# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

**B.A.** DEGREE EXAMINATION – **SOCIOLOGY** 

### FOURTH SEMESTER - APRIL 2022

### **USO 4501 – CONTEMPORARY SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY**

Date: 16-06-2022 Dept. No. Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

# PART – A

## Answer ALL questions in about 30 words each:

- 1. Define social system.
- 2. Differentiate between manifest and latent functions.
- 3. Define enlightenment.
- 4. What is public sphere?
- 5. Who are the 'innovators' according to Merton?
- 6. Define ethnomethodology.
- 7. What is anti-semitism?
- 8. What is 'condemning the condemners'?
- 9. What is hard capitalism?
- 10. What does Bourdieu mean by habitus?

### PART – B

### Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words each:

- 11. Elucidate Parsons' system analysis.
- 12. Delineate the role of technology in enforcing social control.
- 13. Write a brief account of Goffman's dramaturgical analysis.
- 14. Elicit the ideas of Manuel Castles on network society.
- 15. Bring out Bourdieu's version of capital and its forms.
- 16. Highlight the major propositions of Merton's reference group theory.
- 17. Enumerate the core principles of Habermas' theory of communicative action.

#### PART – C

#### Answer any TWO questions in about 1200 words each:

18. Elaborate Parsons' voluntaristic theory of social action.

19. Illustrate the relationship between mass culture and consumption with suitable examples.

20. Critically evaluate Ulrich Beck's concept of risk society.

21. Critique Bauman's work on liquid modernity.

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(10×2= 20 marks)

Max.: 100 Marks

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(2×20= 40 marks)

