

**TDC Odd Semester Exam., 2020  
held in July, 2021**

**SOCIOLOGY**

( Pass )

( 5th Semester )

Course No. : SOCP-501

( **Foundation of Sociological Thought** )

*Full Marks : 50*

*Pass Marks : 17*

*Time : 2 hours*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

Answer **five** questions, selecting **one** from each Unit

UNIT—I

1. (a) What is enlightenment? Name two prominent thinkers of enlightenment. 3+2=5
- (b) Explain in brief the role of the Industrial Revolution in the emergence of sociology. 5

2. (a) Explain in brief the social forces in the development of sociological theory. 5
- (b) How far the French Revolution contributed to the development of sociological theory? Discuss. 5

UNIT—II

3. (a) Briefly discuss the methodology of Auguste Comte. 5
- (b) Explain Comte's theory of 'law of three stages'. 5
4. (a) When and where was Herbert Spencer born? What are the three basic linkages that Spencer saw between biology and sociology? 2+3=5
- (b) Discuss social Darwinism of Herbert Spencer. 5

UNIT—III

5. (a) Explain in brief the basic elements of dialectical materialism. 6
- (b) Discuss the four modes of production identified by Marx. 4

6. (a) State Marx's views on infrastructure and superstructure. 4
- (b) Briefly explain the theory of alienation of Karl Marx. 6

UNIT—IV

7. (a) Name two books written by Emile Durkheim. What are the types of suicide mentioned by Durkheim? 2+3=5
- (b) Explain the significance of social facts in Durkheim's sociology. 5
8. (a) Write a short note on Totemism. 5
- (b) Discuss Durkheim's view on religious life. 5

UNIT—V

9. (a) Briefly explain the relationship between religion and economy as explained by Max Weber. 6
- (b) Write a short note on bureaucracy. 4
10. (a) Discuss the social action theory of Max Weber. 6
- (b) State the typology of authority of Max Weber. 4

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