

KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUI STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY

MA 1st Sem. Examination, 2014

Paper - 000

Sociological Theories - I

Time : 3 Hrs.

Full Marks : 80

1. Answer any five questions from the following 2×5 = 10
 - (a) Mention any two proponents of anti-Enlightenment thought as reflected in the French Catholic counter revolutionary philosophy.
 - (b) Name the two types of solidarity Durkheim talks about.
 - (c) Name any two types of authority described by Max Weber.
 - (d) Name any two Marxists who made significant contributions to study of dialectical materialism.
 - (e) State the concept of social action enunciated by Weber.
 - (f) What is meant by the term Industrial Revolution?
 - (g) Name any two pre-capitalist modes of production mentioned by Karl Marx.
2. Answer any three questions from the following 4×3 = 12
 - (a) State the significance of Classical Sociological theories.
 - (b) Explain briefly Positive philosophy as believed by Auguste Comte.
 - (c) Examine Marx's concept of alienation.
 - (d) How does Weber explain the transition from feudal, pre-industrial society to modern industrial society?
 - (e) How does Durkheim explain that social factors external to the individual could influence the individual's act of committing suicide?
3. Answer any three questions from the following 6×3 = 18
 - (a) Why does Marx say that human history is the history of class struggle?
 - (b) Explain the basic paradigmatic assumptions of sociological theory.
 - (c) Discuss Rousseaun's concept of the State of Nature.
 - (d) Discuss Weber's correlation between Religion and Social Change.
 - (e) Explain Durkheim's opinions on repressive law and restitutive law.
4. Answer any four questions from the following 10×4 = 40
 - (a) Discuss the social forces leading to the growth and development of Sociological Theory.
 - (b) Explain Montesqueu's social and political philosophy as expressed in his Spirit of the Laws.
 - (c) 'The bourgeoisie... has created productive powers more massive and colossal than all past generations together' (Comumnist Manifesto) – Examine Marx's characterisation of capitalist society and the social relations that emerge as a result of capitalism.
 - (d) Examine Max Weber's conception of social action, and discuss its importance in studying social phenomena.
 - (e) Discuss Durkheim's conception of sociology as a science, with reference to his ideas regarding social facts.
 - (f) Write short notes on any two from the following
 - (i) Enlightenment
 - (ii) Saint Simon's social views
 - (iii) Durkheim's Theory of Religion.