

Solapur University, Solapur

Semester Pattern Revised Syllabus

M.A. (ENTIRE SOCIOLOGY)

M.A. Part – II

(w.e.f. June 2014)

Group E : Core Component

III Theoretical Perspectives in Sociology

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V Political Sociology,

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Group : E : Paper III

Theoretical Perspectives in Sociology

Objectives :-

1. To make the students to understand the basic theoretical approaches and to develop their Sociological thinking.
2. To acquaint the students with the methodology and conclusions of the theoretical perspectives in understanding social structure and change.
3. To provide the students with basic understanding of Sociological theories in order to pursue the advanced courses in Sociology.

Semester – III

(I) INTRODUCTION :

- a) Nature of Sociological Theory.
- b) Characteristics of Sociological Theory.
- c) Relationship between Theory and Research.
- d) Types of Sociological Theories.

(II) STRUCTURAL FUNCTIONALISM.

- a) The Idea of Social Structure : A. R. Radcliffe – Brown.
- b) Functional Dimensions of Social System : T. Parsons.
- c) Codification, Critique and Reformulation of Functional Analysis : R.K. Merton.

(III) STRUCTURALISM AND POST – STRUCTURALISM

- a) Linguistic structuralism : Ferdinand Saussure.
- b) Human Nature and Cultural Diversity : C. Levi – Strauss.
- c) Structuralism and Post – Structuralism : M. Foucault.

(IV) CONFLICT THEORY.

- a) Dialectical Conflict Theory : R. Dahrendorf.
- b) Functional Analysis of Conflict : L. Coser.
- c) Conflict and Social Change : R. Collins.

Semester – IV

(I) NEO – FUNCTIONALISM AND NEO – MARXISM.

- a) J. Alexander.
- b) J. Habermass.
- c) L. Althusser.

(II) SYMBOLIC INTERACTIONISM

- a) George Mead
- b) Herbart Blumer
- c) Erving Goffman

(III) PHENOMENOLOGY AND ETHNOMETHODOLOGY.

- a) Husserl and Alfred Schutz.
- b) Peter Berger and Luckmann.
- c) Garfinkel.

(IV) STRUCTURATION AND POST – MODERNISM.

- a) Giddens.
- b) Derrida
- c) Foucault.

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Group : E : Paper IV

Methodology of Social Research

Objectives :

1. To create the Attitude of Research skill among the Students of Sociology.
2. To provide the exposure to the fundamentals of research Methods and techniques.
3. To build upon the basic Assumptions in adopting various methodologies for different kinds of Research themes.

Semester – III

I) Philosophical Roots of Social Research :

- a) Issues in the theory of Epistemology.
- b) Philosophy of Social Science : Reason and Science, Cartesian Structure of Scientific Revolution (Kohn)
- c) Scientific Method Used in Social Research
- d) Positivism and its Critique – Contributions of August Comte and Emile Durkheim.

II) Social Research and its Significance :

- a) Concept and Objectives of Social Research.
- b) Inductive and Deductive reasoning and Theory Building
- c) Subjectivity & Objectivity in Social Research.
- d) Identification of the Research Problem and Selection of Universe.

III) Hypothesis

- a) Concept, Characteristics and Formulation of Hypothesis.
- b) Sources of Hypothesis.
- c) Types of Hypothesis.
- d) Significance and Utility of Hypothesis.

IV) Research Design :

- a) Concept and Meaning.
- b) Types of Research Design : Explanatory, Descriptive and Dignostic
- c) Idealized and Practical Research Design.
- d) Significance of Research Design in Social Research.

Semester – IV

I) Techniques of Social Research :

- a) Observation : Concept, Types, Advantages and Limitations.
- b) Interview Technique : Interview, Schedule, Types, Advantages & Limitations
- c) Sampling Technique : Types, Probability, Non-probability Multistage Advantages and Limitations
- d) Questionnaire : Types, Merits and Limitations.

II) Methods of Social Research :

- a) Survey Method :
- b) Case-study Method :
- c) Historical Method:
- d) Comparative Method.

III) Computer, Internet and Social Research :

- a) Application of Computer in Social Research.
- b) Use of Internet in Social Research.
- c) Special Package for Social Sciences Model, (SPSS Model)

IV) Interpretation and Analysis of Data :

- a) Classification, Tabulation and Coding.
- b) Analysis of Data.
- c) Report Writing.

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Ethics; Harmondsworth : Penguin, 1979.

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GROUP – E1 – PAPER – V

POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

Objectives :

1. To introduce the students to the basic concepts in Political Sociology.
2. To orient the students to various theoretical approaches to Political Sociology.
3. To analyze the political behaviour and political processes.

Semester – III

I) Nature of Political Sociology.

- A) Nature and Subject matter and scope of Political Sociology.
- B) Development of Political Sociology.
- C) Significance of Political Sociology.

II) Approaches To Political Sociology.

- A) Behavioral Approach.
- B) System Analysis Approach
- C) Pluralistic Model.

III) Political Culture and Socialization

- A) Political Culture – Meaning and Significance
- B) Political Socialization : - Meaning and Significance.
- C) Agencies of Political Socialization.

IV) Elite Theories of Distribution of Power

- A) Max Weber and Vilfredo Pareto
- B) C.W. Mills
- C) Mosca and R. Michel

Semester – IV

I) Political Participation :

- A) Pressure Groups and Interest Groups.
- B) Voting Behaviour
- C) Political Role of Intellectuals.

II) Political Bureaucracy:

- A) Meaning & Characteristics
- B) Types
- C) Significance

III) Political Process and Political Parties in India.

- A) Role of Caste, Religion, Regionalism and Language in Indian Politics.
- B) Role and Participation of Women in Politics.
- C) Political Parties :- Characteristics, Composition and Function.

IV) Public Opinion :

- A) Role of Mass Media.
- B) Problems of Communication in Illiterate Societies,
- C) Politicization of Social Life : Awareness among the people about Political Ideology and Political Participation.

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Development in India, Routledge, 1992

R. Bhaskaran; *Sociology of Politics Tradition and Politics in India*, Asia Publishing
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New Delhi 1982.

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Group : E 1: Paper VI

SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Objectives :

1. To contextualize the study of religion within the discipline of Sociology.
2. To orient the students to the Sociological perspective of religion.
3. To introduce students to the inter-relationships between religion and other aspects of society.
4. To enrich the understanding of the process of nation building and national integration.

Semester – III

I) Introduction :

- a) Meaning and Sociological Definition of Religion.
- b) Characteristics of Religion.
- c) Nature and Scope of Sociology of Religion.
- d) Sociological Significance of Religion.

II) Sociological Interpretations / Approaches of Religion :

- a) Emile Durkheim and Functionalism,
- b) Max Weber and Phenomenology,
- c) Karl Marx and Dialectical Materialism,
- d) Lavi-Strauss and Structuralism.

III) Contestation over Religion in India :

- a) Fundamentalism,
- b) Communalism,
- c) Secularism,
- d) Proselytism.

IV) Religion and Social Problems : :

- a) Multiculturalism
- b) Decline of Religious Values and Norms
- c) Religion and inequality.
- d) Conversion.

Semester – IV

I) Religious Experience and Consequences :

- a) Religious Beliefs,
- b) Rites and Rituals,
- c) Superstitions,
- d) Typology of Religions.

II) Religion and Society :

- a) Magic and Sorcery,
- b) Education,
- c) State,
- d) Economy,
- e) Caste,
- f) Religion and Women

III) Indian Religions: (Social History, Social Philosophy and Contemporary Trends) :

- a) Hinduism,
- b) Buddhism,
- c) Jainism,
- d) Sikhism
- d) Veerashaivism / Lingayatism.

IV) Religions in India : (Social History, Social Philosophy and Contemporary Trends):

- a) Christianity,
- b) Islam,
- c) Zoroastrianism / Parseeism.
- d) Bahaism

Recommended Books :

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