *Indian Edition, Rethinking Sociology: A critique of Contemporary Theory*, Jaipur, Rawat Publication.

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER III
SOC UG – 301 HONOURS
SOCIETY IN INDIA

Unit I: Basic Institutions of Indian Society-I
Family, Marriage and Kinship

1. Family and Household: Types, Functions and changes
2. Kinship and Descent: Types, Importance, Changes and Regional variations
3. Marriage: Types, Rules and changes
4. Patriarchy and Sexual Division of Labour.

Unit II: Basic Institutions of Indian Society-II
Tribe and Religion

1. Problems in defining a Tribe in India; Tribe – Caste Continuum
2. Geographical Spread: Group of Tribes, Sub-Tribe, Moiety, Phratry, Family, Problems of Indian Tribes;
3. Colonial Policies and Issues of Integration and Autonomy in Tribal Life
4. Religion: Concept, Significance and Functions
5. Indian Religious Communities and Problems of Religious Minorities.

Unit III: Social Stratification in India

1. 'Varna' and 'Jati': Origin and Nature, Caste and Class
2. Features of Caste system: Jajmani system and the Ideology of Purity and Pollution
3. Changing Nature of Caste system: Dominant Caste, Sanskritization, Westernization, Scheduled Caste and Other Backward Classes
4. Caste, Class and Power in India

Unit IV: Social Change in India

1. Social Change in Pre-British and British India
2. Pluralism and Diversity: Great Tradition and Little Tradition, Reconciling Traditional and Modern Values
3. Westernization, Modernization and Globalization

Essential Reading:

1. Ahuja, Ram (1993), Indian Social System, Rawat Publication, Jaipur
2. Beteille, Andre (2012rpt) Caste, Class and power: Changing pattern of Stratification in Tanjore Village, Oxford University Press.
3. Bose, N.K., The Structure of Hindu Society
4. G, Dipankar, 1992, Social Stratification, Oxford University Press
5. Fuller C. J., Caste Today, New Delhi: OUP, 1996
6. Madan T.N., Pathways, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1992
7. Madan T.N., Religion in India, Delhi: OUP
8. Mandelbaum David (1970), Society in India, University of California press. London
9. Singh Y., (1993), Social Change in India, Published by: Har-Anand Publications. New Delhi
10. Srinivas, 1995, M.N., Caste and its Twentieth Century Avatar, Penguin Books India (P) Ltd, 1997
11. Srinivas M. N., 1962, Caste in Modern India and other Essays, Asia Publisher
12. Thapar R. (1977), Tribe, Caste and Religion in India, Published by: Macmillan Co. of India. New Delhi
13. Uberoi, Patricia, Family Kinship and marriage in India, OUP, 2005
14. Vidhyarthi L. P. (1985), Tribal Culture of India, Concept Publishing house. New Delhi.
15. Xaxa, Virginius, 1999, Transformation of Tribes in India: Terms of Discourse, Economic and Political Weekly, Vol 34:24, June, pp. 1519-1524

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER III
SOE – 303 – ELECTIVE
SOCIETY IN INDIA

Unit I: Nature and Feature of Indian Society

1. Society in pre-British and British India: Landownership pattern, Self-sufficient village economy. Growth of rural poverty and indebtedness and rise of new social classes
2. Modern India: Symbol of unity and diversity; Problems of national integration
3. Concept of Village, Towns and cities: Features and Growth

Unit II: Composition of Indian Society

1. Changing status of women, Problems and Empowerment
2. Tribes in India: General Features of Tribal Society; Problems in Defining a Tribe in India, Tribe-Caste Continuum; Group of Tribes, Tribe, Sub Tribe, Moiety, Phratry
3. Schedule Caste and Other Backwards Class – Problems and upliftment measures

Unit III: Basic Institutions of Indian Society

1. Caste system – social mobility in the caste system: Jajmani system, Sanskritization; Caste and Class
2. Family: Types, Function and Changing Nature of Family in India
3. Kinship – Definition, Types, Usage and importance in Social Life
4. Marriage – Types, Rules and changes

Unit IV: Convergence and Ideas related to Indian Society

1. Decentralization and Rural development in India: Role of Panchayati Raj system with special reference to Tripura
2. Pattern of Urbanization in India: Characteristic, Features and social effects
3. Westernization, Modernization and Globalization of India Society.

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1. Ahuja, Ram (1993), Indian Social System, Rawat Publication, Jaipur
2. Fuller C. J., Caste Today, New Delhi: OUP, 1996
3. Mandelbaum David (1970), Society in India, University of California press. London
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5. Vidhyarthi L. P. (1985), Tribal Culture of India, Concept Publishing house. New Delhi

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER IV
SOC UG – 401HONOURS
CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL PROBLEMS IN INDIA

Unit – I

1. Social problems: Meaning, Nature, Characteristics, Causes and Significance of study
2. Types of Disorganization: Social, Personal and Familial
3. Deviant Behaviour: Meaning, Types and Causes

Unit – II

1. Alcoholism: Drug addiction
2. AIDS: Ageism
3. Violence against women: Girl Children & Child Labour
4. Ethnic Problems and Violence: Causes, Effects, Measures of Control

Unit – III

1. Poverty and Unemployment: Concept and Magnitude: Causes & Consequences: Strategies for Alleviating Poverty.
2. Population: Trends and Policies in India: Migration: Causes & Consequences, Population Explosion: Causes and consequences.
3. Communalism: Concept & varieties, Problems
4. Casteism: Meaning & Caste related violence

Unit – IV

1. Crime: Meaning, causes
2. Juvenile Delinquency: Meaning, Causes-Prevention and Rehabilitation.
3. Cyber Crime: Corruption
4. Terrorism: Causes, Effects, Measures of control

Essential Reading:

Ahuja, Ram (2000): Social Problems in India, New Delhi: Rawat Publications.

Berremann, G.D. 1979, Caste and other inequalities; Essays on Inequality, Merrut: Folklore Institute

Burra, Neera.(2010) Born to work, New Delhi; OUP

Bose, Ashish.(1991)Demographic Diversity in India, Delhi, India: B.R.Publishing Corporation.

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER V
SOE – 404
SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS

Unit-I:

1. Social Research: Meaning, Scope and Significance.
2. Objective and Subjective in Social Research.
3. Theory and Fact in Social Research.
4. Ethics of Social Research.

Unit-II:

1. Methods and Types of Social Research: Quantitative and Qualitative; Descriptive, Exploratory, Explanatory and Experimental Research; Basic and Applied Research.
2. Conceptualization and formulation of Hypothesis.
3. Source of data: Primary and Secondary.
4. Research Design: Experimental, Cross-Section, Longitudinal, Case Study and Comparative

Unit - III:

1. Survey Method, Questionnaire.
2. Interview
3. Observation
4. Ethnography
5. Case Study.

Unit - IV:

1. Sampling: Definition and Types
2. Utility of Different Types of Sampling.
3. Use of Statistics in sociology; Measures of Central Tendency
4. Report Writing

Essential Readings:-

- Amir B. Marvasti, 2004, Qualitative Research in Sociology, London: Sage.
- Babbie, Earl. 1995, (7th Edition), The Practice of Social Research, Belmont: CA Wadsworth.
- Bailey, K., 1994, Methods of social research. Simon and Schuster, 4th ed. The Free Press New York NY 10020.
- Beteille, A. 2002, Sociology: Essays on Approach and Method, New Delhi: OUP.
- Beteille, A and Madan, T.N. 1975. Encounter and Experience: Personal accounts of Field work. New Delhi: Vikas Publishing House.
- Bryman, Alan, 2004, Quantity and Quality in Social research, New York: Routledge.
- Gupta, S.P., 2007. Elementary Statistical Methods. Sultan Chand & Sons.
- Jayaram, N. 1989. Sociology: Methods and Theory. Madras: MacMillian.
- Kothari, C.R. Research Methodology. New Delhi: Vishwa Prakashan, 1990
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- Srivastava, V.K (ed.) 2004. Methodology and Fieldwork. New Delhi: OUP
- Srinivas, M.N. and A.M.Shah. 1979, Fieldworker and the Field. New Delhi, OUP
- Young, P.V. 1988. Scientific Social Surveys and Research. New Delhi: Prentice Hall

Recommended Reading:-

- Bajaj and Gupta. 1972. Elements of Statistics. New Delhi: R.Chand and Co.
- Brown, Radcliffe, A.R. 1958, Methods in Social Anthropology, Delhi: Asia Publishing Corporation.
- Durkheim, E. 1958, The Rules of Sociological Method, New York: The Free Press.
- Goode, W.E. and P.K.Hatt. 1952. Methods in Social Research. New York: McGraw Hill.
- Lofland J. and Lofland L. 1984, Analysing Social Settings: A Guide to Qualitative Observation and Experiment, California: Wadsworth
- Mills, C.W. 1959, The Sociological Imagination, London: OUP
- Nesbet, Robert, 1976, Sociology as an art form
- Weber, Max. 1949, the Methodology of the Social Sciences, New York: The Free Press.

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER V
SOC UG - 501
METHODOLOGY OF SOCIAL RESEARCH
(FIFTH PAPER)

Unit-I:

1. Social Research: Meaning, Scope and Significance.
2. Positivism and Empiricism in Sociology: A Critique
3. Objective and Subjective in Social Research.
4. Theory and Fact in Social Research.
5. Ethics of Social Research.

Unit-II:

1. Types of Social Research: Quantitative and Qualitative; Descriptive, Exploratory, Explanatory and Experimental Research; Basic and Applied Research.
2. Methods: Comparative, Historical, & Empirical
3. Conceptualization and formulation of Hypothesis.
4. Source of data: Primary and Secondary.
5. Research Design: Experimental, Cross-Section, Longitudinal, Case Study and Comparative

Unit - III:

1. Breaking down the Quantitative-Qualitative Divide: Triangulation of Research
2. Survey Method, Questionnaire, & Interview
3. Observation
4. Ethnography & Case Study.

Unit - IV:

1. Sampling: Definition and Types, Utility of Different Types of Sampling.
2. Use of Statistics in sociology; Measures of Central Tendency
3. Report Writing Process: Coding, tables, graphs, histograms

4. Report Writing

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- Weber, Max. 1949, the Methodology of the Social Sciences, New York: The Free Press.

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER V
SOC UG – 502 HONOURS
SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY
(SIXTH PAPER)

Unit-I:

1. Meaning, Nature and Scope of Sociological Theory
2. Philosophical Perspectives of Sociological Theories: Positivism, Hermeneutics
3. Recent Trends in Sociological Theory: Major arguments of Structuration and Post-Modern Theory

Unit-II:

1. Functionalism- Major Arguments and Critical Appraisal
2. Contributions of Radcliffe Brown & Malinowski
3. Contributions of Talcott Parsons & Robert Merton

Unit - III:

1. Structuralism – Major Arguments
2. Contribution of Claude Levi-Strauss
3. Symbolic Interactionism: Major Arguments
4. Contribution of Charles Horton Cooley & George Herbert Mead.

Unit - IV:

1. Conflict Theory: Arguments of Karl Marx & Simmel
2. Contribution of Dahrendorf & Cosers
3. Exchange Theory: Major Arguments
4. Phenomenology and Ethnomethodology: Major Arguments

Essential Readings:-

- Abraham, Francis, 1983; Modern Sociological Theory
- Baert Patrick, 1998, Social Theory in the Twentieth Century, Polity Press.
- Bottomore and Nisbet, 1978, A History of Sociological Analysis, Heinemann, Coser,
- Lewis, A. 1979. Masters of Sociological Thought, New York: Harcourt Brace.
- Collins, R. 1956. The Functions of Social Conflict, New York: The Free Press.
- Levi-Strauss, C. 1993. “Structure and Dialectics”, in Structural Anthropology Volume. Harmondsworth: Penguin.
- Merton, R.K. 1968. Social Theory and Social Structure, New York: Free Press.
- Mead, G.H. 1934 (Fourteenth Impression 1967), Mind Self and Society, Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Part III
- Parsons, T. and E. Shils (eds) 1951. Towards a General Theory of Action. New York. Harper and Row Publishers.
- Ritzer, George. 1992. Modern Sociological Theory, New York: McGraw-Hill
- Smart Barry, Michael Foucault, 2002, Routledge.
- Turner, Jonathan H. 1995. The Structure of Sociological Theory, (4th Edition), Jaipur and New Delhi: RAwat.
- Wallace and Wolf, 1985, Contemporary Sociological Theory, Prentice Hall.

Recommended Readings

1. Bert N. Adams & R.A. Sydie, 2001, Sociological Theory, Pine Forge press, Sage
2. Sobhanlal Datta Gupta, 2012; Marxism and Post-modernism

TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
ELECTIVE PAPER / SEMESTER – V
SOCIAL PROBLEMS IN INDIA
SOE – 505

Unit – I:

1. Social problems: Meaning, Nature, Characteristics, Causes and Significance of Society
2. Types of Disorganization: Social, Personal and Familial
3. Deviance: Meaning, Types and Causes

Unit – II:

1. Alcoholism: Drug addiction
2. AIDS
3. Child Labour
4. Violence against Women
5. Corruption

Unit – III:

1. Poverty: concept, causes & consequences; Strategies for Alleviating Poverty.
2. Unemployment
3. Illiteracy: Causes & Consequences
4. Population Explosion: Causes and consequences.
5. Problems of Elderly Persons

Unit – IV:

1. Crime: Meaning, Types and Causes, Cyber Crime
2. Juvenile Delinquency: Meaning, Causes-Prevention and Rehabilitation.
3. Communalism: Concept, Types & Factors
4. Casteism: Concept & Consequences
5. Terrorism: Causes & Effects

Essential Reading:

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TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
SEMESTER VI
SOC UG – 601 HONOURS
RURAL AND URBAN SOCIOLOGY
(SEVENTH PAPER)

Unit-I:

1. Origin, Scope, Subject matter & Importance of Rural Sociology
2. Meaning of the term 'Rural', Distinguishing features of 'Rural': Ecological, Economic, Social, Cultural
3. Agrarian Society and Agrarian Class Structure in India
4. The myth of 'self-sufficient village community'; Dynamics and Changes in Rural Society; Impact of Migration

Unit-II:

1. Rural Social Structure
2. Rural Social Stratification
3. Rural Economy and Polity-Jajmani System and Panchayati Raj
4. Evaluation of Some Rural Development Scheme: CDP, MGNREGA, IRDP & SGSY

Unit-III:

1. Origin, Scope, Subject matter & Importance of Urban Sociology
2. Notion of Urban spaces & Urbanism; Urban Community and its Distinctive Features
3. Origin & Growth of cities, City Characteristics and Types, Classification of Urban Centres in India
4. Rural-Urban Contrast & Rural-Urban Continuum & Rural-Urban interactions

Unit-IV:

1. Processes and Patterns of Urbanization in India
2. Impact of Urbanization in Indian Society
3. Urban Issues – Housing, Basic Amenities, Sanitation, Unemployment, Poverty, Slums and Environment
4. Democratic Decentralization-Role of Urban Local Bodies in India

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1. Origin, Nature, Scope of Industrial Sociology
2. Industry as a Social System
3. Changing Nature of work
4. Growth of Unorganized/Informal Sector

Unit-II:

1. Conceptualizing Industrial Society, Salient Features Industrial Society, Post-Industrial Society
2. Industrial organization-Features, Pre-requisites and Functions
3. Approaches to the study of Industrial Societies: The Classical Approach, Scientific Management, Human Relation Theory

Unit-III:

1. Labour management Relations-Conciliation, Collective bargaining and Adjudication.
2. Participatory Management
3. Human Resource Management

Unit-IV:

1. Trade Union-Origin, Growth, its Importance
2. History of Trade Union movement in India
3. Challenges of Trade Union in the Age of Globalization

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