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MA 2nd Semester (Old) Exam., 2020

SOCIOLOGY

[MSO (S2) 08]

(Social Stratification)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer any *five* from the following questions (each in around *50* words) : 2×5=10

(a) What is meant by 'social stratification'?

(b) State the meaning of 'class consciousness'.

(c) What is meant by 'social mobility'?

(d) What are 'endogamous groups'?

(e) Define 'dominant caste'.

(f) What are 'ethnic groups'?

2. Answer any *three* from the following questions (each in around *150* words) : 4×3=12

(a) Highlight the importance of studying social stratification.

(b) Differentiate between Karl Marx's idea of infrastructure and superstructure. Give suitable examples.

(c) Distinguish between 'absolute mobility' and 'relative mobility'.

(d) Differentiate between sex and gender. Give suitable examples to support your answer.

3. Answer any *three* from the following questions (each in around *250* words) : 6×3=18

(a) Explain inter-generational and intra-generational social mobility.

(b) Write a note on the status of women in India.

(c) Define 'community'. State four characteristics of a community.

(d) Explain Davis and Moore theory of social stratification.

4. Answer any *four* from the following questions (each in around *500* words) : 10×4=40

(a) Discuss the idea of 'communalism'.

(b) Discuss any two forms of social stratification.

(c) Discuss Max Weber's idea of considering 'unequal distribution of power' as one dimension of social stratification.

(d) Analyze the relevance of the caste system in India in present times.

(e) How does social stratification impact the society? Critically examine.

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