SOCLIOchy (M): 2012 – FULL LENGTH TEST

MOCK TEST (7)  
Test Code: M107

Time Allowed: Three Hours  
Maximum Marks: 300

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer must be written in the medium specified in the Admission Certificate issued you, which must be state clearly on the cover of the answer book in the space provided for the purpose. No Marks will be given for the answers written in a medium other than that specific in the Admission Certificate.

Candidates should attempt Question 1 & 5 which are compulsory, and any three of the remaining questions, selecting at least one from each section.

All questions carry equal marks.

Parts of the same question must be answered together and must not be interposed between answers to other questions.
SECTION-A

1. **Write short notes on the following, keeping sociological perspective in view (Each short note in about 150 words)**

   12×5=60

   (a) Role of hypothesis in sociological research.
   (b) ‘Common-sense knowledge’ in sociological analysis.
   (c) Narrative analysis.
   (d) Poverty and exclusion.
   (e) Anomic pressure groups

2. (a) It is practically impossible to develop universally applicable theories in sociology. Explain.

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   (b) If Philosophy be taken as the thesis then Science would be its antithesis and Sociology its synthesis. Discuss.

3. (a) “A world of rationality is less conducive to religion than a traditional society. We find it very easy to talk about means and procedures but very difficult to discuss transcendental means.” Critically evaluate this statement.

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   (b) What are the grounds on which Kingsley Davis’s and Wilbert Moore’s functional theory of stratification has been challenged?

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4. (a) Talcott Parsons understanding of the ‘Social systems’ is high on technical virtuosity but low in ‘grounded’ research. Analyze.

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   (b) ‘History is past sociology and Sociology is present History.’ Discuss.

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SECTION-B

5. **Write short notes on the following, keeping sociological perspective in view (Each short note in about 150 words)**

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   (a) Rise of ethnic violence in a globalised world.
(b) Gender and social mobility.
(c) Social composition and policies for the Informal sector.
(d) Methodological Dualism.
(e) Religious Fundamentalism.

6. (a) Comment on how automation and technology has impacted the organization of work and the attitudes and orientation of workers towards work in modern industrial and post-industrial societies. 20

(b) Compare and contrast Karl Marx’s and Max Weber’s analysis of the modern phenomena of Capitalism. 20

(c) The civil society is playing an increasingly important role due to the developmental policies and actions of the State in present times. Evaluate. 20

7. (a) G. H. Mead’s concept of ‘Self and Identity’ has made immense contributions to micro-sociological perspectives. 20

(b) Are the high rates of marital break-downs indicative of fundamental structural changes in the institution of marriage? Examine. 20

(c) Social networking sites are changing the mode of mobilization and forms of protest in a globalised world. Elucidate. 20

8. (a) Critically analyze Robert K. Merton’s theory of Deviance with special reference to his formulations of the types of deviance. 20

(b) Protests and agitations are symptomatic of skewed development in society. Comment. 20

(c) Examine the relevance of Dependency theories in an increasingly globalizing world. 20