

PHD SYLLABUS OF SOCIOLOGY AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY PAPER

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SOCIOLOGY SYLLABUS

A) Sociological Theory 1. Classical Sociological Traditions • Emile Durkheim • Max Weber • Karl Marx

2. Structure- Functionalism and Structuralism • Bronislaw Malinowski • A.R. Radcliffe- Brown • Talcott Parsons • Robert K. Merton • Claude Levi Strauss

3. Hermeneutic and Interpretative Traditions • G.H. Mead • Karl Manheim • Alfred Schutz • Harold Garfinkel • Erving Goffman • Clifford Geertz

4. Post Modernism, Post Structuralism and Post Colonialism • Edward Said • Pierre Bourdieu • Michel Foucault • Jurgen Habermas • Anthony Giddens • Manuel Castells

5. Indian Thinkers M.K. Gandhi • B.R. Ambedkar • Radha Kamal Mukherjee • G. S. Ghurye • M.N. Srinivas • Irawati Karve

A) Research Methodology and Methods 1. Conceptualizing Social Reality • Philosophy of Science • Scientific Method and Epistemology in Social Science • Hermeneutic Traditions • Objectivity and Reflexivity in Social Science • Ethics and Politics 2. Formulating Research Design • Reading Social Science Research, Data and Documents • Induction and Deduction • Fact, Concept and Theory • Hypotheses, Research Questions, Objectives 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Methods

Ethnography • Survey Method • Historical Method • Comparative Method 4. Techniques • Sampling • Questionnaire and Schedule • Statistical Analysis • Observation, Interview and Case study • Interpretation, Data Analysis and Report Writing B) Basic Concepts in Sociology\

1. Sociological Concepts • Social Structure • Culture • Network • Status and Role • Identity • Community • Diaspora • Values, Norms and Rules Social Structure • Culture • Network • Status and Role • Identity • Community • Diaspora • Values, Norms and Rules • Personhood, Habitus and Agency Bureaucracy, Power and Authority

2. Social Institutions • Marriage, Family and Kinship • Economy • Polity • Religion • Education • Law and Customs

3. Social Stratification Social Difference, Hierarchy, Inequality and Marginalization • Caste and Class • Gender, Sexuality and Disability • Race, Tribe and Ethnicity

4. Social Change and Processes • Evolution and Diffusion • Modernization and Development • Social Transformations and Globalization • Social Mobility C) Rural and Urban Transformations

1. Rural and Peasant Society • Caste-Tribe Settlements • Agrarian Social Structure and Emergent Class Relations • Land Ownership and Agrarian Relations • Decline of Agrarian Economy, De-Peasantization and Migration • Agrarian Unrest and Peasant Movements • Changing Inter-Community Relations and Violence

2. Urban Society • Urbanism, Urbanity and Urbanization • Towns, Cities and Mega-Cities • Industry, Service and Business • Neighbourhood, Slums and Ethnic Enclave Middle Class and Gated Communities • Urban Movements and Violence D) State, Politics and Development Political Processes in India • Tribe, Nation State and Border • Bureaucracy • Governance and Development • Public Policy: Health, Education and Livelihoods • Political Culture • Grass-root Democracy • Law and Society • Gender and Development • Corruption • Role of International Development Organizations F) Environment and Society • Social and Cultural Ecology: Diverse Forms • Technological Change, Agriculture and Biodiversity • Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Ethno-Medicine • Gender and Environment • Forest Policies, Adivasis and Exclusion

- Ecological Degradation and Migration • Development, Displacement and Rehabilitation • Water and Social Exclusion • Disasters and Community Responses • Environmental Pollution, Public Health and Disability • Climate Change and International Policies

- Environmental Movements • G) Science, Technology and Society • History of Technological Development • Virtual Community • Media: Print and Electronic, Visual and Social Media • E-Governance and Surveillance Society

- Technology and Emerging Political Processes State Policy, Digital Divide and Inclusion • Technology and Changing Family Relations • Technology and Changing Health Systems Food and Technology H) Culture and Symbolic Transformations • Signs and Symbols

- Rituals, Beliefs and Practices • Changing Material Culture • Moral Economy • Education: Formal and Informal • Religious Organizations, Piety and Spirituality

- Commodification of Rituals • Communalism and Secularism • Cultural Identity and Mobilization • Culture and Politics • Gender, Body and Culture • Culture and Environment • New Religious Movement