

M.A (SOCIOLOGY) – SECOND SEMESTER

Second Semester			
S. No.	Name of Subject	Credits	Total Marks
1	Sociology of India-II	5	100
2	Economic Sociology	6	100
3	Political Sociology	6	100
4	Religion and Society	5	100
Total		22	

Subject Name: SOCIOLOGY OF INDIA-II

1. Social Organisation of Agriculture
 - (a) Land, State and Agrarian Society
 - (b) Agrarian Crisis and Reform in Contemporary India
 - (c) Agrarian Movements
- 2: Aspects of Urban India
 - (a) Urban Society
 - (b) Occupation and Class
 - (c) The City: A case study of Delhi
3. Aspects of Politics and Society in Contemporary India
 - (a) Nationhood and Nationalism
 - (b) Secularism and communalism
 - (c) Marginal Communities: Discrimination and the Problems of Equality
4. Locations of Modernity
 - (a) Gender politics
 - (b) Migrations

Suggested Readings:

1. R. E. Fykenberg (ed.) Land control and social structure in Indian History. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 1969.

2. Arnold, David and Guha, Ramchandra (ed.) Nature, Culture, Imperialism New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1995. (Chapter 2).
3. Bina Agarwal: A field of One's own: Gender and land rights in South Asia Cambridge: CUP, 1994. (Chapters 1, 3 and 9).
4. Bergmann, T. Agrarian Reform in India Delhi: Agricole Publishing Academy, 1984. (Chapter 1).
5. J.R. MacNeill: The Green revolution. In Mahesh Rangarajan (ed.) Environmental Issues in India: A Reader, Delhi: Pearson: 2007. (Chapter 12).
6. Vandana Shiva: The Violence of the Green Revolution: Third World Agriculture, Ecology and Politics. London: Zed Books, 1993. (Chapters 1 and 5).
7. Gill, A. and Singh L. 2006 'Farmers Suicides and Response of Public Policy: Evidence, Diagnosis and Alternatives' Economic and Political Weekly, Review of Agriculture, June 30: 2762-2768.
8. Vasavi, A.R. Suicides and the Making of India's Agrarian Distress, South African Review of Sociology, 2009, 40 (10, pp. 124-138).
9. HarnikDeol Religion and Nationalism in India, London: Routledge, 2000. (Chapter 5).
10. Breman, J. Footloose Labour. Cambridge. CUP, 1996. (Chapters 1-5).
11. Stephen Blake: Shajahanabad: The Sovereign City in Mughal India 1639-1739, CUP, 1991.
12. Tarlo, Emma: Unsettling Memories: Narratives of India's Emergency (Permanent Black, 2003).
13. Partha Chatterjee. 1997. The Nation and its Fragments. Delhi: OUP. (Chapters 1-5)
14. Aloysius, G. 1997. Nationalism without a Nation. Delhi: Oxford University Press. (Chapters 5 and 8).
15. Bhargava, Rajeev (ed.) 1998. Secularism and its Critics. Delhi: Oxford University Press (Section IV).
16. Dirks, N. Castes of Mind. Delhi: Oxford University Press. 2003. Chapters 11, 12, and 13.
17. Marc Galanter. 1984. Competing Equalities. Delhi: Oxford University Press. (Chapters 3).

Subject Name: ECONOMIC SOCIOLOGY

1. Introduction: Economy in Society
2. Production and Reproduction:
 - a) Concepts of Value, Labour, Property, Money and Rationality
 - b) The Production Process: The Structure and Experience of Work
3. Consumption and Exchange:
 - a) Gift Exchange
 - b) Markets
 - c) The Commodity Form
 - d) Consumption
4. Economy and the State:
 - a) Planned Economies
 - b) Welfare Systems
 - c) The State and Global Markets

Suggested Readings:

1. Mintz, S. 1985. Sweetness and Power: The Place of Sugar in Modern History. New York: Viking Penguin.

2. Sahlins, M. 1976. Culture and Practical Reason. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. (Chapter 4).
3. Polanyi, K. 1975. The Great Transformation. New York: Octagon Press. (Chapters 5, 6, 14 and 15).
4. Mitchell, T. 1998. 'Fixing the Economy', Cultural Studies, 12(1).
5. Bourdieu, P. 1998. Practical Reason. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge. (Chapter 5).
6. Marx, K. 1974. Capital Vol. I. Moscow: Progress Publishers. (Part I and chapter 7).
7. Harvey, D. 1982. The Limits to Capital. Oxford: Basil Blackwell.
8. Marx, K. 1963. 'Alienated Labour' in T.B. Bottomore (ed.): Karl Marx: Early Writings. New York: McGraw Hill.
9. Thompson, E.P. 1967. 'Time, Work Discipline and Industrial Capitalism', Past and Present, 38: 56-97.
10. Scott, J.C. 1998. Seeing Like a State. Yale, New Haven: University Press. (Chapter 5).
11. Petras, J. and H. Veltmeyer. 2001. Globalization Unmasked. London: Zed Books. (Chapters 1, 3, 6, 9).

Subject Name: POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

1. Nature and Scope of Political Sociology:
 - a) Approaches to the Study of Politics
 - b) Political Systems and Other Social Systems
2. Some Basic Concepts:
 - a) Power and Authority
 - b) Consensus and Conflict
 - c) Elites and Masses
 - d) State and Stateless Societies
3. Local Structures of Power:
 - a) Varieties of Local Power Structure
 - b) Local Power Structures and the Wider Political System
4. State and Society under Capitalism:
 - a) State and the Class Structure
 - b) Citizenship and the Welfare State
5. State and Society under Socialism:
 - a) State Control and Institutional Autonomy
 - b) Ideology and Consensus
6. State and Society in India

Suggested Readings:

1. Runciman, W. G. 1963. Social Science and Political Theory. Cambridge University Press. (Chapters 2 and 4).
2. Eisenstadt, S.N. (ed.). 1971. Political Sociology: A Reader. New York: Basic Books. (pp. 3-24).
3. Parsons, T. 1966 (2nd edition). 'On the Concept of Political Power', in R. Bendix and S. M. Lipset (eds.): Class Status and Power (240-66). London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.
4. Easton, D. 1957. 'An Approach to the Analysis of Political Systems', World Politics, 9(3): 383-400.

5. Weber, M. 1978. *Economy and Society*. Berkeley: University of California Press. (Vol. I, Chapter 3).
6. Gluckman, M. 1965. *Politics, Law and Ritual in Tribal Society*. Oxford: Basil Blackwell. (Chapters 3 and 4).
7. Schapiro, L. 1972. *Totalitarianism*. London: Pall Mall. (Chapters 2 and 3).
8. Miliband, R. 1973. *The State in Capitalist Society*. London: Quartet Books.
9. Fainsod, M. 1969. *How Russia is Ruled*. Bombay: The Times of India Press. (Part III).
10. Mills, C. W. 1956. *The Power Elite*. New York: Oxford University Press. (Chapters 12 and 13).
11. Dahrendorf, R. 1968. *Essays in the Theory of Society*. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul. (Chapters 4 and 5).
12. Pareto, V. 1985. *The Mind and Society*. New York: Dover Publications. (Pp. 1421-1432).

Subject Name: RELIGION AND SOCIETY

1. Sociological Approaches to the Study of Religion: History, Social Structure, and Theory of Social Action
2. Religion, Culture and Systems of Collective Representation
3. Religious Organisation: Nature, Types, Functions, Religious Pluralism
4. Religion, Social Movements and Secularism
5. Critiques of Religion

Suggested Readings:

1. Durkheim, E. 1915. *The Elementary Forms of Religious Life*. London: Allen and Unwin.
2. Weber, M. 1963. *The Sociology of Religion*. Massachusetts: Beacon Press.
3. Malinowski, B. 1948. *Magic, Science and Religion: Selected Essays*. Massachusetts: Beacon Press.
4. Eliade, M. 1959. *The Sacred and the Profane: The Nature of Religion*. New York: Harcourt, Brace and World.
5. Eck, Diana. 1983. *Banaras: City of Light*. London: Routledge and Kegan Paul.
6. Geertz, C. 1973. *The Interpretation of Culture*. New York: Basic Books. (Selected Chapters).
7. Fischer, M.N.J. 1980. *Iran: From Religious Dispute to Revolution*. Massachusetts: Harvard University Press.
8. Freud, S. 1989. *The Future of an Illusion*. London: Hogarth Press.
9. Freud, S. 1959. *Obsessive Actions and Ritual Practices*. London: The Hogarth Press.
10. Engels, F. 1956. *The Peasant War in Germany*. Moscow: Foreign Languages Publishing House.
11. Marx, K. 1962. *Introduction to the Critique of Hegel's Philosophy of Right*. In *Selected Works*. Moscow: Foreign Languages Publishing House.