

UPSC 2018

SOCIOLOGY (PAPER II)

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 250

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

(Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions.)

There are **EIGHT** questions divided in **TWO SECTIONS** and printed in **ENGLISH**.

Candidate has to attempt **FIVE** questions in all.

Question Nos. **1** and **5** are compulsory and out of the remaining, **THREE** are to be attempted choosing at least **ONE** question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Question-cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided. No marks will be given for answers written in medium other than the authorized one.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

Attempts of questions shall be counted in chronological order. Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

- 1. Write short answers with a sociological perspective, of the following questions in about 150 words each: 10 x 5 = 50**
 - (a) Write a note on G.S.Ghurye's Indological perspective of understanding Indian society.
 - (b) Give a critical analysis of Andre Beteille's study of Tanjore village.
 - (c) Media is the fourth pillar of democracy. Discuss.
 - (d) Write a note on the changing roles of middle-class women in India.
 - (e) Discuss the growth of religious sects in India.
- 2.**
 - (a) Analyse A.R. Desai's views on India's path of development. 20
 - (b) Examine sociological dynamics of Champaran Peasant Movement in colonial India. 20
 - (c) How do the recommendations of Swaminathan Commissions (2004-2006) ensure food and nutrition security for the Indian masses? 10
- 3.**
 - (a) What do you understand by discrete castes and muddled hierarchies? Substantiate your answer with suitable illustrations. 20
 - (b) Discuss development induced displacement in the context of tribal uprising in India. Substantiate your answer with any one detailed illustration from India. 20
 - (c) Illustrate the importance of 'Kanyadan' and 'Kulabadhu' in changing institution of marriage and family. 10

4. (a) How has the New Economic Policy (1991) affected the lifestyle and life- chances of new middle class in India? 20
- (b) Write a critical narrative on the concerns of religious minorities in India. 20
- (c) Discuss the issues relating to the entitlement of transgender in Indian society. 10
5. **Write short answers, with a sociological perspective of the following questions in about 150 words each. 10 x 5 = 50**
- (a) Elaborate the concept of constitutional morality as given by B. R. Ambedkar.
- (b) Construct a sociological narrative on the increasing trend of child abuse in India.
- (c) Explain the dynamics of neo-farmers movement in contemporary India.
- (d) Assess the role of the State in promoting education of girl child.
- (e) Elaborate the 'Me Too' Movement and its impact in India.
6. (a) How do you relate the growth of development of metropolises and its impact on the mental and social life of people in India? 20
- (b) Has 'Green Revolution' led to the formation of new power elite in rural India? Elaborate your answer. 20
- (c) Write a note on Basic Services to Urban Poor (BSUP) and Integrated Housing and Slum Development (IHSD) programme provided for the urban poor. 10
7. (a) Has caste system hindered democracy and adult franchise in India. Discuss. 20
- (b) Elaborate various forms of Dalit assertions in contemporary India. What are its implications on the Indian political systems? 20
- (c) With increase in education and economic development is Indian society becoming more secular? 10
8. (a) What are the issues relating to male migration and its impact on birthrate? Does it necessarily result in skewed sex ratio? 20
- (b) Western patriarchy which surrenders feminine principles is the new development project in India. Do you agree with this view? Why? 20
- (c) Assess the impact of ban on 'Triple Talak' on marriage and divorce among the Muslim community in India. 10

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