Ba/Soc-501

2014
(5th Semester)

SOCIOLOGY

Paper No: SOC-501

(Marriage, Family and Kinship)

Full Marks: 70
Pass Marks: 45%

Time: 3 hours

(PART: B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks: 45)

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

1. What is marriage? Discuss the rules of marriage. 2+7=9

Or

Write an essay on 'challenges to marriage' as an institution. 9
2. Explain the different stages of family life cycle.  
   
   Or 
   What are the changing trends of family in the present context? Discuss.

3. Explain the functionalists perspective on family.  
   
   Or 
   Discuss the interactionist theory on family.

4. Explain the genealogical method with the help of diagram.  
   
   Or 
   What do you understand by kinship terminologies? Explain.

5. What is descent? Discuss the kinship system found in the Naga society.  
   
   Or 
   Elaborate on the matrilineal kinship system found among the Garos and Khasis of Meghalaya.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

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SECTION—I

(Marks : 10)

Put a Tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the brackets provided: 1×10=10

1. Marriage to more than one wife is called
   (a) polyandry
   (b) polygyny
   (c) matrilineality
   (d) matrifocality

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2. An important advantage of exogamy is that
   (a) it ensures that individuals will marry outside a group
   (b) it helps establish economic relations with neighbouring group
   (c) it reduces the likely of warfare
   (d) All of the above

3. Kinship relationship is based on
   (a) blood
   (b) marriage
   (c) adoption
   (d) All of the above

4. A dowry
   (a) is compensation to the bride’s family for losing a daughter
   (b) is the transfer of money or wealth by the groom’s family for the loss of his labour
   (c) is wealth received by the bride from her husband’s family
   (d) is compensation for taking responsibility for the bride where women are regarded as economic burden
5. The use of the word 'uncle' to both mother's brother and father's brother is an example of
   (a) classificatory term
   (b) descriptive term
   (c) teknonymy
   (d) avunculate

6. The word 'family' is derived from 'famulus' which is a ___ word.
   (a) Portuguese
   (b) Greek
   (c) Latin
   (d) Sanskrit

7. What is the term for the permanent social unit whose members claim a common ancestry?
   (a) Ambilineal group
   (b) Descent group
   (c) Extended family
   (d) Nuclear family
8. Symbolic interactionists view the family as

(a) a vehicle to maintain patriarchy (gender inequality) and social inequality in society

(b) a construct that fulfills important functions and keeps society running smoothly

(c) a site of social reproduction where meanings are negotiated and maintained by family members

(d) None of the above

9. Hypogamy is that form of marriage in which the

(a) ritual status of woman is higher than the prospective husband

(b) ritual status of man is higher than the prospective wife

(c) both the man and the woman have equal ritual status

(d) None of the above

10. Which of the following is not a factor for the changing trends in family?

(a) Industrialization

(b) Modern education

(c) Religion

(d) Legislative measures
SECTION—II
(Marks: 5)

Indicate whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F) by putting a Tick (√) mark:

1. When sociologists say that marriage is found in all human societies they mean that there are socially approved sexual and economic unions between men and women in all societies.

   (T/F)

2. Evelyn Duvall outlined the family cycle into eight stages.

   (T/F)

3. Patrilineal descent and matrilineal descent are never both used in the same society.

   (T/F)

4. In the genealogical method, Δ (triangle) denotes female.

   (T/F)

5. A nuclear family consists of more than three generations.

   (T/F)
Write short answers on any five of the following:

1. What is endogamy?

2. What is bride price?

3. Define classificatory kinship term.
4. Write the conflict view on family.

5. What is family?
6. What is consanguineous kinship?

7. What do you understand by patrilineal descent?
1. In the ecosystem, 'producers' are

(a) animals
(b) plants
(c) insects
(d) animals and plants
2. The term 'human development index' refers to
   
   (a) increased longevity  ☐
   (b) increased knowledge  ☐
   (c) enhancement of knowledge  ☐
   (d) All of the above  ☐

3. 'Earth Day' is being observed on
   
   (a) April 18  ☐
   (b) April 22  ☐
   (c) June 5  ☐
   (d) March 21  ☐

4. The term 'species diversity' refers to
   
   (a) number of species in a country  ☐
   (b) number of species in a State  ☐
   (c) number of species in a district  ☐
   (d) number of species in a region  ☐
5. Which of the following is a nonrenewable resource of energy?

(a) Timber  
(b) Water  
(c) Air  
(d) Mineral

6. Ecosystem acts as

(a) resource producers  
(b) processors  
(c) Both of the above  
(d) None of the above

7. Greenhouse effect leads to

(a) global warming  
(b) atmospheric change  
(c) damage of green forest  
(d) heavy rainfall
8. A lung disease known as 'black lung' is caused by
   (a) consumption of tobacco
   (b) smoke
   (c) dust produced during mining
   (d) unhealthy food

9. The Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 was amended in the year
   (a) 1988
   (b) 2000
   (c) 2002
   (d) 2005

10. The constitutional provision to “protect and improve the natural environment, including forests, lakes, rivers and wildlife, and to have compassion for all living creatures” is in
    (a) Article 54A (g)
    (b) Article 48A
    (c) Article 51A (g)
    (d) Article 52

11. HIV/AIDS is a
    (a) disease
    (b) virus
    (c) bacterium
    (d) nematode
12. National River Conservation Plan was launched in India in the year
   (a) 1995  □
   (b) 1994  □
   (c) 1992  □
   (d) 2001  □

13. The ECO-MARK Scheme was launched by the Ministry in the year
   (a) 1991  □
   (b) 1992  □
   (c) 1993  □
   (d) 1994  □

14. Which among the following is a primary energy source in our life?
   (a) Solar power  □
   (b) Hydroelectric power  □
   (c) Biomass energy  □
   (d) Wind power  □

15. The major cause of soil erosion in the hills of North-East India is due to
   (a) urbanization  □
   (b) industrialization  □
   (c) construction of roads  □
   (d) deforestation  □
(A) Answer the following not exceeding 100 words each:

2 × 5 = 10

1. What is hydrosphere?
2. How is biogas produced?
3. Explain food web.
4. Mention the factors responsible for causing acid rain.
5. Explain two health hazards of environmental pollution.
(B) Answer the following not exceeding 250 words each:

5 x 3 = 15

1. What are the major pollutants in your State that affect the environment? Discuss.
2. What do you understand by the concept of climate change? How does it affect human life?
3. Discuss the management and mitigation measures of earthquakes.
(C) Answer any three of the following:

1. Explain the meaning of renewable and nonrenewable energy. What role can you play in conserving the natural resources? 5+5=10
2. Discuss the role of Information Technology in conserving environment.
3. What do you understand by pollution? Discuss the causes and effects of water pollution. 4+6=10
4. Define ecosystem. Explain its functions. 4+6=10
5. Explain the causes of deforestation in your State. What role would you play in containing deforestation?