

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

**B.A. GENERAL COURSE DISTRIBUTION
(NEP-II)**

**Course Structure for 4th Year Bachelor Programme
(Interdisciplinary Minor Course in Sociology)**

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B.A. SOCIOLOGY IN INTERDISCIPLINARY MINOR COURSE
(NEP)
SEMESTER- I

SOC - **INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY** : (4 Credits)

Paper-I

Paper Code - IDC Minor 101

Full Marks- 50

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Module: -1 (12L)

i) Sociology as a discipline; Nature and scope; Sociology and Social Sciences: Philosophy, History, Political Science, Social Anthropology and Economics

ii) Concepts: Definitions, features ,Types , Functions

Society, Community, Institutions, Associations, social groups and social Structure

iii) Social Process: Cooperation; Completion; Conflict; Accommodation; Assimilation

Module: -2 (13L)

i) Culture and Society: Culture: definition, characteristics, elements/components, functions; Norms and values; Relationship between Individual and culture; Socialization: Meaning, Characteristics, Agencies; Culture and Civilization

ii) Social Control and Social Change: Meaning, Nature and Purpose of Social Control; Agencies of Social Control: Formal and Informal; Social Change: Concept, Definition, Characteristics and Factors

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Module: -3 (10 L)

i) **Understanding India:** India as a Plural Society- meaning of plural society, Emerging trends of pluralism- political, economic and culture

ii) **Social Institutions and Practices-** Meaning and Definition, characteristics and changing trends –Caste, Tribe, Class

Module: -4 (10L)

i) **Identities and Change after Independence:** Ethnic Movements; Dalits' Movement ; Women's Movement

ii) **Challenges to State and Society:** Communalism, Secularism, Regionalism

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SEMESTER- II**

SOC – Understanding Rural and Urban Society in India (4 Credits)

Paper-II

Paper Code - IDC Minor 201

Full Marks- 50

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Module: -1 (10L)

i) Rural Society:

Features of Rural Society; Villages, Caste, Varna, Jati, jajmani system , class in Rural society

ii) Rural Social Institutions: Features of Rural Family; Joint Family Institution; Role of Dominant Caste in Rural India,

iii) Rural Economy: Concept and Features of a Rural Economy; Pre Colonial and Post Colonial Rural Economy in India; Changes in Jajmani system; Green Revolution; The Impact of the New Economic Policy on the Rural Economy in India.

Module: -2 (10 L)

i) **Urban Society:** Feature of Urban Society; Process of Urbanization; Patterns of Urbanization

ii) Process of Urbanization in India: Growth of Urban Population in India, Emergence of Cities, Causes and Consequences of Urbanization

iii) Urban Social Structure: Urban family, urban social stratification – Caste and

Class, Occupational Divisions

Module: -3 (10 L)

Rural Urban Sociology:

1. Rural Sociology: Introduction: Concept of Rural Sociology; Origin, Development and Scope of Rural Sociology; Significance of Rural Sociology in India

2. Introduction to Urban Sociology: Origin, Nature and scope, Importance of the study of Urban Sociology in India.

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Module: -4 (15 L)

Rural and Urban Governance:

1) Rural Governance: Emergence of Panchayat

Raj System in India; 73rd Constitution Amendment and Rural Governance; Structure and Functions of Rural Local Governance in India.

ii) Rural Development: Concept, Objectives and Importance of rural development; an overview of Contemporary Rural development (with special reference to SGSY and MGNREG schemes) in India.

iii) Urban Slums: Problems and challenges, urban development programmes.

iv) Urban Governance: Meaning and Principle of Urban Governance, Urban Governance in India, urban violence: Challenges to Urban Governance.

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SEMESTER- III**

SOC – Science , Technology and Society (4 Credits)

Paper-III

Paper Code - IDC Minor 301

Full Marks- 50

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Module: -1 (11L)

i) Conceptual Understanding of Science and Technology:

Meaning of Science and Technology, difference between science and technology, relation between Science and technology and its impact on society Philosophy of Science and Methods of Science

ii) Science and Technology: Classical and contemporary sociological thought : Contributions of Comte, Durkheim, Vienna School

iii) Karl Popper's notion of Falsification-Thomas Kuhn's notion of Paradigm and Scientific Revolution

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Module: -2 (11L)

i) Technological change and Impact on Society: Technological change and impact on Social structures and Processes

ii) Technology and change in sphere of Economy and Work

iii) Interplay of Technology, Polity and Power structures

iv) Social movements and Role of social media

Module: -3 (11L)

Opportunities, Challenges, and Path Ahead:

i) Technology, Media,

Identity and global society

ii) Conformity and Deviance and Role of Science and Technology

iii) Social inequalities, Social exclusion and Digital divide; Technology and developmental issue

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Module: -4 (12L)

Issues in Science, Technology and Society: i) Science and Technology policy of Government of India: Intellectual property rights: The Patent Act of India 1911 and the Indian Patent Act of 1970; IP rights in India and progressive harmonization with international standards; Patent Amendment Act (2005); Science, technology and ethical issues

ii) Women in Science-Gender and Science-Has feminism changed science ? - feminist epistemology -Eurocentrism-the Enlightenment-racism and science colonial

science-human body and science -Craniology and comparative anatomy in the 19th century-eugenics-caste and gender in Indian science

iii) How gender influences technologies and the social organization of scientific and technical workspaces---technologies constructed as masculine and feminine—technologies as both ‘liberating’ and ‘limiting’ women--- contributions of Cynthia Cockburn & Donna Haraway

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SEMESTER- IV**

SOC – Social Problems in India (4 Credits)

Paper-IV

Paper Code - IDC Minor 401

Full Marks- 50

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Module: -1 (11L)

- i) Social Problems, Theoretical approaches to Social Problems;
- ii) Social Problems and Disorganization. Causes & Types of Social Disorganization. Types of Social Problems; Consequences of Social problems
- iii) Approaches to Social problems: Functionalism; Examples of Functionalism; Functionalist Perspective; Conflict theory ; Conflict Perspective; Limitations; Interactionism; Definition of Interactionism; Symbolic Interactionist Perspective; Limitations

Module: -2 (11L)

Social Problems in India I:

- i) Population Explosion: Increase in Population, Causes, Effects, Population Policy
- ii) Poverty and Unemployment: Conceptual debate; Causes; Rural Poverty; Effective Measures in Poverty Alleviation;
- iii) Alcoholism and Drug Addiction: The concept, Extent of Alcoholism, Causes, Treatment of Alcoholics; Drug addiction, Causes, Role of family and peer groups, Preventing drug abuse and combating drug addicts.

Module: -3 (11L)

Social problems concerning Women and Children:

- i) Violence against Women: Nature, Types: Dowry; Domestic violence; Rape; Acid Attacks, Harassment at Workplace; Theoretical Explanation of Violent Behaviour, Controlling Violence against Women;
- ii) Child Abuse and Child Labour: Child Population and working children; Types of child abuse; Causes of child abuse; Effects of abuse on Children; The problem of child labour.
- iii) Deviance among Children: Concept of Juvenile delinquency; children in conflict with law and children in need of care and protection; Causes and Types of deviance among Juveniles ; Preventive measures; Juvenile justice system.
- iv) Female infanticide and Foeticide: Female infanticide – concept, causes, types, preventive measures; Female foeticide, Causes, Consequences, Possible solution.

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Social problems in India II:

- i) Suicide: Meaning, Types, Causes; Durkheim's views on Suicide. Problems faced by the Elderly in India
- iv) Corruption: Meaning, Forms and causes, Anti-corruption movements in India
- ii) Communalism and Secularism: Concept of communalism, Communal violence in India; Understanding Secularism in India.
- iii) Unemployment: Definition and Concept; Types of unemployment: Frictional, Cyclical, Seasonal, Structural, Technological & Disguised. Causes of unemployment in India; Unemployment in India: Remedies Effects of unemployment in India.