

MASY 1001

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2015.

First Year — Non-Semester

Sociology

SOCIOLOGICAL CONCEPTS

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

PART A — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

1. How sociology differ from psychology and anthropology?
2. What are the characteristics of a rural-community? Explain.
3. Explain the concepts cultural lag and acculturation.
4. What could be the cause for conflicts in urban community? Explain.
5. Write short note on 'Functions and importance of marriage'.
6. Explain the types of social groups.

7. Point out and explain the functions of social stratification.

8. List out and explain the factors influencing social change.

PART B — (5 × 12 = 60 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

9. Explain conflict and exchange theory with examples.

10. Analyse the benefits of rural and urban community life.

11. Discuss the contents and characteristics of culture.

12. Briefly explain various forms of social interaction.

13. Discuss the issues related to family and religion.

14. What is a group? What are the characteristics, functions of groups?

15. Examine the features of social stratification and differentiation.

16. How does social change take place? Discuss.