

IAS Mains Sociology 1999

Time Allowed: Three Hours Maximum Marks: 300

Candidates should attempt Question 1 and 5 which are compulsory, and any three of the remaining questions selecting at least one question from each Section. All questions carry equal marks.

Paper I

Section A

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each note should not exceed 200 words):
 - a. Sociology as a by-product of Industrial Revolution
 - b. Role conflict as a source of deviation
 - c. Limitations of questionnaire as a technique of data collection
 - d. Gemeinschaft and Gessellschaft types of communities
2. How would you distinguish between the stratified and the unstratified social positions? What explanation would you profer for the universal existence of the social stratification in human society?
3. Elaborate on the social necessity of religion. Discuss the relationship between religion and science.
4. Social control is more a matter of conviction than that of coercion. Comment. Discuss the role of ideology in social control.

Section B

1. Write short notes on any three of the following each note should not exceed 200 words:
 - a. Division of labour and differentiation of social structure
 - b. Impact of the democratic political system on the traditional social structure
 - c. Social structure and Anomie
 - d. Functional problems of the social system
2. Discuss the nature and characteristics of social mobility. Can the nature and the rate of social mobility be treated as an index of economic development? Comment.
3. Bring out the commonality between a social movement and a revolution. Would you agree with the view that each revolution is preceded by a social movement? Give reasons.
4. Elaborate on the concept of structural change. Discuss the endogenic factors of structural change in a society, with suitable examples.