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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – TAMIL LITE.,

SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2013

SO 2100 - SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS OF FAMILY, MARRIAGE & KINSHIP

Date : 06/05/2013

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time : 9:00 - 12:00

PART A

Answer ALL the following questions in about 30 words each:

(10 × 2=20 marks)

1. What are social institutions?
2. What is religion?
3. Define nuclear family.
4. What is meant by a monogamous family?
5. Differentiate polygyny from polyandry.
6. What are dharma and praja in Hindu marriage?
7. Define kinship.
8. What is meant by rule of avoidance?
9. What are single parent families?
10. Mention any two important characteristics of joint families.

PART B

Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words each:

(5 × 8=40 marks)

11. Explain the importance of religious institutions in India.
12. Enumerate the main functions of the family.
13. Explain the differences between Hindu and Muslim marriage.
14. Differentiate exogamy from endogamy and explain the causes of exogamy.
15. Explain the different types of kinship with examples.
16. Briefly explain divorce among the Muslims.
17. Describe the causes for increase in single parent families in India.

PART C

Answer any TWO questions in about 1,200 words each.

(2 × 20=40 Marks)

18. Compare and contrast the merits and demerits of joint and nuclear family.
19. What are the various forms of marriage? Explain monogamy and its advantages.
20. Discuss the various kinship usages or rules of kinship.
21. Is the joint family system disintegrating in India? Analyze the causes for the changes.
