



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY

THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2013

SO 3501/SO 3500 – SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES - I

Date : 06/11/2013
Time : 9:00 - 12:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

PART – A

Answer ALL questions in about 30 words each:

(10 x 2 = 20)

1. What is meant by fetishism?
2. Write any two similarities between a living organism and society.
3. How does Durkheim define 'profane'?
4. Conceptualize Verstehen.
5. Bring out Marx's notion of pauperization.
6. What does Comte mean by 'social dynamics'?
7. Enumerate the major works of Herbert Spencer.
8. Specify the three main issues revolving around the study of social phenomena in the eyes of Emile Durkheim.
9. What is meant by Zweckrational action?
10. List out the major contributions of Karl Marx towards sociological theory.

PART – B

Answer any FIVE of the following in about 300 words each:

(5 x 8 = 40)

11. Write a brief note on the "Golden Age of Positivism".
12. Elucidate the differences between society and a living organism.
13. What are the conditions that give rise to division of labour in human society?
14. Bring out the characteristics of bureaucracy.
15. Give a brief account of the process of alienation in a capitalist society.
16. How does Comte explain the phenomena of social statics?
17. Expound Weber's concept of Ideal Types.

PART – C

Answer any TWO of the following in about 1200 words each:

(2 x 20 = 40)

18. Portray Comte's version of the 'Hierarchy of Sciences'.
19. Appraise Spencer's contribution to the theory of social evolution.
20. Give a critical appreciation of Durkheim's Sociological Theory of Suicide.
21. Evaluate the relevance of Marx's Theory of Social Class in present society.

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