LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2010

SO 2501/SO 2500 - SOCIOLOGY OF INDIAN SOCIETY

Date & Time: 20/04/2010 / 1:00 - 4:00	Dept. No.	Max. : 100 Marks
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PART – A

Answer ALL questions in 30 words each. All questions carry equal marks (10x2=20 marks)

- 1. List out the problems of religious minorities.
- 2. What is race?
- 3. Explain the concept of Varna and Avarna.
- 4. What do you mean by karma?
- 5. Why class is considered as an open system?
- 6. Mention the religious disabilities of lower caste people.
- 7. Define joint family.
- 8. Point out the aims of Hindu marriage.
- 9. What are the causes for declining sex ratio in India?
- 10. What do you understand by protective discrimination?

PART - B

Answer any FIVE questions in 300 words each. All questions carry equal marks $(5 \times 8 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 11. Discuss the unity in diversity in India.
- 12. Explain the meaning and social implication of Dharma.
- 13. Bring out the characteristics of caste system in India.
- 14. Explain the important rites associated with Hindu Marriage.
- 15. Highlight the impact of social legislation on the status of women in India.
- 16. Explain the theories of origin of caste system.
- 17. Outline the changing trends in marriage.

PART - C

Answer any TWO questions in 1200 words each. All questions carry equal marks $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 18. Describe the status of women in modern India.
- 19. Examine class system in India and its relation to caste system.
- 20. Discuss the merits and demerits of joint family.
- 21. Explain the concept of Ashrames in the Hindu social life.

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