

**KRISHNA KANTAHANDIQUI STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY**  
**MA 3<sup>rd</sup> Sem. Examination, 2014**  
**Subject: Sociology Paper : 11**  
**Rural Sociology**

Time : 3 Hrs.

Full Marks : 80

1. Answer any five from the following questions 2×5 = 10

(each within 50 words)

- (a) Define social mobility.
- (b) What are mores?
- (c) What do you understand by land ceiling?
- (d) What are rituals?
- (e) What is Sanskritization?
- (f) What do you mean by community development?
- (g) Define Local Self Government.

2. Answer any three from the following questions 4×3 = 12

(each within 100 words)

- (a) What are the objectives of social surveys?
- (b) What is rural-urban continuum?
- (c) Mention briefly the major sources of pollution in the rural society.
- (d) Briefly explain the three elements of community sentiment.
- (e) Discuss the drawbacks of 73<sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act of 1993.

3. Answer any three from the following questions 6×3 = 18

(each within 250 words)

- (a) Discuss the major differences between rural and urban society.
- (b) Discuss briefly major types of tenancy systems prevalent in India before independence.
- (c) Explain the characteristics of Indian Little Community.
- (d) Write a note on 'ashram' system of India.
- (e) Mention briefly the structures of Panchayati Raj Institutions.

4. Answer any four from the following questions 10×4 = 40

(each within 400 words)

- (a) Discuss the scope of rural sociology.
- (b) Discuss the power structure related to tradition and change of little community.
- (c) 'The village communities are changing even though the rate of change is slow' – Discuss the major factors of change in the rural sphere.
- (d) Discuss the concept, aim and characteristics of basic education as formulated by Mahatma Gandhi.
- (e) Discuss the main areas of community development projects.
- (f) Explain critically the empowerment of women in India.