

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

COURSE CURRICULUM & MARKING SCHEME

M.A. SOCIOLOGY. I & III SEMESTER

SESSION : 2025-26



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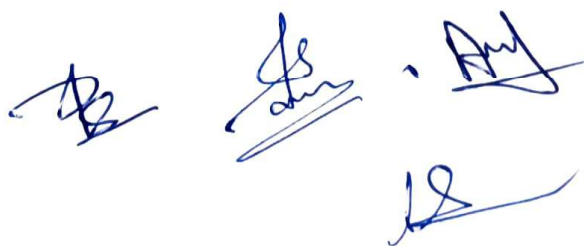
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P. G. SYLLABUS 2025-26
COURSE OF STUDIES FOR M.A. EXAMINATION IN SOCIOLOGY
(UNDER SEMESTER SYSTEM)

M.A. Examination in Sociology shall be conducted in four semesters. Each having 500 hundred marks, totaling to 2000 marks .

The detailed Course Structure Semester wise is mentioned below.

A. FIRST SEMESTER:			I	T	Total
COURSE	Paper	Subject			
PSOCT 101	Paper I	CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL TRADITION	20	80	100
PSOCT 102	Paper II	PHILOSOPHICAL AND CONCEPTUAL FOUNDATION OF RESEARCH METHODOLOGY	20	80	100
PSOCT 103	Paper III	SOCIAL CHANGE IN INDIA	20	80	100
PSOCT 104	Paper IV	RURAL SOCIOLOGY	20	80	100
PSOCL 105	Paper V	PRACTICAL-I	*	"	100

B. THIRD SEMESTER:			I	T	Total
COURSE	Paper	Subject			
PSOCT 301	Paper XI	CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES	20	80	100
PSOCT 302	Paper XII	SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN INDIA	20	80	100
PSOCT 303	Paper XIII	PERSPECTIVES OF STUDY TO	20	80	100
PSOCT 304	Paper XIV	INDUSTRY AND SOCIETY IN INDIA	20	80	100
PSOCT 305	Paper XV	CRIMINOLOGY-I	20	80	100



FIRST SEMESTER
Course Code – PSOCT 101

Marks -80

Paper-I

CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL TRADITION

UNIT-I: Auguste Comte

- a. Social Statics and Dynamics
- b. Law of Three Stages
- c. Hierarchy of Sciences
- d. Positivism

UNIT-II: Emile Durkheim

- a. Social Facts
- b. Mechanical and Organic Solidarity
- c. Division of Labour
- d. Theory of Suicide

UNIT-III: Vilfredo Pareto

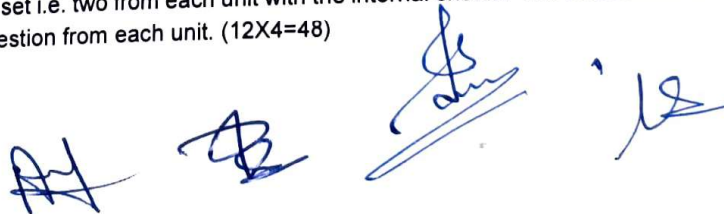
- a. Logical and Non- Logical Action
- b. Residues and Derivations
- c. The 17 of Social Change
- d. Contributions to Methodology

UNIT-IV: Herbert Spencer

- a. The survival of the fittest
- b. Social Darwinism
- c. Evolution
- d. Synthetic Philosophy

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FIRST SEMESTER
Course Code – PSOCT 102

PAPER - II

Marks- 80

PHILOSOPHICAL AND CONCEPTUAL FOUNDATION OF RESEARCH
METHODOLOGY

Unit-I: Philosophical Roots of Social Research

- a. Methodological perspective in sociology.
- b. Forms and Types of Knowledge, Validation of Knowledge
- c. Positivism and its Critique: Contribution of Comte, Durkheim and Popper.
- d. Issues in the Theory of Epistemology.

Unit- II: Concept of Social Research

- a. Meaning and characteristics of Social Research.
- b. Nature and objectives of Social Research.
- c. Importance and problems of Social Research.
- d. Scientific methods.

Unit-III: Nature of social reality and approaches to it

- a. Major Approaches of Sociology.
- b. Types of research design: exploratory descriptive, diagnostic and experimental.
- c. Role of concept and hypothesis.
- d. Problems of objectivity.

Unit- IV: Qualitative Methods in Social Research

- a. Techniques and methods of qualitative Research: Observation and Interview Guide.
- b. Case study, Genealogy and content Analysis.
- c. Processing of Data: Classification, Tabulation and Interpretation.
- d. Issues in social research.

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FIRST SEMESTER
Course Code – PSOCT 103

Paper-III

Marks-80

SOCIAL CHANGE IN INDIA

UNIT-I: Theoretical Frame work and Factors

- a. Concept and Forms
- b. Linear Theory and Cyclic Theory
- c. Techno- Economic **and** Socio- Psychological
- d. Cultural, Religious and Media

UNIT-II: Trends and Processes of Change in Modern India

- a. Sanskritization
- b. Secularization
- c. Gandhian
- d. Globalization

UNIT- III: Changes in Tribal and Rural India

- a. Changes in Tribal and Rural Economy
- b. Changes in Socio-cultural spheres
- c. Land Alienation
- d. Welfare Measures and Consequent Changes

UNIT-IV:-Changes in Urban and Industrial India

- a. Migration and Growth of informal sector.
- b. Development of Slums.
- c. Development of Criminal Activities.
- d. Welfare measures and Consequent Changes.

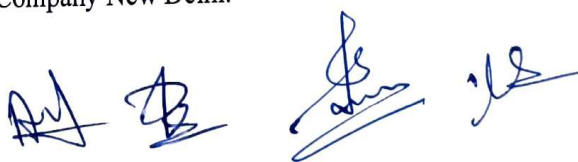
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FIRST SEMESTER
Course Code – PSOCT 104

Paper-IV

Marks-80

RURAL SOCIOLOGY

UNIT-I: Characteristics and Approaches

- a. Characteristics of Peasant and Agrarian Society
- b. Caste and Jajmani Approach
- c. Improvement and Transformation Approach
- d. Sub- Altern Approach

UNIT-II: Agrarian Institutions

- a. Land Ownership and Its Types
- b. Agrarian Relations and Modes of Production Debate
- c. Rural leadership and Factionalism
- d. Labour Market in Rural Society

UNIT- III: Planned Change

- a. Panchayati Raj before and after 73rd Amendment
- b. Five Year's Plans in India
- c. Land Reform and Green Revolution
- d. Globalization and its Impact on Agriculture

UNIT-IV: Welfare measures and consequent Changes

- a. Empowerment of People.
- b. Self-help Group
- c. MNREGA
- d. SSA (Sarv Shiksha Abhiyan)

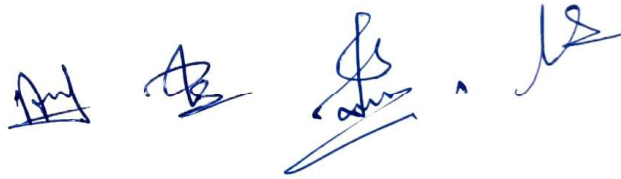
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FIRST SEMESTER
Course Code – PSOCL 105

Paper- V

Marks-100

PRACTICAL-I

Practical based on Field Work & Preparation of tools Interview
Guide and case study

Scheme of Evaluation- 50% by Internal Examiner and rest 50% by
Viva-Voce Examination evaluated both by the Internal and External
Examiner.

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