

SOCIOLOGY

GENERIC ELECTIVE (GE)

SEMESTER-I & III

GE-1

Unit-1 : Sociology: Definition Nature and Scope, Emergence as a new science; Sociology and its relationship with social Sciences – History, Political Science, Economics, Psychology and Anthropology.

Unit-2 : Basic Concepts: Society, Community, Association, Institutions, culture, Status and Role, Norms and Values, Folkways and Mores.

Unit-3 : Individual and Society : Relationship between Individual and society, Man as a Social Animal, Socialization, stages of Socialization, Theories of Socialization (Contributions of C.H. Cooley & George Herbert Mead) concept of Group : Types of Groups : Primary group and secondary group, ingroup, out-group, reference group.

Unit-4 : Social Interaction : Social Processes, Associative and Dissociative, Cooperation, Accommodation, Competition and Conflict.
Social Control : Meaning and Types (formal and informal), Agencies.

Unit-5 : Social Stratification: Meaning, characteristics and forms, Theories-Marxian and Functionalist, Social mobility and its determinants.

Essential readings:

1. Bottommore. T.B. 1972, Sociology: A guide to problems and literature, Bombay :George Allen and Unwin (India).
2. Harlambos, M.1998. Sociology: Themes and perspectives. New Delhi Oxford University Press.
3. Parimal B. Kar, 1990, Sociology : The Discipline and its Dimensions.
4. Shankar Rao C.N., 2012, Principles of Sociology.

SEMESTER-II & IV

GE -2

Unit-1 : Composition of Indian Society : Racial, Religious, Linguistic, Caste and Tribal; Unity in Diversity; Challenges to National Integration in India.

Unit-2 : Hindu Social Organization : Bases, Varna-Ashrama system and its relevance today; Purusarthas, the Doctrine of Karma.

Unit-3 : Marriage and Family in India. Hindu joint family – features, functions and current position; types – Tarwad and Illom; Hindu Marriage-Aims, Traditional forms, Hindu Marriage and Sacrament; Muslim Marriage – Conditions, Types; and Divorce among Muslims.

Unit-4 : Caste system in India: Features, Functions; Caste and Class; The Dominant Caste, Changes in Caste system; Constitutional safeguards for SCs and STs.

Unit-5 : Social Change in Modern India : Sanskritization, Modernization Westernization, Globalization and Secularization.

Essential readings:

1. P.H. Prabhu, 1993, Hindu Social Organization
2. S.C. Dubey, 1990, Society in India.
3. C.N. Shankar Rao, 2014, Sociology of Indian Society.
4. K.L. Sharma, 2014, Indian Social Structure and Change.
5. D.G. Mandelbaum, 1970, Society in India.
6. Y. Singh, 1994, Modernization of Indian Tradition.
7. M. N. Srinivas, 1980, India : Social Structure.
8. P. K. Kar, 2010, Indian Society.