

SYLLABUS FOR P.G ENTRANCE TEST – 2023 (SOCIOLOGY)

Unit 1 Sociology as a discipline

- Nature and subject matter of Sociology
- Emergence of sociology as a Scientific Discipline: French Revolution. Industrial revolution and Enlightenment Period

Unit 2 Basic Concepts

- Society : Concept and features
- Community : Concept and features
- Social Groups: Primary, Secondary and Reference Groups
- Culture: Concept, Features and Processes

Unit 3 Major Sociological Perspectives

- Functionalism
- Conflict Perspective
- Interactionism

Unit 4 Schools of thought

- Formalistic School of thought: George Simmel, Ferdinand Tonnie
- Synthetic School of thought: Pritim Sorokin, Ginsberg

Unit 5 Social Institutions

- Family : Structure and Function
- Marriage : Structure and Function
- Kinship : Consanguineous and Affinal
- Religion : Concept and role

Unit 6 Social Processes

- Socialization
- Social Change
- Social Conflict
- Social Control

Unit 7 Social Research & Design

- Nature and Scope of Social Research
- Scientific Method: Concept and Features
- Research design: Concept and Formulation of Research Design
- Types of Research design: Descriptive, Explorative & Diagnostic

Unit 8 Sampling

- Universe : Nature & Characteristics
- Sampling: Meaning & Significance
- Types of Sampling
- Advantages/Disadvantages of Sampling

Unit 9 Tools of data collection

- Questionnaire
- Interview
- Observation
- Case study

Unit 10 August Comte

- Positivism
- Law of three stages
- Social statics and social dynamics

Unit 11 Emile Durkheim

- Social fact
- Religion
- Suicide

Unit 12 Karl Marx

- Historical Materialism
- Dialectical Materialism
- Class and class conflict

Unit 13 Max Weber

- Ideal Type
- Social Action
- Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism

Unit 14 Structure and approaches of Indian Society

- Composition of Indian Society: Religion, Lingual and ethnic
- Concept & features of caste and class
- M. N. Srinivas: Structural-functional Approach
- R. Desai: Marxist Approach

Unit 15 Contemporary Issues and Challenges in Indian Society

- Poverty
- Caste and Politics
- Family Disharmony: Divorce and Dowry

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