DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

B.A. GENERAL COURSE DISTRIBUTION (NEP-II) Course Structure for 4th Year Bachelor Programme

(Major in Sociology)

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Ripom Paul

B.A. SOCIOLOGY IN MAJOR (NEP)

SEMESTER-I

SOC - INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY : (4 Credits)

PAPER CODE: SOCDSC 101 Full Marks- 50

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1. Fundamentals of Sociology

Definition; Nature and Scope; Sociology and other Social Sciences (History, Economics, Political Science, Education, Social Anthropology; Psychology); Sociology and common sense: Relationship, Similarities and Distinctions; Growth and development of Sociology as a discipline: Role of Enlightenment, French and Industrial Revolutions in shaping the Discipline

2. Concepts

Society, Community, Institution, Association, Social group, Norms and Values, Folkways and Mores: Definitions, characteristics, Types, functions of each and comparisons.

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3. Individual, Culture and Society:

Meaning of Culture; Characteristics and Functions of Culture; 'Man in Society', 'Society in Man'; Culture and Personality; Socialization: Concept, Agency, Importance. The concept of self. Formation of self in society: Theories of Cooley, Mead and Piaget.

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4.Social Institutions: Evolution and Progress

a)Family: Definition, Origin, Features, Functions, Forms Recent changes in family structure worldwide, Alternatives to family: Step parenting, singleparent family, cohabitation, gay-parent family; Changes in functions of families; Families in India: Extended, Joint and Nuclear families: Forms and functions; Changes in Indian family system after independence Kinship Importance; Kinship terminologies, Typologies, Functions, Descent, Clan, Kinship in North and South India Page 6 of 24

b)Marriage: Definition, Marriage and promiscuous relationship, Marriage as an institution, Forms of marriage, Rules of marriage: Exogamy, Endogamy; Marriage selection in cyberage; Marriage in India; Dissolution of Marriages: Divorve and Remarriage in India.

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- a) **Political and Economic Institutions:** Non-state forms of power, Concept of state: Characteristics and Types of Governments. Concept of civil society; Forms of Economic Institutions: Property, Exchange, Reciprocity, Gift exchange, Market, Recent manifestations.
- **d) Religions Institutions:** Definition of Religion, Forms of religion, Religion as an institution. Religion and Magic; Magic and Science

SEMESTER-II

SOCDSEC - INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY: (4 Credits)

PAPER CODE: SOCDSC 201 Full Marks- 50

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1. **Social Structure: Social Relationship:** Definition of a Social Structure; Components of Social Structure; Social Structure and Social System; Social status: Definition and types, Status and Role, Multiple roles, Role – set, Role- conflict, Status- set, Status sequence.

Social Interaction: Definition and Importance in society; Social Relationships: Definition, Components and functions.

2. **Social Control**: Meaning, Nature, Purpose and Formal and Informal Agency: Law, Religion, Education, Mass media as agencies of social control; Values, Sanctions etc

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3. Social Stratification, Inequality and Hierarchy: Meaning and Characteristics of Social Stratification; Differentiation and Stratification; Theories of Stratification: Marx, Weber; Forms of social Inequality: Caste, class, Power and Gender; Formation of Social hierarchies in India: Rural and Urban Class Structures, Middle Class in rural and Urban India; Caste and Class, Caste and Politics Social mobility: Nature, forms of Social mobility, Social Mobility in India: Casta and Class Structures; Migration in India

4. Social process and Social Change:

Social processes: Cooperation, Competition, Conflict, Accommodation, Assimilation Social

Change: Concept; Growth, Evolution and Progress, Factors of S ocial change, Theories of social change: Marx, Durkheim, Weber; Concept of Cultural lag; Social changes in India: Legislative, Social, Demographic, Economic and Cultural changes since Independence

SEMESTER-III

SOCDSC – FOUNDATIONS OF WESTERN SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT (4 Credits)

SOCDSC 301

Full Marks- 50

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- 1. A. Saint Simon: Concept of Industrial Society; Social regulation
- B. Harriet Martineau: Morals and Manners; Religion; Methodology;
- **2. August Comte:** Law of Three stages; Hierarchy of sciences; Positivism; Social Statics and Social Dynamics
- 3. Herbert Spencer: Organic Analogy; Evolutionism; Social Darwinism; Social Differentitation
- **4. Emile Durkheim:** Division of Labour; Suicide; Religion; Methodology;
- **5.Karl Marx:** Dialectics; Historical Materialism; Capitalism; Class and class struggle; Alienation; Revolution

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- **6. Max Weber:** Social Action; Ideal Type; Concept of Power; Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism
- **7. Vilfredo Pareto :**Types of Action; Circulation of Elites
- **8. Georg Simmel:** Concept of Modern Society; Social Relationships and culture; Philosophy of Money

SEMESTER-IV

SOCDSC – FOUNDATIONS OF INDIAN SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT (4 Credits)

SOCDSC 401

Full Marks- 50

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- **1. A. Development of Sociology in India** An Overview; Social and Intellectual context in the development of Schools of Sociological traditions in India: Bombay School; Lucknow School
- **B. Contributions of Benoy Kumar Sarkar-** Positivism, Personality, Progress, Interpretation of Indian Tradition
- C. Contribution of G S Ghurye: Approach to Sociology, Caste and Tribe, Dynamics of culture and society
- **2.A.** Contributions of D P Mukerji: Personality, Methodology, Interpretation of tradition and social change in India, Middle-class in India
- **B. Contributions of NK Bose:** Approach to the study of society, Structure of Hindu society, Concept of tribal absorption, Study of Calcutta

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- C. Radhakamal Mukerjee: Society and Values; Social Ecology
- 3.A. Irawati Karve: Fieldview; Kinship Organization
- B. A. R. Desai: Marxist Interpretation of Indian Society; Agrarian Economy
- C. M. N. Srinivas: Concept of caste; Sanskritization and Westernization; Fieldwork
- **D. Ramkrishna Mukherjee:** Rural Economy and Society; Sociology of Indian Sociology; Sociology and Society; Scientific Method.
- E. Leela Dube: Woman and Kinship; Construction of Gender.

SEMESTER-IV

SOCDSC – INDIAN SOCIETY (4 Credits)

SOCDSC 402

Full Marks- 50

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India as a Plural Society: Bases of Unity; Sources of Diversity; Unity and Diversity, Nation building in India

Caste, Class, Tribe and Religion: Evolution of each; Changing Importance, Changes in each in Indian Society, Agrarian classs structure; Disintegration of caste system? Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes: Emergence; Impact of changes; Adivasi consciousness; Interrelationships between caste, class and religion

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Family, Marriage and Kinship: Changing forms, Changing Functions of each; Weakening of gender and age stratification - democratisation of relationships: between spouses, parent-children; step-parenting; Changes in caregiving of children and elderly; Changes in age of marriage, marriage decision making and regional variations; Violence within family in India; Disintegration and Debates in family and Marriage

Villages in India: Changes in Villages after independence; Village Panchayat: Emergence, Evolution, Structure, Function, Leadership; Caste Panchayat: Emergence and Relevance

Rural Ecology and Economy: changing environment; changing landscapes; Markets, Economic institutions in rural and urban India

SEMESTER-IV

SOCDSC - SOCIAL RESEARCH I (4 Credits)

SOCDSC 403

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- **1. Social Research:** Meaning and Definition; Importance of Social Research in Sociology; Link between Research and Theory
- **2.** Types of Social Research; Stages of Social Research; Inductive and Deductive Social Research
- **3. Research Design:** Meaning; Features; Importance; Descriptive and Exploratory Research Designs
- **4. Sampling:** Population; universe; Sample; Sources of Data: Primary and Secondary; Types and Methods of Sampling
- **5. Techniques of data collection:** Observation, Interview and Questionnaire: Definition, Meaning, types and Characteristics of each

SEMESTER- IV

SOCDSC – SOCIAL CHANGE (4 Credits)

SOCDSC 404

Full Marks- 5

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1.Social Change: Concept, Features, Patterns: Linear and Cyclical

- **2. Evolution, Progress, Development, Growth, Movement; Revolution:** Concept/Meaning, Features; Social movement in India: Dalit Movement, Women's Movement, Students Movement, Working Class Movement: Evolution, Leadership and Organization
- **3.Processes of Change in India I:** Sanskritization, Westernization, Modernization, Secularization: Concept, Features, Impact
- **4. Processes of Change in India II:** Urbanization, Industrialization, Globalization: Concept, Features and Impact