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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - **SOCIOLOGY**

FIFTH SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2017

SO 5502 - SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Date: 03-11-2017 Dept. No. Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 09:00-12:00

PART - A

Answer the following questions in about 30 words each: (10x2=20 Marks)

- 1. What are the elements of religion?
- 2. Mention the methods of studying religion.
- 3. Mention the various religious groups found in India.
- 4. Identify the issues related to religion in India.
- 5. What is the role of women in religion?
- 6. What is proselytization?
- 7. Distinguish between cult and sect.
- 8. Mention any two religious movements in India
- 9. What are the roles of religious institutions?
- 10. What do you mean by religious values?

PART - B

Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words each

(5x8=40 marks)

- 11. Explain the scope of sociology of religion.
- 12. 'Religion builds social capital'- Substantiate.
- 13. Explain religion as a social institution.
- 14. Why did dalits choose egalitarian faith? Does it guarantee structural change? Explain
- 15. Explain the impact of religious movements in India.
- 16. Discuss the role of Indian constitution on freedom of religion.
- 17. Explain the issues related to religion in India.

PART - C

Answer any TWO questions in about 1200 words each

(2x20=40 marks)

- 18. "Religion remains the most powerful community builder the world has known." Discuss
- 19. Discuss the various methods of studying religion.
- 20. Analyse the relationship between social change and religion
- 21. Discuss the characteristics and the importance of religious groups.
