LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – COMMON PAPER THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2009

SO 3953 / 3925 - CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL ISSUES

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PART-A

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

- 1. What are the crucial contemporary social issues in India today?
- 2. Is Poverty Alleviation Programmes in India successful? Justify your answer.
- 3. Mention some causes for gender inequality.
- 4. How do women folk undergo exploitation in rural area?
- 5. Indicate any two disadvantages of SEZ.
- 6. With an example, explain the "competition effects" of MNCs.
- 7. What are the negative impacts of artificial Dams on ecology?
- 8. What are the problems of the "Internally Displaced People" in Sri Lanka?
- 9. Define "ethnicity".
- 10. What is the essential aspect of Neo-liberalism?

PART-B

Answer any FIVE of the following in 300 words each: (5 x8=40 marks)

- 11. How does fascism differ from democracy?
- 12. Give various definitions of "globalization".
- 13. What are the different types of ethnic groups in India? What are their demands?
- 14. Unemployment and illiteracy-are they related? How?
- 15. What are the demands of women movements?
- 16. Suggest some strategies to empower women.
- 17. What are the six characteristics of Indian secularism?

PART-C

Answer any TWO of the following in 1200 words each: (2x20=40 marks)

- 18. Write an essay on globalization and developing countries.
- 19. What are the reasons for communal clashes in India?
- 20. Explain the sociological interpretation of poverty.
- 21. Write an essay on the status of women in Hinduism.
