

LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – TAMIL LITERATURE

SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2010

SO 2100 - SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS OF FAMILY, MARRIAGE & KINSHIP

Date & Time: 22/04/2010 / 1:00 - 4:00 Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

PART A

Answer ALL the following questions in 30 words each: (10 x 2=20 marks)

1. What are social institutions?
2. Name any two associations.
3. Define family.
4. What is a matriarchal family?
5. Define marriage.
6. What is the difference between polyandry and polygyny?
7. What is *fasid* and *batil* marriage?
8. What is *teknonymy*?
9. State the difference between avunculate and amitate kinship.
10. What does single parent family mean?

PART B

Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words each: (5 x 8=40 marks)

11. What are the different types of institutions? Explain the importance of religious institutions in India.
12. Explain the characteristics and demerits of nuclear family.
13. Describe the aims and rites associated with the Hindu marriage.
14. Describe the ceremony and divorce in Christian marriage.
15. Define kinship. Explain the different types of kinship with examples.
16. Highlight the importance and determinants of *mehr* in Muslim marriage.
17. Explain the merits and demerits of joint family.

PART C

Answer any TWO questions in about 1,200 words each. (2 x 20=40 Marks)

18. What are the characteristics of social institutions? Describe the difference between associations and institutions.
19. Explain the primary and secondary functions of family and analyze the changing family patterns in India.
20. Explain the various types of marriage.
21. Write an essay on kinship usages.
