

SOCIOLOGY
(P.G DEGREE STANDARD)

SUBJECT CODE: 344

UNIT- I: NATURE AND SCOPE OF SOCIOLOGY

Meanings, Nature, Scope and Relevance of Sociology. Sociology and other Social Sciences: Anthropology, Psychology, Economics and History.

UNIT- II: THEORETICAL PERSPECTIVES

August Comte - Law of Three Stages, Social Statics and Dynamics, Herbert Spencer - Organic Analogy and Theory of Evolution, Emile Durkheim – Social Fact, Mechanical and Organic Solidarity, Suicide. Karl Marx - Economic Determinism, Class Struggle, Alienation, Pareto-System in Equilibrium, Logical and Non Logical Action, Circulation of Elites, Simmel - Theory of Social Conflict, Parsons – Human Action and Pattern Variables. Max Weber: Protestant Ethics, Authority and Bureaucracy.

UNIT- III: SOCIALIZATION AND SOCIAL GROUPS

Processes of Socialization, Associative and Dissociative Process, Agencies of Socializations: Family, Religion, Education and Media. Social Groups: Primary and Secondary Groups. In and Out Groups.

UNIT- IV: SOCIAL STRATIFICATION AND SOCIAL CONTROL

Nature and Types of Social Stratification, Forms of Social Stratification: Caste and Class. Social Mobility: Factors facilitating and hindering Social Mobility. Major Tribes in India, Socio – Economic and Cultural Aspects. Education, Development and Modernization.

UNIT - V: RURAL AND TRIBAL SOCIETY

Socio – Cultural dimensions of rural community, Rural social Problems: Poverty, indebtedness, illiteracy and unemployment. Rural Development Programmes: Distribution of Tribal Population – Problems of Tribes and Welfare and Constitutional Safeguards.

UNIT - VI: URBAN SOCIETY

Socio – Cultural dimensions of Urban Society, Urbanization – Problems of Urbanization – Slums, housing, transportation and health. Urban crimes and Juvenile delinquency, Alcoholism and Drug – Addiction. Strategies and Programmes of Urban Planning and Development.

UNIT - VII: SOCIAL CHANGE

Theories of Social Change - Evolutionary, Conflict and Cyclical, Factors and Processes of Social Change: Westernization, Modernization and Globalization, Legislative and Executive Measures in Social Change, Role of Non-Government Organizations in Social Change.

UNIT - VIII: SOCIAL MOVEMENTS

Characteristics and Types of Social Movement, Social Movements in India-Dravidian Movement, Backward Class Movement, Dalit Movement, Jharkhand Movement, Trade Union Movement, Women's Movement and Environment Movement. Social – Political Background of National Movement in India.

UNIT - IX: SOCIAL DEMOGRAPHY

Meanings Scope and Importance. Demographic Transition, Demographic Variables, Fertility, Mortality and Migration, Population Size, Growth, Composition and Distribution of population in India, India's National Population Policy.

UNIT- X: SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Meanings and Characteristics. Crimes Beggary. Child Labour, Child Abuse Street Children, Unemployment and under employment, Gender Injustice, Communal Violence and Corruption.
