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Ph.D. ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

SOCIOLOGY

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

Instructions :

- 1) Answer **any ten** questions each from Section **A** and **B**.
- 2) Each question carries **5** marks.
- 3) No additional Answer sheets will be provided.
- 4) Candidates should clearly indicate the section, Question number in the answer booklet.

Section – A

Research Methodology

Answer any **ten** questions. All Questions carry equal marks.

1. Explain research methodology.
2. Distinguish between method, methodology and epistemology.
3. Explain the features of scientific method.
4. What is the importance of Theory in Social Research?
5. Describe the various steps in Social Research with a suitable example.
6. Compare the quantitative and qualitative methods.

7. Examine the use of Statistics in social research.
8. Discuss the dilemmas and perspectives in social research.
9. Explain the features of Case Study research design.
10. Explain 'cohort' study.
11. How Research Design is important in framing method of investigation in a research process?
12. Write a note on the importance of Review of Literature in research.
13. Explain empirical research.
14. Explain qualitative Sampling Techniques with suitable examples.
15. What are the significant features of a good Research Report?

(10 × 5 = 50 Marks)

Section – B

Sociology

Answer any **ten** questions. All Questions carry equal marks.

1. What is the concept of social fact according to Durkheim?
2. Analyze the evolution of Functionalism and Neo-functionalism.
3. What is Middle range theory? Examine the theory of latent and manifest functions as given by Robert K. Merton.
4. Discuss the nature and status of Sociological theorizing in India.
5. Write a note on Dramaturgy.
6. Discuss the role played by the Panchayat Raj institutions in bringing about changes in Indian rural society.

7. What are the main features of communalism in India?
8. Examine the System theory of Talcott Parsons.
9. Compare and contrast Modernization and Globalisation in Indian context.
10. What are lifeworlds according to Habermas?
11. "Kerala is a consumer state", critically discuss.
12. Elucidate the contributions of Claude Levi-Strauss to Structuralism.
13. Critically analyze the conflict perspectives of Marx and Dahrendorf.
14. Discuss the role that Kudumbashree plays in society in Kerala.
15. Write a critique on the theoretical perspectives of G.S. Ghurye and Louis Dumont in the study of Indian society.

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