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MA DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2024

Second Semester

M.A. Sociology

M21SO05DC – Sociological Theories

(2023 January admissions)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions in a word or sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. The roots of Functionalism in sociology are found in the works of Herbert Spencer and
2.is a research method started by a mathematician named Edmund Husserl in 1900.
3. is a mode of adaptation in which there is rejection of both cultural goals (-) and institutionalised means (-).
4. The philosopheris credited with coining the word “intersubjectivity,”
5. Who authored The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life?
6. Merton refers to the concept of Relative Deprivation in his work.....
7. Expand AGIL.
8. Name any one proponent of Structuralist Marxism?
9. Who coined the term Symbolic Interactionism?
10.is a way of studying society that sees it as a system of logical structures
11. According to Radcliff Brown, was meant to be the study of a culture’s history.
12. functions are those which are neither intended nor recognized
13. Who authored the book ‘The Andaman Islanders’?
14. Who coined the term ‘Generalised Other?’
15.introduced the concept called “anthropological imagination.

(1X10=10)

Section B

Answer any five of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.

16. Explain the concepts of ‘Eunomia’ and ‘Dysnomia’ of Radcliff Brown.
17. Describe the concept of The Looking Glass Self
18. What is ‘Thick Description’?
19. Explain the role and functions of Magic as explained by Malinowski.
20. Explain the significance of Individual and Self in Symbolic Interactionism

21. What are the specificities of Symbolic Interactionism?
22. What is Ethnomethodology?
23. Define Totemism.
24. Describe Marcuse concept of “historicity”.
25. Explain Schutz three crucial components of everyday social order.

(2X5=10)

Section C

Answer any five of the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 4 marks.

26. Define Functionalism, explain its origin and its basic propositions.
27. Discuss contributions of Talcott Parson to Functionalist school of thought.
28. Define and distinguish the concepts of Langue and Parole.
29. Define and describe Dahrendorfs concept of ICA's.
30. Describe Critical theory in the light of Habermas contributions.
31. Explain the concepts of Manifest, Latent and Dysfunctions as put forth by R K Merton
32. What are the fundamental ideas of Ethnomethodology?
33. Critically evaluate Levi Strauss's concept of culture as a system of exchange.

(4X5=20)

Section D

Answer any three of the following questions in two pages each. Each question carries 10 marks.

34. Elaborate on the Functionalism of Radcliffe Brown.
35. Analyse the historical background , nature and major propositions of critical theory.
36. Evaluate Goffman's contributions to Symbolic Interactionism.
37. Explain Coser's social conflict theory and establish its link to social change.
38. Elaborate Poulantzas's Theory of the Capitalist State.
39. Compare and contrast the propositions of Structural Functionalism put forth by Malinowski and Radcliff Brown.

(10X3=30)