

# IAS Mains Sociology 1991

## Paper I

### Section A

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - a. The problem of objectivity
  - b. Social control
  - c. Protestant Ethic
  - d. Modernisation.
2. Why does the individual, while becoming more autonomous, depend more upon society (Durkheim.)? How has die author tried to answer this question?
3. How does Parsons defend die nuclear family in promoting industrialisation? Is his diesis universally valid?
4. The history of the hitherto existing societies is the history of class struggle. Critically comment on this Marxian thesis.

### Section B

5. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
  - a. Methods of scientific investigation
  - b. Functional theory of stratification
  - c. Intel-generational mobility
  - d. The sacred and the profane.
6. What is the importance of Mertons Middle Range Theory in sociology? Discuss critically.
7. What role can the power of unorganised masses play in bringing about social change in a democratic society?
8. Education is induction into the Learners culture. Examine die statement in society today.