# **Gauhati University**

# B.A. (Major) Sociology (NEW)

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Semester 5	$\underline{\& 6:}$ 6 papers per semester 75 marks each 6 credits each

# FIRST SEMESTER

# PAPER 1.1 : INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY- I

# Unit 1- Sociology: The Discipline

- a. Definition, Nature, Scope and Importance of the study of Sociology
- b. Sociology as a Science
- c. Sociology and other Social Sciences

# Unit 2- Conceptualizing Society or Social Reality

- a. Society, Community, Association, Institution
- b. Social Groups: Primary, Secondary and Reference Groups
- c. Norms, Values, Folkways, Mores
- d. Status and Role, Role-Set, Role Conflict, Status-Set.

## **Unit 3- Individual and Society**

- a. Relation between individual and society
- b. Socialization: Meaning, Types and Agencies- Family, School, Peer Groups, Media, Religion
- c. Social Control: Meaning, Agencies and Mechanisms, Conformity and Deviance
- d. Types of Society: Tribal, Agrarian, Industrial and Post-Industrial

# **Unit 4- Culture and Society**

- a. Meaning and Types of Culture
- b. Universals of Culture
- c. Relation between Culture and Society
- d. Socio-Cultural Processes: Competition, Accommodation, Co-operation, Conflict

- 1. Berger, Peter. (1963). Invitation to Sociology. Hamondsworth: Penguin, Ch. 1 & 2.
- Bottomore, T.B. (1972). Sociology: A guide to problems and literature. Bombay: George Allen and Unwin (India).
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- 4. Giddens, Anthony. (2010). Sociology. Cambridge: Polity Press, Ch. 1.

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- 9. MacIver, R.M. and Page, Charles H. (1974) *Society: An Introductory Analysis*. New Delhi: Macmillan & co.
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# PAPER 1.2 : INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY -II

#### **Unit 1- Perspectives of Culture**

- a. Definitions, Totalist and Idealist Perspectives of Culture
- b. Relation between Culture and Society
- c. Universals of Culture
- d. Concepts: Cultural diversity, Cultural Pluralism, Multiculturalism, Cultural Relativism, Ethnocentrism, Enculturation, Material and Non-material culture, Cultural Lag.

## **Unit 2- Social Institutions**

- a. Family: Definitions and the challenges of defining family in the cross cultural perspective, Types of family, Characteristics and social significance- its contribution to the transition of society's values, Changing nature of family.
- b. Marriage: Definition, types and social significance
- c. Kinship: Meaning, Kinship terminology, rules of residence, descent and inheritance
- d. Religion: Definitions, significance in public domain and individual lives, secularisation

## **Unit 3- Social and Cultural Change**

- a. Definitions and Meaning
- b. Evolution: Spencer and modern approaches, Cycles of growth and Decay Arnold Toynbee, Cyclical Analysis- Pitrim Sorokin, Revolution
- c. Diffusion, Acculturation, Assimilation and Integration, Social Distance, Relative Deprivation.

d. Factors of Social Change: Technological, Ideological and Institutional

#### **Unit 4- Social Stratification**

- a. Concepts: Equality, Inequality, Hierarchy, Open and closed systems of stratification
- b. Forms of Social Stratification: Caste, Class, Status Groups, Gender, Estate, Ethnicity, Race and Disability
- c. Functions of Stratification: Social Mobility, Social Closure and Social Exclusion
- d. Contemporary Issues and Debates in Stratification: Caste and Race, Positive Discrimination, Issues of Minority, Identity and Inequality

## **Readings:**

- Balibar, Etienne and Wallerstein, Immanuel Maurice. (1991). Race, Nation, Class: Ambiguous Identities. Verso: New York, Ch.1 & 12.
- Bendix, R. and Lipset, S.M. (Eds.). (1966). Class, Status and Power: Social Stratification in Comparative Perspective. New York: The Free Press, Part I.
- 3. Beteille, A. (1983). Introduction. In Andre Beteille (Ed.) *Equality and Inequality: Theory and Practice*, Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.1-27.
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- Davis, K. and Moore, W.E. (1945). Some Principles of Stratification. American Sociological Review, Vol.10, pp. 242-249.
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- Gupta, D. (1991) Hierarchy and Difference. In Dipankar Gupta (Ed.): Social Stratification. Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp 1-27.
- 8. Mandelbaum, D.G. (1972) Society in India. Bombay: Popular Prakashan.
- 9. Smelser, Neil J. (1993) Sociology. Prentice Hall of India-Pvt. Ltd.
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- Das, Veena and Addlakha, Renu. (2001). Disability and Domestic Citizenship: Voice, Gender and the Making of the Subject. *Public* Culture, Vol. 1, No. 3, pp 511-532.
- 12. Yinger, J.M. (1997). *Ethnicity Source of Strength? Source of Conflict?* Jaipur: Rawat. Ch. 1 & 2.

#### SECOND SEMESTER

# PAPER 2.1 : FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT-I

# **Unit 1- The Emergence of Sociology**

- a. Transition from Social Philosophy to Sociology
- b. The intellectual context: Enlightenment
- c. The social context: French and Industrial Revolutions
- d. Contributions of Montesquieu and St. Simon

# **Unit 2- The Pioneers**

- a. Auguste Comte: Positivism, the Law of Three stages, Hierarchy of Sciences, Social Static and Dynamics
- b. Herbert Spencer: Organic analogy, Social Darwinism

# Unit 3- The Classical Thinkers-I

- a. Karl Marx: Dialectics, Materialistic interpretation of history, Class, Class Struggle, Alienation, Mode of Production, Social Change.
- b. Emile Durkheim: Social Facts, Mechanical and Organic Solidarity, Social Order
- c. Max Weber: Social Action, Authority, Class, Status and Power, Religion and Economy

# Unit 4- The Classical Thinkers-II

- a. George Simmel: Formal Sociology, Concepts of Sociation and Group Formation, Objective Culture, Place of Money.
- b. Vilfredo Pareto: Logical and Non-logical actions, Residues and Derivations, Circulation of Elites

- 1. Comte, Auguste. (1851). System of Positive Polity. New York: Burt Franklin, Vol.1.
- 2. Comte, Auguste. (1896). *Positive Philosophy* (Translated by Harriet Martineau). London: Bell.
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- 4. Durkheim, E. (1958). The Rules of Sociological Method. New York: The Free Press.
- 5. Durkheim, E. (1964). *The Division of Labour in Society*. New York: The Free Press, Introduction, Ch.1, 2 & 3.
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- Marx, K. and F. Engels. (1969) *Selected Works*. Moscow: Progress Publishers, Vol. 1, pp. 108-137, 142-174, 502-506.
- Morrison, Ken. (1995). Marx, Durkheim, Weber: Formation of Modern Social Thought. London: Sage.
- 9. Ritzer, George. (2000). Sociological Theory (5th edition). Boston: Mc Graw Hill.
- 10. Saint-Simon, Henri de. (1807). Introduction to the Scientific Studies of the 19th Century. Paris: Scherff
- 11. Spencer, Herbert. (1898). Principles of Sociology. New York: Appleton.
- 12. Weber, Max. (1949). *The Methodology of the Social Science* (Translated and edited by Edward Shils and Henry Rinch). New York: Free Press
- Weber, Max. [1958(1904-1905)]. The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism. New York: Scribners.
- Weber, Max. (1978). *Economy and Society* (Translated and edited by Guenter Roth and Clause Witch). Berkeley: University of California Press.

#### PAPER 2.2- TECHNIQUES OF SOCIAL RESEARCH

#### **Unit 1- Fundamentals of Social Research**

- a. Social Research: Meaning, Scope, Purpose and Significance of Social Research, Ethics of Research
- b. Theory and Research
- c. Types of Research: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods.
- d. Basic Elements in Research: Concepts and Constructs

#### **Unit 2- Hypothesis and Research Design**

- a. Hypothesis: Meaning, Characteristics, Sources, Types and Functions of Hypothesis.
- b. Variables: Meaning and Types- Continuous and Discrete Variables.
- c. Research Design: Meaning, Major steps of Research Design, Types Basic, Applied and Action, Historical and Empirical, Descriptive, Exploratory, Analytical and Explanatory, Methodology versus Method
- d. Stages in Research

### **Unit 3- Techniques of Data Collection and Sampling**

a. Sources of Data: Primary and Secondary Sources

- b. Techniques: Observation, Ethnography, Narrative, Focus Group, Content Analysis, Interview Guide, Questionnaire Schedule and Case Study– Meaning, Merits and Demerits.
- c. Sampling: Meaning, Purpose of Sampling, Types of Sampling

#### **Unit 4- Statistical Techniques and Report Writing**

- a. Statistical Techniques in Social Research: Definition, Scope and Uses of Statistics, Levels of Measurement, Frequency Distribution, Measures of Central Tendency, Measures of Dispersion, Measures of Association
- b. Classification and Presentation of Data: Tabulation, Diagrammatical and Graphical Representation of Data
- c. Report Writing: Types of Report, Content of Research Report, Reliability and Validity

- 1. Bailey, Kenneth D. (1978). Methods of Social Research. New York: Free Press.
- Beteille, A. & Madan, T.N. (1975). Encounter and Experience: Personal Accounts of Fieldwork. New Delhi: Vikas Publishing House.
- 3. Bryman, Alan. (1988). *Quality and Quantity in Social Research*. London: Unwin Hyman.
- 4. Claire, S. et al. (1962). *Research Methods in Social Relations*. New York: Molt, Reinchart and Whinstone.
- 5. Dominwski, R.L. (1980). Research Methods. New Jersey: Prentice Hall.
- 6. Goode, W.J. and Hatt, P.K. (1952). *Methods in Social Research*. New York: McGraw Hill.
- 7. Geertz, Clifford. (1973). Interpretation of Cultures. New York: Basic Books, Ch.1.
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- 9. Gupta, S. P. (1990). *Elementary Statistical Methods*. New Delhi: Sultan Chand.
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- Morgan, David L. (1996). Focus Groups. *Annual Review of Sociology*, Vol. 22, pp. 29-52.

- 12. Moser, C. A. & Kalton, G. (1971). *Survey Methods in Social Investigations*. London: Heinemann Educational Books, Ch. 1-4.
- 13. Punch, Keith. (1996). Introduction to Social Research. London: Sage.
- Seltiz, Claise et al. (1959). *Research Methods in Social Relation*. New York: Henry Holt and Co.
- 15. Shipman, Martin. (1988). The Limitations of Social Research. London: Sage.
- 16. Srinivas, M.N. & Shah, A.M. (1979). *Fieldworker and the Field*. Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- 17. Wampold, B.E. and Drew, D.J. (1990). *Theory and Application of Statistics*. McGraw Hill.
- 18. Young, P.V. (1988). Scientific Social Survey and Research. New Delhi: Prentice Hall.

## THIRD SEMESTER

## PAPER 3.1 : SOCIOLOGY OF INDIA- I

#### **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. Emergence of Sociology and Social Anthropology in India
- b. Colonial Writings on India

## **Unit 2- Schools of Indian Sociological Thought**

- a. Bombay School
- b. Lucknow School
- c. Calcutta School
- d. Delhi School

## **Unit 3- Social Institutions**

- a. Caste
- b. Class
- c. Tribes
- d. Village
- e. Kinship, Family, Marriage
- f. Religion

### **Unit 4- Contributions to Indian Sociology**

a. G.S. Ghurye

- b. R.K. Mukherjee
- c. D.P. Mukerji
- d. A.R. Desai
- e. S.C. Dube

- Beteille, A. (Ed.) (1969). Social Inequality: Selected Readings. Harmondsworth: Penguin Books, Ch. 13.
- 2. Bose, N.K. (1967). Culture and Society in India. Bombay: Asia Publishing House.
- 3. Bose, N.K. (1975). Structure of Hindu Society, New York: Orient Longman.
- 4. Dube, S.C. (1958). India's Changing Villages. London: Routledge and Kegan Paul.
- 5. Dube, S.C. (1990). Society in India. New Delhi: National Book Trust.
- 6. Dube, S.C. (1995). Indian Village. London: Routledge.
- 7. Gupta, Dipankar. (Ed.). (1991). Social Stratification. Delhi: Oxford University Press.
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- 14. Srinivas, M.N. (1962) Caste in Modern India and Other Essays. Bombay: Asia Publishing House, Ch.3.
- 15. Srinivas, M.N. (1980) *India: Social Structure*. New Delhi: Hindustan Publishing Corporation.
- 16. Srinivas, M.N. (1963). *Social Change in Modern India*. California, Berkeley: University of California Press.
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- 20. Xaxa, Virginius. (1999). The Transformation of Tribes in India: Terms of Discourse. *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 34, No.24, pp.1519-1524.

# PAPER 3.2 : FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT -II

# **Unit 1- Evolutionism**

- a. Theory of Stages: Comte, Berthwart, Tylor
- b. Unilineal and Multilineal Evolution: Morgan
- c. Idealist and Materialist Evolution: Marx
- d. History and Evolution: E.H. Carr

# **Unit 2- Functionalism and Structural Functionalism**

- a. Functional Theory: Basic Propositions
- b. Functionalism and Social Order: Teleology and Tautology
- c. Functionalism and Fieldwork: Emile Durkheim
- d. Functionalist Conflict: Ralf Dahendorf and Lewis Coser

# Unit 3- Marxism

- a. Modes of Production and Relations of Production
- b. Class
- c. Historical Materialism
- d. Alienation

## **Unit 4- System Theory**

- a. Theory of Unit Action
- b. Unit Action and Social System
- c. Problems of Social System and Modernization Theory
- d. Social System and Development
- e. Social System and Pattern Variable

#### **Readings:**

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- Baert, P., & Da Silva, F. C. (2010). Social Theory in the Twentieth Century and Beyond. Cambridge: Polity Press.
- Collins, Randall. (1986). Weberian Social Theory. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
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- 8. Good, Erich. (1988). Sociology (2nd Edition). Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice Hall.
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- Turner, Jonathan H. (2003). *The Structure of Sociological Theory*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth.

## FOURTH SEMESTER

#### PAPER 4.1 : SOCIOLOGY OF INDIA –II

## Unit 1-India as an Object of Knowledge

- a. The Colonial Discourse
- b. The Nationalist Discourse
- c. Subaltern Critique
- d. Dalit Discourse

#### **Unit 2- Ideology in operative**

- a. Communalism
- b. Secularism
- c. Nationalism/ Sub-Nationalism/ Ethnicity
- d. Casteism

#### **Unit 3- Contemporary Challenges**

- a. Development and Environment
- b. Social Inequality
- c. Women's Rights
- d. Child Rights
- e. Rights of Dalits and Religious Minorities

## **Unit 4- Dynamics in Indian Society**

- a. Impact of Globalization
- b. Role of Education
- c. Role of Civil Society
- d. Role of Media

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- Bhasin, K. & Menon, R. (1998). Borders and Boundaries: Women in India's Partition. New Delhi: Kali for Women, Ch. 2 & 3.
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- 4. Cohn, B.S. (1971). *The Social Anthropology of a Civilization*. Delhi: Oxford University Press, Ch. 5.
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- 6. Dumont, L. (1997). Religion, Politics and History in India. Paris: Mouton, Ch. 5.
- 7. Guha, R. (1982). Subaltern Studies. Delhi: Oxford University Press, Ch.1.
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- Pouchepadass, J. (1980). Peasant Classes in twentieth Century Agrarian Movements in India. In E. Hobsbawm (Ed.): *Peasants in History*. Delhi: Oxford University Press.
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# PAPER 4.2 : SOCIAL CHANGE IN MODERN SOCIETIES

#### Unit 1- Social change

- a. Meaning, Nature and Scope
- b. Change and Resistance
- c. Change and Continuity
- d. Tradition versus Modernity

## Unit 2- Sociological Theories of Social Change in India

- a. Positional Change: Sanskritization, Westernization and Modernization
- b. Structural Change: Power and Domination

## **Unit 3- Agents of Social Change**

- a. Education and Social Change
- b. Science, Technology and Social Change
- e. Social Movements: Dalit Movement, Women's Movement, Peasant Movements, Middle Class Aspirations

#### Unit 4- Globalization and Social Change in India

- a. Media: New Media, Social Media
- b. Megacities
- c. Network Societies
- d. Hybridization

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- 1. Ambedkar, B.R. (1971). Annihilation of Caste. Jullunder: Bheem Patrika.
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#### <u>FIFTH SEMESTER</u>

# PAPER 5.1 : SOCIOLOGY OF TRIBAL SOCIETIES IN INDIA

#### **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. The Concept of Tribe
- b. Tribe, Caste and Nation
- c. Demographic Profile: Habitat, Distribution and concentration of tribal people, Tribal Zones
- d. Types of Classification of Tribal Society: Occupation, Linguistic and Religion

# Unit 2- Colonial/ Post Colonial Policies and Tribes

- a. The impact of colonial rule on tribal society
- b. Post-Independence scenario
- c. Tribal Development
- d. Emerging Tribal Elite: Tribe and class

# **Unit 3- Problems of Tribal People**

- a. Poverty, Land Alienation and Indebtedness
- b. Illiteracy
- c. Agrarian issues
- d. Exploitation

## Unit 4- Issues of Integration and Autonomy.

- a. Social Mobility and Change: Hinduization, Sanskritization and Christanization
- b. Formation of tribal states
- c. Tribal movements: Colonial and Post-Independence periods
- d. Tribal Integration and Identity

- 1. Bose, N. K. (1967). Culture and Society in India. Bombay: Asia Publishing House
- 2. Desai, A. R. (1979). Peasant Struggles in India. Bombay: Oxford University Press.
- 3. Dube, S.C. (1977). Tribal Heritage of India. New Delhi: Vikas Publications.
- von Fürer-Haimendorf, Christoph. (1982). *Tribes of India: The Struggle for Survival*. Berkley: University of California Press
- 5. Hasnain, N. (1983). Tribes in India. New Delhi: Harnam Publications.
- 6. Rao, M.S.A. (1979). Social Movements in India. Delhi: Manohar.
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- 9. Singh, K.S. (1972). *Tribal Situation in India*. Shimla: Indian Institute of Advanced Study.
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# PAPER 5.2 : RURAL SOCIOLOGY IN INDIA

## **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. Meaning, Nature and Scope
- b. Perspectives on Rural Society

## **Unit 2- Rural and Agrarian Social Structure**

- a. Family and Caste, Changing pattern of family
- b. Agrarian social structure: Evolution of land tenure system, Land Reforms, Jajmani System
- c. Rural-Urban Continuum

## **Unit 3- Rural Economy**

- a. Green Revolution and its Impact
- b. Indebtedness
- c. Bonded and Migrant Labourers

#### **Unit 4- Rural and Agrarian Transformation in India**

- a. Traditional Caste and Village Panchayats: Panchayati Raj before and after 73rd
  Constitutional Amendment, Panchayati Raj and Empowerment of Women
- b. Rural Co-operative Societies
- c. Programmes of Rural Development: Integrated Rural Developemt Programme(IRDP), Indira Awas Yojana, Employment Guarantee Scheme, Suwarna Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana, Sant Gadge Baba Gram Swachta Abhiyan, Sarva Shikha Abhiyan
- d. Community Development Programme, Poverty Alleviation Schemes, Changing modes of production in Indian Agriculture, Education and Recreation in rural areas

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- 3. Dube, S.C. (1988). *India's Changing Village: Human Factor in Community Development*. Bombay: Himalayan Publishing House.
- 4. Maheshwari, S.R. (1985). *Rural Development in India*. New Delhi: Sage Publication.
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- 6. Razvi, Shahra. (Ed.).(2003). Agrarian Change, Gender and Land Rights. Wiley-Blackwell.
- 7. Govt. of India. (2010) India Year Book. Publication Division, Govt. of India
- 8. Mukherjee, Ramkrishna. (1957). The Dynamics of Rural Society. Berlin.
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# PAPER 5.3 : URBAN SOCIOLOGY IN INDIA

## **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. Meaning, Nature and Scope
- b. Basic Concepts- Urban, Urbanism and Urbanisation
- c. Theories to Study Urban Growth: Ecological Patterns of Urban Growth Concentric Zone Theory, Sector Theory and Multiple Nuclei Theory; Socio-Psychological Approach
- d. Urban Space

## **Unit 2- Urbanization and its Impact**

- a. Urban Family and Neighbourhood
- b. Urban Women's Role
- c. Urban Culture
- d. Changing religious practices in urban areas

#### **Unit 3- Challenges facing Urbanization**

- a. Housing
- b. Slums
- c. Crimes and Vices
- d. Migration

#### **Unit 4- Cities and Globalization**

- a. Urban Planning and Local Bodies
- b. Global Cities
- c. Inequality in the Global City
- d. Governing Cities in a Global Age

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#### PAPER 5.4 : INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY IN INDIA

#### **Unit1-Introduction**

- a. Meaning, Scope and Nature
- b. Basic Concepts: Industrialisation, Urbanization, Industrialism, Industrial Society and Post-Industrial Society

#### **Unit 2- Structure of Industrial Society**

- a. Industrial Bureaucracy
- b. Alienation
- c. Industrial Conflict
- Industrial Organisational Analysis: Classical Theory, Decision Making Theory, Bureaucratic Theory
- e. Labour characteristics in sociological perspectives.

#### **Unit 3- Industrial and Labour Relations**

- a. Conciliation, Collective Bargaining and Adjudication,
- b. Trade Union and its functions, Role of Trade Unions in the industry

## **Unit 4- Industrialisation in India**

- a. Labour policy: Evolution and Evaluation
- b. Informal Sector
- c. Impact of Globalization

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## PAPER: 5.5 SOCIOLOGY OF NORTH-EAST INDIA

**Under Preparation** 

#### PAPER: 5.6 SOCIETY AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN ASSAM

Under Preparation

## SIXTH SEMESTER

# PAPER 6.1 : SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

#### **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. Concept, Meaning and Scope
- b. Sociological Perspectives: Emile Durkheim, Max Weber & Karl Marx
- c. Anthropological Perspectives: E.B.Tylor, B.Malinowski (Magic, Science and Religion)
- d. Psycho-Analytical Perspective

#### Unit 2- Religions of India \*

a. Islam

- b. Hinduism
- c. Christianity
- d. Buddhism
- e. Sikhism
- f. Jainism

## Unit 3- Rituals, Beliefs, Practices and Symbolism

- a. Rites of Passage
- b. Magic, Witchcraft and Oracles/divination
- c. Practices of Inversion
- d. Religious Symbolism
- e. Religious Practitioners
- f. Commercialization of Religion

# Unit 4- Religious Sects and Reformist Movement in India & Asia

- a) Bhakti, Sufi
- b) Neo-Vaishnavism
- c) Shaktaism
- d) Organisational efforts: Arya Samaj, Brahmo Samaj
- e) Impact of Globalisation on Religion: Tablighi Movement, Sai Baba

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# PAPER 6.2 : ECONOMIC SOCIOLOGY

#### **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. Definition, Nature and Scope
- b. Comparison between Economics and Economic Sociology
- c. Perspectives on Economic Sociology: Marx (Materialistic Interpretation of Society), Weber (Economy and Society), Simmel (Philosophy of Money), Durkheim (Division of Labour), Karl Polanyi ( Economy as established Process) and Parsons (Economy as a sub-system)
- d. Formalism and Substantivism

## Unit 2- Systems of Production, Circulation and Consumption

- a. Hunting, Gathering, Horticulture
- b. Domestic Mode of Production
- c. Peasant
- d. Capitalism

# **Unit 3- Firm and Organization**

- a. Labour and Labour Organization
- b. Reciprocity: Gift, Exchange and Markets
- c. Choice, Need and Consumption and its changing patterns

## **Unit 4- Economic Sociology and Indian Society**

- a. Socio-Cultural aspects of Economic Life in India: Impact of Religion and Caste
- b. Informalization of Production and Labour

- c. Global Markets
- d. Feminization of Labour

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# PAPER 6.3 : POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

## **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. Meaning, Nature and Scope
- b. Perspectives in Political Sociology
- c. Acephalous and State Structures
- d. Consensus and Conflict

## **Unit 2- Institution and Practices in Political Sociology**

- a. Representation of Power
- b. Legitimacy and Authority
- c. Interest Groups, Pressure Groups and Political Parties
- d. Role of Political Ideology

## Unit 3- Nation, State and Society

- a. Nation, States, Citizenship, Classes and Elites
- b. Protest, Movements and Resistance
- c. Political Revolution
- d. Civil Society and Advocacy Groups

## Unit 4- Society and Polity in India

- a. Democracy and the Development State
- b. Identity Politics: Nation and Caste, Nation and Ethnicity, Nation and Race.
- c. Caste Politics
- d. Ethnicity and Politics
- e. Majoritarianism and Minoritarism

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# PAPER 6.4 : SOCIOLOGY OF KINSHIP

#### **Unit 1- Nature and Significance**

- a. Basic Concepts: Descent, Filiation, Residence, Incest, Consanguinity, Affinity, Clan, Lineage, Kindred, Corporate and Non-Corporate Groups, Family.
- b. Descent: Unilineal, Double and Cognatic Descent, Authority, Inheritance, Alliance
- c. Kinship Terminology
- d. Kinship and Genealogy

## **Unit 2-Conceptualising Marriage**

- a. Forms and Types of Marriage: Marriage as a Sacrament, Marriage as Contract
- Rules of Marriage: Endogamy, Exogamy, Prescriptive and Preferential Marriage, Monogamy, Polygamy, Levirate and Sorrorate, Hypogamy and Hypergamy
- c. Marriage transactions: Dowry and Bride Wealth
- d. Challenges to marriage as an institution.

#### **Unit 3- Family and Household**

- a. Family Structure and Composition: Development Cycle
- b. Changes in Family
- c. Family and Gender Issues
- d. Functions of Family, Changes in Family.

## **Unit 4- Re-casting Kinship**

- a. Kinship Organization in India: Regional Variations
- b. Kinship and Gender
- c. Relatedness
- d. New Reproductive Technologies
- e. Re-imagining Families: Gay And Lesbian Family

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# PAPER 6.5 : SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER

#### **Unit 1- Gendering Sociology**

- a. Meaning, Nature and Scope
- b. Perspectives on Gender
- c. Socio-Biological Theory
- d. Women's Emancipation and Empowerment

# Unit 2- Gender as a Social Construct

- a. Sex, Gender, Sexuality
- b. Production of Masculinity and Femininity
- c. Performing Gender
- d. Gender and Equality

#### **Unit 3- Gender Differences and Discrimination**

- a. Gender, Class, Caste, Race
- b. Family, Work and Property Rights
- c. Gender Violence

## Unit 4- Gender, Power and Resistance

- a. Gender and Politics
- b. Women's Movements in India
- c. Women's Movement in North-East India
- d. Institutionalizing Women's Rights

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#### PAPER 6.6 : POPULATION AND SOCIETY

#### **Unit 1- Introduction**

- a. Definition, Nature and Scope of Social Demography
- b. Perspectives on Social Demography: Malthusian Theory, Demographic Transition and Optimum Population Theory
- c. Relation of Social Demography with other Social Sciences: Demography, Sociology, Economics, Political Science.

# Unit 2- Basic Concepts in Social Demography

- a. Fertility: Factors of Fertility, Measures of Fertility
- b. Mortality: Factors of Mortality, Measures of Mortality
- c. Fecundity: Factors of Fecundity, Measures of Fecundity
- Migration: Immigration and Emigration Push and Pull Factors in Migration, Types of Migration- Internal and International

# Unit 3- Social Demography in India

- a. Statistical Indices: Age Structure, Sex-Ratio, Rural-Urban Composition, Literacy in India, Marital Status, Occupation, Religion, Languages and Population Structure
- b. Population and Distribution in India
- c. Gender and Demography
- d. Population and Development

## **Unit 4- Policies and Programmes**

- Population Policies in the Post –Independence Period: Family Welfare Programmes, Challenges of population growth, Population planning and control- Needs and Objectives, Family and Reproductive Health- National Rural Health Mission, Anti-Natalist Policies, Depopulation as a trend
- b. Changing Trends in Demography
- c. Population Policy of the Government of India: A Critical Appraisal Problems of implementing growth control measures, Causes for success and failures.
- d. Demography and Gerontology

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