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SOCIOLOGY

(Core)

Paper : C-2

(Sociology of India)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×8=8

(a) Which one of the following distinguishes a tribe from a caste?

(i) Trace of descent from a common ancestor

(ii) Observance of rule of endogamy

(iii) Living in a common territory

- (b) Indian society is _____ in nature.
- (i) tribal
 - (ii) pluralistic
 - (iii) rural
- (c) Who wrote, *An Anthropologist among the Historians and Other Essays*?
- (i) J. Breman
 - (ii) B. S. Cohn
 - (iii) S. Kaviraj
- (d) Missionary approach belongs to
- (i) Colonial discourse
 - (ii) Nationalist discourse
 - (iii) Subaltern critique
- (e) To which religion is 'five symbols' related?
- (i) Jainism
 - (ii) Sikhism
 - (iii) Buddhism
- (f) Harijans were excluded from the Chaturvarna system
- (i) as they are out-castes
 - (ii) as they are too inferior to be included in the Varna scheme
 - (iii) by Hindu religious texts

- (g) The principle or set of principles by which ego's consanguineal relatives are determined is technically known as
- (i) rules of kinship
 - (ii) rules of descent
 - (iii) rules of residence
- (h) Who is the author of the book, *The Study of Industrial Labour in Post-Colonial India—The Formal Sector : An Introductory Review?*
- (i) J. Breman
 - (ii) C. V. F. Haimendorf
 - (iii) J. P. S. Uberoi

2. Write notes on any *four* of the following (within 150 words each) : 4×4=16

- (a) Village studies during colonial rule in India as explained by B. S. Cohn
- (b) The formation of anti-colonial consciousness as put forth by Sudipta Kaviraj
- (c) Future of caste system with reference to Srinivas' analysis
- (d) Kinship system in Assamese society
- (e) Lifestyle of industrial labour in post-colonial India as stated by Jan Breman
- (f) Views of A. R. Momin on the Indo-Islamic tradition

3. Answer any four of the following questions
(within 500 words each) : 14×4=56

- (a) Critically examine the nationalist discourse in the light of the perspective explained by S. Kaviraj in his book, *The Imaginary Institution of India*. 14
- (b) What is Subaltern study? Discuss how Subaltern perspective is reflected in the studies of Ranajit Guha. 4+10=14
- (c) Define caste. Critically discuss J. Mencher's views on Indian caste system. 4+10=14
- (d) What is agrarian class? How does Dhanagare explain the model of agrarian classes in the light of Daniel Thorner's agrarian class structure? 4+10=14
- (e) Discuss the characteristics of Indian villages citing the references of Srinivas' perspective 'The Indian Village : Myth and Reality'. 14
- (f) Discuss how C. V. F. Haimendorf presents in his study about the position of tribal population in India among the non-tribals. 14
