

2025

(NEP—2020)

(5th Semester)

SOCIOLOGY (MAJOR3/MINOR)**(Social Stratification)***Full Marks : 75**Time : 3 hours**The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions***(SECTION : A—OBJECTIVE)***(Marks : 10)*

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. Social stratification is

- (a) a hierarchical division of society ()
- (b) a division of society in terms of class ()
- (c) a cultural division of society ()
- (d) based on cultural background of the people ()

2. According to Melvin M. Tumin, a stratified society is one marked by

- (a) equality ()
- (b) inequality ()
- (c) impartiality ()
- (d) parity ()

3. A positive function of social stratification is

- (a) creating enmity among competitors ()
- (b) creating a gap between the rich and the poor ()
- (c) encouraging people to hard work ()
- (d) encouraging competition for worldly pleasures ()

4. Which 'school of thought' believes that stratification is divisive and not integrative?
- (a) Marxist ()
 - (b) Functionalist ()
 - (c) Feminist ()
 - (d) Postmodern ()
5. Which of the following is not one of the three elements of social stratification employed by Max Weber?
- (a) Class ()
 - (b) Power ()
 - (c) Authority ()
 - (d) Status ()
6. Awareness of similarity of behaviour and attitude among people give rise to
- (a) class solidarity ()
 - (b) class differentiation ()
 - (c) class homogeneity ()
 - (d) class consciousness ()
7. What is the system of stratification in which one person owns another?
- (a) Caste ()
 - (b) Class ()
 - (c) Estate ()
 - (d) Slavery ()
8. The unique feature of estate system was
- (a) created disparities of wealth ()
 - (b) achieved status ()
 - (c) denial of political rights to masses ()
 - (d) legalized inequality ()
9. A society characterized by the absence of barrier to social mobility is called
- (a) open society ()
 - (b) ideal society ()
 - (c) dynamic society ()
 - (d) closed society ()

10. A change in position that does not alter a person's status is

- (a) social immobility ()
- (b) vertical mobility ()
- (c) structural mobility ()
- (d) horizontal mobility ()

(SECTION : B—SHORT ANSWERS)

(Marks : 15)

Answer *five* questions, taking at least *one* from each Unit :

3×5=15

UNIT—I

1. What is meant by social stratification?
2. Write a short note on any three determinants of social stratification.

UNIT—II

3. Write a short note on feminist approach to the study of social stratification.
4. Write a short note on Marxian approach to social stratification.

UNIT—III

5. Explain any three characteristics of class stratification.
6. Write a short note on slavery.

UNIT—IV

7. Write any three barriers of social mobility.
8. Briefly explain any three consequences of social mobility.

(SECTION : C—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

Answer *five* questions, taking at least *one* from each Unit :

10×5=50

UNIT—I

- 1. Write an essay on social differentiation.**
- 2. Mention the nature of social stratification.**

UNIT—II

- 3. Write an essay on Weberian approach to the study of social stratification.**
- 4. Discuss the functional approach to the study of social stratification.**

UNIT—III

- 5. Discuss estate system as a type of social stratification.**
- 6. Enumerate caste as a type of social stratification.**

UNIT—IV

- 7. What is social mobility? Describe the factors leading to mobility in the society.**
- 8. Discuss the types of social mobility.**

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