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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION -SOCIOLOGY

SECOND SEMESTER - APRIL 2018

17/16PSO2MC01- CONTEMPORARY SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

Date: 17-04-2018	Dept. No.	Max. : 100 Marks
Time: 01:00-04:00		

PART – A

Answer the following in about 30 words each:

(10X 2=20)

- 1. What is sociological theory?
- 2. Define Structuralism.
- 3. What is latent and manifest function?
- 4. Write note on Coser's image on society.
- 5. What is a critical theory?
- 6. What is symbolic Interactionism?
- 7. What does George Homans mean by Inductive strategy?
- 8. Define Ethnomethodology.
- 9. What is value proposition?
- 10. Define Post Modernism.

PART – B

Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words each:

(5X 8= 40)

- 11. Write a brief note on Analytical Functionalism.
- 12. Describe Giddens Structuration Theory.
- 13. Differentiate between phenomenology and ethnomethodology.
- 14. Identify and describe the types of actions in the theory of communicative action.
- 15. How does social exchange theory help us in understanding the nature and course of human behaviour.
- 16. Explain Althusser's ideas about Neo-Marxism.
- 17. Describe how Michel Foucault's social theory is an example of post-structuralism.

PART – C

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

(2X 20=40)

- 18. Discuss G.H. Mead's analysis of MIND, SELF and SOCIETY.
- 19. Examine in detail the contributions of Robert Merton in the development of functional analysis.
- 20. Delineate Ralf Dahrendorf's explanation of authority as the central theme in social conflict.
- 21. Explain George .C .Homans exchange behaviourism in detail.
