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**35131**

**DISTANCE EDUCATION**

**M.A. (Sociology) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
DECEMBER 2025.**

**Third Semester**

**INDIAN SOCIAL PROBLEMS**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL the questions.**

1. Define the nature of social problem?
2. What is functionalism in sociology?
3. Define social disorganization?
4. What is social control?
5. Define juvenile delinquency.
6. What is child neglect?
7. Define workplace harassment.
8. Define group conflict.
9. What is regionalism?
10. Define displacement.

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Compare functionalism and conflict theory.

Or

- (b) Discuss the effects of social disorganization on society.

12. (a) Explain the role of social change in maintaining social order.

Or

- (b) Discuss the causes of alcoholism and drug addiction.

13. (a) Explain the causes and effects of divorce.

Or

- (b) Discuss the challenges faced by working women.

14. (a) Discuss the causes of elderly abuse and neglect.

Or

- (b) Explain the relationship between poverty and unemployment.

15. (a) Explain the challenges faced by displaced populations.

Or

- (b) Discuss the influence of media on public awareness.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Analyze the causes and effects of social problems in society.
  17. Compare and contrast pathology, disorganization, and deviance as approaches to social problems.
  18. Explain the role of society in preventing child abuse and neglect.
  19. Analyze the role of social exclusion in increasing community problems.
  20. Explain how social activists contribute to global change.
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**Third Semester**

**SOCIOLOGY OF AGEING**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL questions.**

1. Define the term "Aged in Society."
2. What are the rights of aged individuals?
3. What is instrumental support?
4. What is positive support in aging?
5. What is household composition?
6. How do elderly individuals support their families?
7. Define the declining role of communities in elderly support.
8. What are the institutional relationships in aging?
9. What is social exclusion in aging?
10. Define household care for aging individuals.

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain the characteristics of the aged population.

Or

- (b) Discuss the legal rights of elderly individuals in society.

12. (a) Explain the impact of family structure on elderly well-being.

Or

- (b) Explain the role of grandparents in the lives of grandchildren.

13. (a) Discuss the nature of support elderly individuals provide to their neighbors.

Or

- (b) Explain the significance of formal networks in supporting aged individuals.

14. (a) Explain how urbanization affects the role of communities in elderly care.

Or

- (b) Discuss the significance of institutional support for the aged population.

15. (a) Explain the causes of social exclusion among elderly individuals.

Or

- (b) Discuss the importance of family involvement in elderly care.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Analyze how cultural variations influence the values and obligations toward the elderly.
  17. Analyze how informal networks contribute to the well-being of elderly individuals.
  18. Discuss the extent of elderly contributions to family, friends, and community well-being.
  19. Analyze the reasons behind the weakening of traditional community support systems for the elderly.
  20. Describe the measures to prevent social exclusion and neglect of the aged in modern society.
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**M.A (Sociology) DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2025.**

**Third Semester**

**GENDER AND SOCIETY**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL questions.**

1. Define gender roles.
2. What is sex preference?
3. What is radical feminism?
4. What is feminist movement?
5. What is the unorganized sector?
6. What is gender role division?
7. What is the dual role burden?
8. Define reproductive health.
9. What is the difference between production and preproduction in gender studies?
10. Name two famous women entrepreneurs in India.

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Discuss the difference between gender equality and gender equity.

Or

- (b) Explain the impact of ideology on gender roles.

12. (a) What is the difference between liberal feminism and socialist feminism?

Or

- (b) Explain the role of women entrepreneurs in India.

13. (a) Discuss the impact of gender role divisions in families.

Or

- (b) Discuss role conflict among working women and coping mechanisms.

14. (a) Write a short notes for the common health problems faced by women.

Or

- (b) Explain the concept of invisible work and its impact on women's lives.

15. (a) Discuss the role of liberalization in shaping women's employment opportunities.

Or

- (b) How have women contribute to India's social and political movements?

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Discuss the declining sex ratio and its socio-cultural implications.
  17. Describe the challenges faced by women in India in terms of employment and social status.
  18. Discuss the social and economic issues of women in the unorganized sector and suggest solutions.
  19. Discuss the role of family and society in ensuring women's well-being.
  20. Evaluate the contributions of women in various professional fields in India.
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**M.A (Sociology) DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2025.**

**Third Semester**

**RURAL AND URBAN SOCIOLOGY**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL questions.**

1. What is Rural Sociology?
2. Define Agrarian Class Structure.
3. What is Agrarian Social Structure?
4. Define Tenancy system.
5. What is meant by "dominant caste"?
6. Define rural indebtedness.
7. What is urban sociology?
8. Define new settlements.
9. What is urban migration?
10. Define urban slums.

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain the nature of Rural Sociology.

Or

- (b) Discuss the contrast between rural and urban societies.

12. (a) Explain the factors leading to changes in agrarian social structure.

Or

- (b) Explain the impact of the Green Revolution on rural development.

13. (a) Discuss the impact of untouchability on rural society.

Or

- (b) Explain the key characteristics of urban sociology.

14. (a) Explain the key aspects of urban planning.

Or

- (b) Discuss the importance of planning for new settlements.

15. (a) Discuss the factors affecting urban population growth in India.

Or

- (b) Explain the major cause of crime in urban areas.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Analyze the importance and scope of Rural Sociology in modern society.
  17. Discuss rural social problems and suggest measures to address them.
  18. Analyze the role of government policies in addressing poverty and unemployment.
  19. Describe the impact of urban renewal on city development.
  20. Analyze the key urban social problems in India and suggest possible solutions.
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**M.A (Sociology) DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2025.**

**Fourth Semester**

**HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL questions.**

1. Define management.
2. Who is Henry Fayol?
3. Mention two functions of HRM?
4. What is human resource planning?
5. What is HR audit?
6. Define job evaluation.
7. What is meant by wage differentials?
8. Define external supply estimation.
9. What are the recruiter habits?
10. What is industrial social work?

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain the principles of management.

Or

- (b) Describe Peter Drucker's contribution to management thoughts.

12. (a) Explain the scope of human resource management.

Or

- (b) Discuss the benefits of promotion and transfer in an organization.

13. (a) Explain the objectives of job evaluation.

Or

- (b) Discuss financial and non-financial incentives in wages.

14. (a) Discuss the key factors affecting human resource planning.

Or

- (b) What are the common constraints in recruitment?

15. (a) Explain the importance of affirmative action plans.

Or

- (b) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of industrial counseling.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any **THREE** questions.

16. Compare and contrast the management thoughts of Henry Fayol, F.W.Taylor, and Peter Drucker.
  17. Explain the role of HR policies in organizational.
  18. Discuss the methods, advantages, and limitations of job evaluation.
  19. Discuss the challenges in implementing human resource plans.
  20. Explain the significance of human resource planning in organisations.
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**M.A. (Sociology) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
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**Fourth Semester**

**ECOLOGY AND SOCIETY**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL the questions.**

1. What is the scope of ecology?
2. How does sociology contribute to the study of ecology?
3. What was Karl Marx's view on environmental degradation?
4. Mention two key features of environmental sociology.
5. What is meant by the resurgence of environmental sociology?
6. Define the concept of “sustainable environment”.
7. What is the significance of the Nature vs. Nurture debate in environmental sociology?
8. List two environmental challenges faced by urban areas.

9. What is displacement in the context of environmental issues?
10. How does technology impact environmental sustainability?

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Discuss the importance of studying ecology in the modern world.

Or

- (b) Explain Karl Marx's contribution to ecological thought.

12. (a) Write a short note on the theoretical developments in environmental sociology.

Or

- (b) How does the 21<sup>st</sup>-century paradigm shape environmental sociology?

13. (a) Discuss the contributions of Ramachandra Guha to environmental studies.

Or

- (b) Explain the significance of Radha Kamal Mukherjee's work in environmental sociology.

14. (a) How does rapid urbanization affect housing and environmental conditions?

Or

- (b) Discuss the role of energy consumption in environmental issues.

15. (a) What is the importance of environmental justice in today's world?

Or

- (b) Explain the key challenges faced by environmental policy-makers.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Explain the major trends in environmental sociology and their impact on society.
17. Discuss how sociological theories contribute to understanding environmental problems.
18. Analyze the impact of globalization on environmental sustainability.
19. Explain the role of social impact assessment in addressing environmental problems.
20. Critically evaluate the relationship between development and environmental displacement.

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**Fourth Semester**

**SOCIAL WELFARE ADMINISTRATION**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL the questions.**

1. Define Social Welfare Administration.
2. What is public relation in social welfare?
3. What are NGOs?
4. What are bylaws?
5. Define a trust.
6. Mention one instead of social policy.
7. What do you mean by de-notified communities?
8. What are social policies?
9. What are Fundamental Rights?
10. Define untouchability.

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) List and explain any three functions of social welfare administration.

Or

- (b) What are some government schemes related to social welfare?

12. (a) Describe the functions of a governing board in a trust.

Or

- (b) What are the different instruments of social policy?

13. (a) List the key programmes for the aged in India.

Or

- (b) Explain the importance of Fundamental Rights in social legislation.

14. (a) Compare marriage laws for Hindus and Christians.

Or

- (b) Discuss the role of a guardian in child welfare.

15. (a) What are the causes of juvenile delinquency?

Or

- (b) Explain the Child Labor (Prohibition and Regulation) Act.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any **THREE** questions.

16. Explain the evaluation of social welfare in India.
  17. How does the constitutional base influence social policy in India?
  18. Explain how government policies support weaker sections in society.
  19. How do marriage laws protect women's rights?
  20. Describe the laws protecting women from harassment.
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**Fourth Semester**

**MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY**

**(CBCS 2018 – 2019 Academic Year Onwards)**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum : 75 marks**

**PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

**Answer ALL the questions.**

1. Define the scope of medical sociology.
2. What is illness as social deviance?
3. Mention two key features of the sick role.
4. What is the significance of social epidemiology?
5. Define community health.
6. What are the socio-cultural factors affecting health in India?
7. Explain the role of hospitals in healthcare.
8. What do you understand by health planning?
9. Mention two challenges in intersectoral collaboration in healthcare.
10. Define risk management in healthcare.

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain the difference between physical and social aspects of health.

Or

- (b) Discuss the significance of sociology in medicine.

12. (a) How do social groups influence access to healthcare?

Or

- (b) Write a short note on the theoretical perspectives of health.

13. (a) Discuss the role of public and private healthcare services in India.

Or

- (b) Explain the impact of privatization on healthcare services.

14. (a) What are the major components of social epidemiology?

Or

- (b) Discuss the natural history of diseases and its significance in public health.

15. (a) Explain the concept of health workforce management.

Or

- (b) Discuss the role of medical technology in modern healthcare.

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Explain the principles and objectives of medical sociology.
  17. Analyze the relevance of functionalist and labeling approaches in medical sociology.
  18. Discuss the structure and function of hospitals and their role in healthcare services.
  19. Write a detailed note on health inequalities based on caste and class in India.
  20. Critically evaluate contemporary challenges in health service management.
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