

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

M.Phil Syllabus in Sociology (Under CBCS) 2019

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M.Phil in Sociology
Four Semesters: 800 marks ; 32 credits

1st Semester- 2 papers, 200 marks, 8 credits

Paper 101	-	Sociological Theory Written test 50 marks – 2 credits Continuing Evaluation 50 marks- 2 credits
Paper 102	-	Research Methodology Written test 50 marks- 2 credits Continuing Evaluation 50 marks- 2 credits

2nd Semester (Any two of the following optional papers) - 2 papers, 200 marks, 8 credits

For each paper there will be a written test for 50 marks (2 credits) and continuing evaluation for 50 marks (2 credits) and each paper will have 100 marks and (4 credits)

Paper 201	-	Sociological of Gender
Paper 202	-	Ethnic and Social Movements in Eastern and North-Eastern India
Paper 203	-	Globalization and Society
Paper 204	-	Sociology of Health

3rd Semester

Total Marks – 200

Total Credits – 8

	Marks	Credit
1. Literature Survey -	50	2
2. Preparation of Research Proposal -	50	2
3. Seminar presentation on proposed research topic -	50	2
4. Note on Theoretical Framework relating to the Proposed research topic -	50	2

4th Semester – Total marks - 200 ; Total credits - 8

Dissertation	-	150 marks	-	6 credit
Dissertation viva-voce	-	50 marks	-	2 credit

**First Semester
Paper - 101
SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY**

1. Status of Sociological Knowledge: Positivism, Weber, and Phenomenology- Critique
2. Theories of Durkheim, Marx and Weber- Critique
3. Structuralism and post-structuralism, Foucault, Derrida and Leotard
4. Post-Marxist writings: German Critical School, Gransci, and Althusser
5. Structure-agency debate: Mead, Bourdieu, Giddens
6. Post-modernism and its relevance.

Selected Readings

- Durkheim, Emile. 1982 [1895]. *The rules of the Sociological Methods* (translated by W.D. Halls). New York : Free Press.
- Durkheim, Emile. 1993 [1893]. *The Division of Labour in Society* (translated by George Simpson). New York : Free Press.
- Hawthorne, Geoffery. 1987. *Entertainment and Despair: A History of Sociological Theory* (2nd Edition), U.K: Cambridge University Press.
- Marx,Karl& F.Engels. 1992 [1846]. *The German Ideology*, New York: International Publishers.
- Marx, Karl & F.Engels. 1992 [1848]. *The Communist Manifesto*. New York: Banlam Books.
- Marx, Karl. 1992 [1867]. *Capital (Vol-1)*, New York: Viking & Penguin.
- Ritzer, George . [1996]. *Sociological Theory (4th Edition)*, New York: McGraw Hill.
- Ritzer, George and Barry Smart (eds.). 2001 *Handbook of Social Theory*. London: Sage.
- Weber, Max. 1946. From Max Weber. *Essays in Sociology* (translated by H.H.Gerth and C. Wright Mills). New York: Oxford University Press.
- Weber, Max. 1947 [1920]. *Max Weber. The Theory of Social and Economic Organization* (Translated by A.M. Henderson & Talcott Passons), New York : Free Press.
- Weber, Max. 1968 [1921]. *Economy and Society* (three volumes). Totowa, N.J.Belminster Press.

PAPER -102

Research Methodology

1. Philosophy of Social Research

- Logic of Social Enquiry
- Research processes and criteria of a good research

2. Steps involved in doing Research

- Identification and formulation of a Research problem, Research objectives and questions
- Approaches and Methods in Research

3. Research Design

- Features and Types of research Design
- Construction of Concept, Hypothesis, Model and Theory
- Participatory Research, Social Research, Action Research, Evaluative Research

4. Analysis of Data

- Types of analysis
- Basic statistical techniques in data analysis
- Computer Application

5. Interpretation and Report Writing

- Types of Report
- Layout of the Report
- Steps in writing Report
- Copyright Rules

6. Ethnographic Encounter with the Field

- Strategies, Organization, Moral question.
- Introduction to some Classical ethnographic accounts

Selected Readings:

Beteille, A. & T.N. *1975. Encounter and Experience: Personal Accounts of Mada. Fieldwork. New Delhi: Vikas Publishing House.*

D.A. de Vaus 1996.
Surveys in social Research. London: George Relen and Unwin.

- Dooley, D. 2001. *Social Research Methods*. New Jersey: Prentice Hall.
- Hughes, John. 1987. *The Philosophy of Social Research*,. London: Longman.
- Mukherjee, P. N.(ed). 2000. *Methodology in Social Research: Dilemmas and Perspectives*, New Delhi: Sage.
- Popper, K. 1999. *The Logic of Scientific Discovery*. London: Rutledge.
- Punch, Keith. 1986. *Introduction to Social Research*. London: Sage.
- Roy, Sanjay, K. & A.K. A.K.Danda (eds.). 2007. *Methodological Questions in Social Anthropology*. Kolkata: INCAA.
- Shipman, Martin. 1988. *The Limitations of Social Research*. London: Sage.
- Sjoberg, Gideon and Roger Nett. 1997. *Methodology for Social Research*. Jaipur: Rawat.
- Srinivas, M.N.et.al.(eds.) 1979. *The Fieldwork and the Field: Problems and Challenges in Sociological Investigation*, Delhi: OUP.
- Srivastava, Vinay, Kumar (ed.). 2004. *Methodology and Fieldwork*. Delhi: OUP.
- Thapan, Meenakshi (ed.). 1998. *Anthropological Journeys: Reflections on Fieldwork*. New Delhi: Orient Longman
- Young, P.V. 1988. *Scientific Social Surveys and Research*. New Delhi: Prentice Hall

Second Semester
Paper-201
Sociology of Gender

1. Gender as a sociological category
 - Sex Vs. Gender, Nature Vs. Culture, Equality Vs. Differences, Gender Attribution
2. Feminist Theories
3. Gender and the Economy
 - Gender related problems
 - Sexual division of labour and the invisibilisation of women's work
 - Effect of development and economic liberalization on women
4. Gender and the State
 - Gender specific laws and protective measures
 - Empowerment of women
 - Women's movement in India
5. Emerging issues, and deconstruction of gender.

Selected Readings:

- Ahuja, Ram 1999. *Women and Violence*, Jaipur: Rawat Publishers
- De, Beauvoir,
Simone, 1972. *The Second Sex*, England: Penguin Books
- Desai, Leela 2003. *Feminism and its Strategies*, Jaipur: Pointer Publisher
- Firestone,
Sulanmith, 1975. *The Dialectic of Sex*, New York: Morrow.
- Ghadially,R(ed) 1988. *Women in Indian Society*, Sage Publications
- Hamilton, R, 1978. *The Liberation of Women* Boston: Georg Allen I Urwin.
- Hamilton, R, 1972. *The liberation of Women*, London: George Allen and Urwin.
- Hamilton, R, 1978. *The liberation of Women-A Study of Patriarchy and
Capitalism*, London: George Allen & Urwin
- Hunt, Judith, 1975. *Women and liberation*, Marxism Today, Vol 19, No. 11, pp
326-337.
- Mies, M, 1980. *The Indian Women and Patriarchy*, New Delhi: Concept.
- Mill JS 1985. *The Subjection of Women* 10th edition, Cambridge: MIIT
Press.
- Mitchell, J.,
And Oakley,
A., (eds) *What is Feminism*, Oxford: Basil Blackwell
- Oakley A. 1972. *Sex, Gender and Society*, New York: Harper & Rao Publishers
- Polity Press 2002. *Polity Reader in Gender Studies*, UK: Blackwell Publishers

- Rege, Sharmila, 2003. *Sociology of Gender*, New Delhi: Sage
- Reiter, R., 1975. *Towards and Anthropology of Women*, New York: Monthly Review Press.
- Rohrlich,L.(ed) 1975. *Women Cross-Culturally*, Paris:Monton-Hague.
- Rowbotham, Sheila, 1973. *Women's Consciousness*, Mans World, England: Penguin Books
- Seth, Mira 2001. *Women and Development: The Indian Experience*, New Delhi: Sage
- Ward, Barbara (ed.) 1963. *Woman in New Asia*, Paris: UNESCO.

Paper-202

Sociology of Environment

1. Concept of Environment
 - Environment, Ecology and Eco-System
 - Man-environment Relations and Interdependence
 - Rise and Relevance of Environmental Sociology
2. Sociological Approaches to Study Environment
 - Environmental Sociology: Theoretical Perspectives
3. Environmental Issues in India
 - Socio-Cultural, Technological, Economic and Political Dimensions
 - Forest, Environment and People
 - Development and Environmental Degradation
 - Environmental movements
 - Pollution, Over-population, Industrialization, Urbanization, Poverty
 - Problem of Deforestation
4. Ecological Critique of Development
5. Environment and the State
 - Environmental policy and protective measures
 - Environmental laws
 - Sociological implications of environmental policies and laws.

Selected Readings:

Arnold, Davici and R.Guha(eds) 1998. *Nature, Culture, Imperialism: Essays on the Environmental History of South Asia*. Delhi: OUP.

Bandopadhyay, L. et.al. (eds) 1985. *India's Environment: Crisis and Responses*, Natraj.

- Baviskar, B.S. 1997. *Ecology and Development in India. A Field and its Future*, *Sociological Bulletin* 46(2).
- Gadgil, M and R.Guha 1996. *Ecology and Equity: The Use and Abuse in Contemporary India*, Delhi: OUP
- Gadgil, M and R.Guha(eds), Giddens, Anthony, 1997. *The Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India*, Delhi: OUP.
- Guha, 1996. "Global Problems and Ecological Crisis" in introduction to *sociology* (2nd Edition), New York: WW Norton & Co .
- Ramchandra, Guha, 2005. *Environmentalism: A Global History*, New Delhi: OUP
- Ramchandra, Guha, S., 1999. *The Unquiet Woods*, Delhi: OUP.
1999. *Environment and Ethnicity in India: 1920-1991*, Cambridge University Press.
- Hanningan, John, A., Jaffrey & R.N. Sunder (eds.) 1995. *Environment and Sociology*, London: Rutledge.
- Krishna, Sumi, 1999. *A New Moral Economy for India's Forests*, New Delhi: Sage.
1996. *Environmental Politics, People's Live and Development Choices*, New Delhi: Sage
- Meg, Huby 1998. *Social Policy and the Environment*, Philadelphia.
- Michael, Radclift, 1984. *Development and Environmental Crisis*. New York: Neheun & Co.
- Munshi, Indra, 2000. "Environment in Sociological Theory, *Sociological Bulletins* 49(2).
- Pawan, S.N. et.al. (eds.) 2005. *Environmental Movement in India: Strategies and Practices*, New Delhi: Rawat.
- Power, S.N. & R.B.Patil, (eds), 1998. *Sociology and Environment*, Jaipur: Rawat.
- Prasad, Archana, 2004. *Environmentalism and the Left: Contemporary Debates and Future Agendas in Tribal Areas*, New Delhi: Left World.
- Rawat, A.S., 1991. *Forest History in India*, New Delhi: India Publishing House.
- Sen, Geeti(ed), 1992. *Indigenous Vision: People's of India's Attitude to Environment*, New Delhi: Sage.
- Sharma, Col. Gautam (ed) 1989. *Environment, Man and Nature*, New Delhi: Reliance.
- Social Change Vandana, 31(1+2) 2001. *Special Issue on 'Ecological Responsibilities'*
1992. *The Politics of Environment*, New Delhi: Ashish Publications.
- Asthana, Worster, D., 1998. *The Ends of the Earth: Perspectives on Modern Environment History*, New York: Cambridge University Press.

Paper-203

Ethnic and Social Movements in Eastern and North-Eastern India

1. Conceptualizing Ethnicity
 - ° Origin and evolution of the concept of ethnicity
 - ° Relationship of ethnicity with social identity, nationalism, communalism, tribe, community, development and the state.
2. Theorizing Ethnicity
 - ° Critical evaluation of theories of ethnicity, Primordial's, Instrumentalist, and Constructions/ Constructivist theories.
3. Ethnicity and Social Movements in Eastern and North-Eastern India.
 - ° Ethnic problems of the East and North-East India(including North Bengal): Genesis, Current State and the future
 - ° The priority areas of research in the field of ethnic movements in the region
 - ° Problematising the case of ethnic movement research in Eastern and North-Eastern India (including North Bengal) with suitable case studies.
4. Nationalism and process of nation building-problem in the east and north east India.

Selected Readings:

- Agarwal, N.M.(ed)1996, *Ethnicity, Culture, and Nationalism in North-East India*, New , Indus.
- Barth, Frederik(ed) 1969. *Ethnic Groups and Boundaries: The Social Organization of Culture Difference*, Boston: Little Brown.
- Barua, Sanjib 2005, *Durable Disorder: Understanding the Politics of North-East India*, New Delhi, OUP.
- Bhadra,R.K.& M.Bhadra 2007. *Ethnicity Movement and Social structure*, Delhi: Rawat Publication
- Bhadra, R.K.& S.R.Mondal 1991. *Stratification hierarchy and ethnicity in North East India*, Delhi: S. dayal publishing house
- Bhattacharjee, C 1996. *Ethnicity and autonomy movement*, New Delhi:Vikas
- Bhattacharya, Sukalpa & R. Dev (eds.) 2006, *Ethno-Narratives: identity and experience in North-East India*, New Delhi, Anshan publication house
- Brass, Paul, R., 1991. *Ethnicity and Nationalism: theory and comparison*, New Delhi: sage.
- Channa, S.M.(ed) 1998. *Ethnicity, and identity*, New Delhi: cosmo
- Connor, Walker, 1994. *Ethno nationalism: the quest of understanding*, Princeton: Princeton University press
- Cornell, S, and Hartman 1998. *Ethnicity and race: making identities in a changing world*, D. California: pine forge press
- Danda,A.K. 1991. *Ethnicity in India*, New Delhi: inter-India press.

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- Devalle, Susana B.C. 1992. *Discourses of ethnicity: culture and protest in Jharkhand*, new Delhi: sage.
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- Hutchinson J& Smith, A.D.(eds) 1996. *Ethnicity*, Oxford: OUP
- Jenkins, R. 1997. *Rethinking Ethnicity*, London: Sage
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- Kumar, B.B. 1995. *Tension and conflict in North-East India*, New Delhi, Cosmo.
- Pahem, B.(ed) 1997. *Insurgency in north-east India*, New Delhi Omsons Publications.
- Phadnis, Urmila 1990. *Ethnicity and nation building in South Asia*, New Delhi; Sage
- Phukan,G. 2002, *Ethnicity and polity in South Asia*, New Delhi, South Asian Publishers.
- Sarkar, D.K.and Bhowmik 2000. *Empowering Darjeeling Hills: An experience with Darjeeling Gorkha Hills Council*, Delhi: Indian Publishers
- Sharma S.L.& TK Oommen 1982. *Nation and National Identity in South Asia*, New Delhi: Orient Longman
- Singh K.S.(ed) 2001. *Tribal movements in India*, Vol I & II, New Delhi: Manohar
- Singh, R. 2001. *Social Movements: Old and New*, New Delhi: sage,.

Paper-204 Sociology of Health

1. The concept of Medical Sociology:
 - Nature and Scope
 - The theoretical perspective
2. Sociology of Health
 - Social Epidemiology, treatment and system of medicine in India
 - Man and Environment, Culture and Disease
 - Ecology of diseases in Indian context.
 - Beliefs and practices associated to health (case studies on AIDS, Leprosy, etc.)
3. Community Health: Problems and Priorities
 - Implementation and utilization of health programme in community context (Rural/Urban, Tribal/Non-tribal, etc.)
 - Social structure and health behavior
 - Occupational health hazards
4. Hospital as a Social Organization
 - Functions of hospitals, medical social services in hospitals
 - Doctors, patients and nurses
5. Health Care and Social Polity

- Health policies in India
- National health programmes
- Health administration in India
- Voluntary organizations in health care.
- Privatizing of treatment
- Health insurance and Social Security

Selected Readings:

- Banerjee, D. 1990. *An analysis of Health policies and programme in India in the Eighties*, New Delhi: Lok Prakash.
- Baru, Rama,V 1998. *Private Health Care in India*, New Delhi: Sage
- Chatterjee, Mira, 1988. *Implementing Health Policy*, Delhi: Menorah.
- Coe, Rodney M. 1970. *Sociology of Medicine*, New York: McGraw Hill.
- Conrad, Peter, Et.al. 2000. *Handbook of Medical Sociology*, New Jersey: Prentice hall.
- Dasgupta, M.& Chen L.C Al.(eds) 1998. *Women's Health in India*, Delhi: OUP.
- Dasgupta, R. 1993. *Nutritional Planning in India*, Hyderabad: NIN
- Hiramani, A.B. 1992. *Health Education in Primary health care*. Delhi: BR publishing
- Kronenfeld,J.J 1993. *Controversial Issues in Health care policy*, London: Sage.
- Kumar,R,(ed) 1987. *Environmental pollution and Health Hazards in India*, New Delhi: Ashish Publications.
- Mathur, I&S Sharma 1995. *Health Hazards: gender and society*, new Delhi: Rawat
- Narayana, K.V, 1997. *Health and development*, New Delhi: Rawat
- Nayar, K.R. 1998. *Ecology and health: A system approach*, New Delhi: APH Publishing.
- Rao, Mohan 1999. *Disinvesting in health: The World Bank's prescription for Health*, New Delhi: Sage
- Verma, K.K. 1992. *Health care and Family Welfare*, New Delhi: Mittal Publications
- WHO *Health Hazards fof the Human Environment*, Geneva, 1972.

Paper-205

Globalization and Society

Unit I: Nature and Dynamics of Globalization

- i. The Historical and Social Context of Globalization
- ii. Perspectives on Globalization
- iii. Distinctive Characteristics of Globalization
- iv. Positive and Negative Implications of Globalization

Unit II: Agencies of Globalization

National and International Agencies, Multinational Corporations (MNCs), Nation State, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), International Agencies (IMF, World Bank, WTO)

Unit III: Economic Globalization

- i. Global Capitalism
- ii. Structural Adjustment
- iii. Impact on the Poor, Laboring Classes, and the Environment

Unit IV: Political Implications of Globalization

- i. Sovereignty vs. Imperialism
- ii. Global Integration vs. Localism
- iii. Clash of Civilizations
- iv. Anti-globalization Movements

Unit V: Globalization and Culture

- i. Cultural Imperialism, Orientalism, Westernization, Americanization
- ii. Consumerism and the role of Media
- iii. McDonalidization and Corporate Culture
- iv. Cultural Homogenization vs. Cultural Hybridization
- v. Global Tourism

Unit VI: Continuing Evaluation

Readings:

- Appadurai, Arjun. 1997. *Modernity at large: cultural dimensions of globalization*. New Delhi: OUP.
- Dasgupta Samir (ed). 2004. *The Changing Face of Globalization*. New Delhi: Sage.
- Dasgupta Samir et.al. (eds). 2006. *Globalization and After*. New Delhi: Sage.
- Dreze, J and Amartya Sen. 1996. *Indian economic Development and Social Opportunity*. Delhi: OUP.
- Escobar Arturo. 1995. *Encountering development*: London: Macmillan.
- Hoogvelt Ankie. 1998. *The sociology of development*. London: Macmillan.
- Kiely, Ray and Phil, Mafleet (eds). 1998. *Globalisation and the third world*. London: Routledge.

- Modi, Ishwar (ed), 2012. *Modernisation, Globalisation and Social Transformation*. Jaipur: Rawat.
- Kofmann Eleonore et.al. 2003. *Globalisation: Theory and Practice*. London: Continuum.
- Nathan Dev. et.al. (eds) 2004. *Globalization and Indigenous People in Asia: Changing the Local*
- Palanithurai and R. Ramesh. 2008. *Global Interface*. New Delhi: Sage.
Globalisation Issues at the Grassroots. New Delhi: Rawat.
- Pathak Abhijit. 2006. *Modernity, Globalization and Identity*. Delhi: Aakar Books.
- Preston P W. 1996. *Development theory- An introduction*. Oxford: Blackwell.
- Schruuman Frans J. (ed) 2004. *Globalization and Development Studies: Challenges for the 21st Century*. New Delhi: Vistaar.
- Waters Malcolm. 1996. *Globalisation*. London: Routledge.
- Went Robert. 2000. *Globalisation: Neo-Liberal Challenge, Radical Responses*. London: Pluto Press.