3 SEM TDC SOCH (CBCS) C 6

2021

(Held in January/February, 2022)

SOCIOLOGY

(Core)

Paper: C-6

(Sociology of Religion)

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) Who is the author of the book, The Elementary Forms of Religious Life?
 - (i) Emile Durkheim
 - (ii) Max Weber
 - (iii) Karl Marx

- (b) Which among the following statements regarding relation between science and religion is correct?
 - (i) Religion is hostile to science.
 - (ii) Rationalism and empiricism are combined with each other.
 - (iii) Effect of religion on science is positive when it is supported by State.
- (c) Who is the author of the book, Economy and Society?
 - (i) Max Weber
 - (ii) S. J. Tambiah
 - (iii) Marcel Mauss
- (d) In which of the following countries Shintoism and Buddhism found?
 - (i) Japan
 - (ii) China
 - (iii) Korea
- (e) The book, Magic, Science and Religion: And Other Essays was written by
 - (i) B. Malinowski
 - ' (ii) Radcliffe-Brown
 - (iii) Max Weber

- (f) Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?
 - (i) Jainism—Theism
 - (ii) Buddhism-Monastic mysticism
 - (iii) Hinduism-Karma and Dharma
- (g) Which marriage from the following is considered as religious sacrament?
 - (i) Hindu marriage
 - (ii) Muslim marriage
 - (iii) Christian marriage
- (h) A particular system of religious belief and teachings is called
 - (i) theology
 - (ii) sect
 - (iii) spirituality
 - (iv) religion
- 2. Write on any four from the following (within 150 words each): 4×4=16
 - (a) Dysfunctions of religion
 - (b) Naturism as a form of religion
 - (c) Religion as an informal means of social control

- (d) The isolation of the sacred
- (e) Max Weber's views on rationality
- (f) Prayer as a social phenomena
- 3. Answer any four questions from the following (within 500 words each): 14×4=56
 - (a) What is religion? Discuss the social functions of religion. 4+10=14
 - (b) Critically discuss Emile Durkheim's views regarding origin of religion.
 - (c) What is totemism? Discuss the importance of totem among tribal people in Indian society. 4+10=14
 - (d) What is theodicy? Discuss how Max Weber has analyzed theodicy by comparing it with different religions.

4+10=14

- (e) What is myth? Discuss it by citing examples from the society of North-East India. 4+10=14
- (f) Discuss the E. E. Evans-Pritchard views on Time and Space.