

B.A. II – SOCIOLOGY – 2012-13

Paper Ist : Indian Society : Issues and Problems

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Objectives:

Society in India today is undergoing rapid and massive changes. Many of the changes are such that they tend to call into question the age- old social norms and practices, thus giving rise to some critical social issues and problems.

This course is designed to indentify and analyze come of such emerging Social issues and problems from sociological perspective. In the interest of systematic ordering, the issues and problems have been classified into four sets: structural, familial development and organizational. The course seeks to go beyond the commonsense understanding of the prevailing social issues and problems in order to project them into their structural context. Accordingly, it focuses on their structural linkages and interrelationships.

Hence the objectives of the course are to sensitize the students to the emerging social issues and problems of contemporary India, enable them to acquire sociological understanding of these issues and problems over and above their commonsense understanding. Empower them to deal with these issues and problems and to serve as change agents both in governmental and non- governmental organizations.

COURSE OUTLINES

- Unit:1 Structural : Poverty, inequality of caste and gender, Problems of Religious, ethnic and regional, minorities, backward classes and dalits.
- Unit:2 Familial: Dowry, domestic violence, divorce, intra and inter—generational conflict, problems of elderly.
- Unit:3 Developmental: Problems of developing countries – India.
Ecological degradation.
- Unit:4 Disorganizational: Crime and Delinquency, White Collar crime and criminals, drug addiction, suicide, terrorism, cyber crime. Corruption in public sphere.

Essential Readings:

- Beteille, Andre, 1974, Social Inequality, New Delhi.
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Paper II: Social Change and Social Control

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Objectives :-

Social change and social Control have always been a central concern of Sociological study. For as social Change is concern, it has gained in salience Partly because of its unprecedented rapidity and partly because of social change as well as of Social Control.

- Unit:1** **Social Change:** Meaning, factors of social change : Biological Factors Demographic Factors, Technological Factors, Economic Factors Cultural Factors.
- Unit:2** **Theories of Social Change:** Malthus, Veblen, Marx, Ogburn and Sorokin.
- Unit:3** **Other Concepts Relating To Social Change:** Social Evolution and Progress Social process:(Industrialization, urbanization, Modernization.)
- Unit:4** **Social Control:** Definition, importance of Social Control, Types, Agencies of Social control : Family, Propaganda, Public Opinion, education and State, Religion.
- Unit:5** **Socialization:** Meaning and definition of Socialization, Agencies of Socialization. Theories: Cooley, Mead, Freud.

Essential Reading:

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