

FOUR YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME(FYUGP) 2024-25
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

SOCIOLOGY

Major Course- 01{Semester – I }
Introduction to Sociology-I
Paper code- SOCIMAJ101

Full Marks: 80
(Theory- 60, Tutorial- 20)

Credits: 4

Course Objective:

This introductory paper intends to acquaint the students with basic conceptual understanding of the subject. The course aims to introduce the students to a sociological way of thinking and understanding societies. The course imparts knowledge on the emergence of discipline, basic concepts used in+ discipline like social institutions, social groups, culture and society. It also focuses on the interconnection of sociology with other social science disciplines.

Course Content:

Unit-1: Discipline and Perspective:

- 1.1 Meaning, Definition, Subject matter
- 1.2 Emergence of Sociology
- 1.3 Nature and Scope of Sociology.
- 1.4 Importance of Sociology

Unit-2: Sociology and Other Social Sciences

- 2.1 Sociology and Social Anthropology
- 2.2 Sociology & Political Science
- 2.3 Sociology & History
- 2.4 Sociology and Economics

Unit-3: Basic Concepts: Concept, Definitions, Characteristics, Types, Significance

- 3.1 Society and Community
- 3.2 Association
- 3.3 Institutions- Family, Marriage, Education, Economy, Polity, Religion
- 3.4 Norms, Folkways, Mores and Values
- 3.5 Culture: Characteristics, Components, Significance of culture in society

Unit-4: Social Control

- 4.1 Meaning, Definitions and types
- 4.2 Agencies and importance of social control

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SOCIOLOGY

Major Course- 02{**Semester – I** }
Indian Society
Paper Code- SOCIMAJ102

Full Marks: 80
(Theory- 60, Tutorial- 20)

Credits: 4

Course Objectives: This paper aims to familiarize the students with the essential socio-cultural components that constitutes the Indian society. It offers an elaborative understanding of caste as social structure along with the significance of the institutions of family and marriage in Indian society. The course also aims to impart knowledge regarding the cultural diversities that contributes to the uniqueness of Indian society.

Unit 1: Varna and Caste system in India:

- 1.2 Bases of Hindu Social Organization, Varna, Ashram
- 1.3 Origin, Meaning Definition
- 1.4 Features and Functions of caste
- 1.5 Changes in Caste system

Unit- 2.: Family in India

- 2.1 Meaning and definition
- 2.2 Features and functions
- 2.3 Types of Indian Family, Joint Family and Extended family
- 2.4 Changes in family

Unit - 3: Institution of Marriage in India

- 3.1 Concept, Definition, Forms
- 3.2 Rules of Hindu Marriage
- 3.3 Rules of Muslim Marriage

Unit - 4: Understanding of Indian Society:

- 4.1 Religious, Linguistic, Ethnic and regional diversity
- 4.2 Unity in diversity
- 4.3 Pluralism in India

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SOCIOLOGY

Minor Programme-01[Semester-1]

Introduction to Sociology
Paper code- SOCIMIN101

Full Marks: 80
(Theory- 60, Tutorial- 20)

Credits: 4

***Course Objectives:** This course is a broad introduction to the discipline of sociology. It familiarizes the students with the origin and history, fundamental concepts and concerns of the disciplines. This course aims to clarify and broaden the students' learning about the subject and provide an overall understanding of the subject-matter of this discipline.*

UNIT-1: Sociology as Discipline

- 1.1 Emergence of sociology,
- 1.2 Definition and subject matter,
- 1.3 Nature and Scope.

UNIT-2: Relationship of Sociology with other Social Sciences:

- 2.1 Anthropology
- 2.2 Political Science
- 2.3 History

UNIT-3: Sociological Concepts: Concepts, meaning, definition, Characteristics, Types

- 3.1 Society: Concepts, definitions, Types: Agrarian, Industrial, Tribal, Urban society.
- 3.2 Community, Meaning, Definition, Characteristics
- 3.3 Institution-Definition, Significance
- 3.4 Social group, Definition, characteristics, types, Importance.

Unit 4: Social Control:

- 4.1 Social Control: Meaning, definition,
- 4.2 Types of social control
- 4.3 Importance of social control

Readings:

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SOCIOLOGY

Major Course- 03{**Semester – II**}
Introduction to Sociology-II
Paper Code- SOCIMAJ203

Full Marks: 80
(Theory- 60, Tutorial- 20)
Credit:4

Course Objective: This course aims to provide further understanding of the basic concepts of Sociology in order to offer conceptual clarity of the subject. The course deals with topics like social structure, social group, socialization, social change and social mobility which gives the students a better insight in understanding the society and social dynamism.

Course Content:

UNIT-1: Social Structure

- 1.1 Status and Role
- 1.2 Multiple roles, Role Set, Status set, Status sequence
- 1.3 Role conflict.

UNIT- 2: Social Group

- 2.1 Meaning and Definition
- 2.2 Types- Primary, Secondary, Formal and Informal, In-group, Out-group, Reference group
- 2.3 Importance of Social group

UNIT-3: Socialization

- 3.1 Meaning and Definition
- 3.2 Agencies of Socialisation
- 3.3 Importance of Socialisation

UNIT-4: Social Change

- 4.1 Meaning, Definition and Characteristics
- 4.2 Types: Evolution, Diffusion, Progress, Revolution, Transformation, Change in Structure, Change of Structure

UNIT-5: Social Mobility

5.1 Meaning and Definition

5.2 Characteristics

5.3 Types

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2. Bottomore, T.B. 1972, *Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature*, Bombay:George Allen& Unwin
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SOCIOLOGY

Major Course- 04{Semester – II}
SOCIOLOGY OF KINSHIP
Paper Code- SOCIMAJ204

Full Marks: 80
(Theory- 60, Tutorial- 20)
Credits: 4

Course Objective: This course aims to introduce general principles of kinship and marriage by reference to key terms and theoretical statements substantiated by ethnographies. The course looks at the trajectories and new directions in kinship studies.

Course Content:

Unit-1: Introduction

- 1.1 Kinship: Meaning, Significance and Types, Degree of Kinship, Kinship Usages.
- 1.2 Key Terms: Descent, Consanguinity, Filiations, Incest Taboo, Affinity
- 1.3 Residence (House hold dimensions of Family)
- 1.4 Approaches: Descent, Alliance and Cultural

Unit-2: Kinship and Clan System

- 2.1 Meaning and Types of Clan
- 2.2 Clan and Lineage
- 2.3 Totemism and Taboos
- 2.4 Kinship Terminologies

Unit-3: Kinship Organizations in India: Regional Variation of Kinship Organization

Unit-4: Changes in kinship pattern

- 4.1 Kinship in Modern India: Change, Continuity and New Dimensions

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SOCIOLOGY

Minor Programme-02[Semester-II]
Sociology of India
Paper code- SOCIMIN202

Full Marks: 80
(Theory- 60, Tutorial- 20)

Credits: 4

Course Objectives:

This paper aims to provide an outline of the institutions and processes of Indian society. The central objective is to encourage students to view the Indian reality through a sociological lens.

Unit-1: India - A plural Society

- 1.1 Pluralism in India
- 1.2 Diversities in India: Religion, Ethnic, Linguistic, Regional
- 1.3 Unity in Diversity

UNIT-2: Social Institutions and Practices

- 2.1 Caste – concept, definition, Characteristics, Jajmani system, Nature of change.
- 2.2 Tribe - Notion, definition, Characteristics, Location, Features and types of Tribal economy. PVTG
- 2.3 Village – Characteristics, economy, Nature of change

UNIT-3: Institution of Family

- 3.1 Meaning, Definition,
- 3.2 Forms and Characteristics
- 3.3 Functions of Family
- 3.4 Recent Structural and Functional Change

Unit- 4: Institution of Marriage

- 4.1. Meaning Definition, Characteristics
- 4.2. Forms of marriage
- 4.3 Recent Changes

Readings:

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SOCIOLOGY

Inter Disciplinary Course (2nd Semester)

Social Work
Paper Code-SOC5IDC210

Course Objective:

This inter-disciplinary paper aims at developing critical thinking, versatility, adaptability, problem solving, flexibility, and analytical and communication skills in the learners. The opportunities of doing research are enhanced and improved through a holistic and multidisciplinary approach. It also focuses on the interconnection of sociology with other social science disciplines.

Full Marks: 60

(Theory-40, Tutorial- 20)

Credits: 3

COURSE CONTENT

Unit -1 : Basics of Social Work

- 1.1. Social Work - Definition, Nature & Objectives of Social Work
- 1.2. Basic Values and Principles of Social work
- 1.3. Methods of Social Work: Primary and Secondary Methods
- 1.4. Voluntary and Professional Social Work: Definition, Nature and Differences

Unit 2: Scenario of Social Work in India

- 2.1. Historical Scenario of Social Work in India: Origin and Development
- 2.2. Constructive works of Mahatma Gandhi, Jyotiba Phule, Vinobha Bhave
- 2.3. Social Work in Contemporary India: Family Planning, Mental Health Issues and Community Health Problems in Rural India

Unit 3: Role of Social Work

- 3.1. Family: Marriage Disputes, Family welfare (Rural and Urban Contexts)
- 3.2. Child: Child Abuse, Child labour, Child Trafficking
- 3.3. Youth: Youth Unrest, Juvenile Delinquency, Drug Addiction among Youths
- 3.4. Women: Domestic Violence, Women Trafficking
- 3.5. Human Rights: Right to Equality, Right to Education, Right to Work, Right to Freedom of Opinion and Expression

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