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Paper I

Section A

- 1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words):
 - a. Intellectual sources for the rise of Sociology
 - b. Malinowskis concept of culture
 - c. Organic analogy
 - d. Ideal types
- 2. State Talcott Parsons contribution to theory of social action. What are the limitations of this theory?
- 3. In modern structural-functionalism. Mertons effort to developa "Paradigm" for functional analysis in the most significant one. Evaluate this statement.
- 4. What did Max Weber mean by Interpretative understanding? Why did he believe that to model sociological researches exclusively on strategies and ambitions of natural sciences was a serious mistake?

Section B

- 5. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should not exceed 200 words
 -): a. Comparative method in Sociology
 - b. Authority
 - c. Pathological form of division of labour
 - d. Types of social movements
- 6. Critically examine Karl Marxs theory of alienation.
- 7. Explain the view that the nuclear family "fits" the needs of industrial society. Is it that the structure of nuclear family is the same in all industrial societies?
- 8. What is Social Policy and its relevance to social development. Under what circumstances social policy becomes a hinderance in social development?