

Entrance Examinations - 2024
Ph.D. Sociology

Maximum Marks : 70

Time : 2 Hours

Hall Ticket No.

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General Instructions :

Please read the following instructions carefully before answering.

1. Write your Hall Ticket Number in the OMR Answer Sheet and a separate answer book given to you. Also write the Hall Ticket Number in the space provided above.
2. **This question paper consists of Two Parts – Part ‘A’ and Part ‘B’.** Part-A of the question paper consists of 35 objective type questions of one mark each for a total of 35 marks. Part B has two Sections: Section I consisting of a long answer (15 marks) and Section II consisting of 4 short notes of 5 marks each (20 marks).
3. Answers for **Part-A** must be marked on the OMR answer sheet following the instructions provided thereupon.
4. **Part-B** consists of descriptive type questions for 35 marks and to be answered in a separate answer book provided.
5. Hand over the OMR answer sheet and the Answer Book of **Part ‘B’** at the end of the examination to the Invigilator.
6. Each correct answer in **Part A** carries 1 mark. Marks obtained in **Part A** will determine the merit rank in case of tie in the total number of marks obtained
7. No additional sheets will be provided. Rough work can be done in the question paper itself.

****There is no negative marking.****

Part – A

Objective Questions (35 Marks)

The following questions are to be answered in the OMR sheet provided

1. The concept of 'ideal type' in sociological theory broadly refers to
 - A. Statistical average
 - B. A hypothesis
 - C. A social philosophy
 - D. A mental construct

2. 'Middle-Range' Theory:
 - A. Is at a lower level of abstraction
 - B. Is connected to the empirical world
 - C. Both the above
 - D. None of the above

3. Karl Popper describes the concept of pseudoscience largely with reference to
 - A. The falsification principles of scientific inquiry
 - B. The concept of thick description and its methodological significance
 - C. The inadequacies of structural functionalist perspective on religion
 - D. The concept of auto-ethnography

4. Harold Garfinkel's concept of 'Indexicality' refers to:
 - A. The specific crisis of methodological individualism
 - B. The way people use context-specific signs, symbols and meanings to make sense of social interactions
 - C. The problems of inductive and deductive logical inquiry while studying social reality.
 - D. The larger problems of modern nation-state.

5. Goffman's 'Dramaturgical' perspective mainly intends to study
 - A. How all human actors are performing their consciously constructed roles for impression management?
 - B. The relationship between collective consciousness and subjective agency
 - C. The complex nature of the emerging political society
 - D. The conflict between state and civil society in late capitalism

6. An Intervening variable is one, which
 - A. Acts as a predictor variable
 - B. Is the variable being predicted
 - C. Causally links two variables
 - D. Does not affect the sample

7. Who among the following proposed dialectical approach to study Indian society?
 - A. M.N. Srinivas
 - B. Louis Dumont
 - C. Yogendra Singh
 - D. D P Mukherjee

8. Ratio level of measurement is not used to measure intelligence, because
 - A. Intelligence cannot be quantified
 - B. Intelligence is not amenable to measurement
 - C. Intelligence has no true zero point
 - D. Intelligence has a true zero point

9. To measure strength and direction of relationship between two variables, which of the following is used
 - A. Standard deviation
 - B. Mean deviation
 - C. Mean
 - D. Correlation

10. Which of the following are 'descriptive statistics'?
 - A. Measures of central tendency
 - B. Measures of dispersion
 - C. Measures of association
 - D. Hypothesis testing

Chose the correct answer

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
 - B. 1, 3 and 4 only
 - C. 2, 3, and 4 only
 - D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
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11. Identify the correct pair of variable and level of measurement
 - A. State of domicile – ordinal
 - B. Satisfaction – ordinal
 - C. Sex – ordinal
 - D. Religion – ordinal

 12. Feminist epistemology
 - A. Is based on experimental science alone
 - B. Gives importance to experiential knowledge
 - C. is not theoretical
 - D. is not sociological

13 _____ argues for, 'strong objectivity', that recognizes that values and attitudes of the researcher impacts the research process.

- A. Lorainne Code
- B. Sandra Harding
- C. Patricia Hill Collins
- D. Kimberly Crenshaw

14. Which theory played an important role in nurturing of qualitative research?

- A. Structural Functional Theory
- B. Marxist Theory
- C. Feminist Theory
- D. Grounded Theory

15. Open, axial and _____ coding are the three types of coding used while doing thematic analysis within qualitative research.

- A. Selective
- B. Inductive
- C. Theoretical
- D. Focused

16. Who among the following theorized 'the tragedy of culture' in modern societies?

- A. Talcott Parsons
- B. Marcel Mauss
- C. Georg Simmel
- D. Theodor Adorno

17. The concept 'Agrarian Urbanism' connotes

- A. Urban propertied classes owning farm houses in rural areas.
- B. The emerging propertied classes in urban areas with pure agricultural backgrounds.
- C. Urbanism is equally intertwined with the urban as well as agrarian dynamics of land, property and tenure.
- D. Agriculturists living and farming in cities.

18. Karl Polanyi's double movement explains various mutations that happen between

- A. State and Market
- B. Market and Traders
- C. Heads of state and heads of religious communities
- D. Dominant castes and oppressed castes

19. Duality of Structure' is associated with

- A. Claude Levi-Strauss
- B. Zygmunt Bauman
- C. Anthony Giddens
- D. None of the above

20. "If history, economics, political science, psychology, and other subjects study different areas of social phenomena, there must be a general social science to deal with society as a whole and to examine the interrelationship among them." Whose idea is this?
- Auguste Comte
 - St. Simon
 - Emile Durkheim
 - Max weber
21. Sorokin's theory of socio-cultural dynamics is an example of?
- Speculative theory
 - Macro theory
 - Grand theory
 - Grounded theory
22. One of the foundational principles of Althusser's Structural Marxism is:
- The concept of binary transcends human consciousness
 - The class consciousness is not necessarily determined by material conditions
 - The subsumed condition of individual agency by historical processes and by history itself.
 - The dismantling of the bourgeoisie state is not a mandatory condition for revolution
23. Gramsci's 'war of position' largely focuses on
- The ideological conflict between Bolsheviks and Mensheviks
 - The crisis of industrial capitalism in Oriental societies
 - The problems of manufacturing consent in the era of advance capitalism
 - The complex nature of modern civil society wherein the role of trade unions and political agitations is seen quite vital.
24. Structuralism is premised on
- Structure and Function
 - Hierarchy of structures
 - Norms informing social structures
 - Underlying universalist logic of binary opposition
25. Given below are two statements related to Jack Goody and S. J. Tambiah's classic argument on '*Bride-wealth and Dowry*'

Statement I: Societies practicing bride wealth have egalitarian gender relations

Statement II: There is a close association between types of agriculture and marriage payment.

In light of the above statements, choose the most appropriate answer from the options given below:

- Both Statement I and Statement II are correct
- Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect
- Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect
- Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is correct

26. Lukacs's concept of reification is associated with
- A. Freudian idea of Thanatos
 - B. Marx's idea of Fetishism
 - C. Althusser's Interpellation
 - D. All of the above
27. David Schneider's Cultural approach to kinship talks about
- A. Relatedness
 - B. Descent
 - C. Alliance
 - D. Genomes and reproductive technology
28. Judith Butler in her explanation of heterosexual order talks about
- A. Hegemonic idea of romantic love
 - B. Socialization of infant sexuality
 - C. Sexual division of labour
 - D. Exogamy
29. According to Merton, 'Retreatism' is:
- A. An individual mode of adaptation
 - B. A strategy civilians follow in wartime
 - C. Conforming to society
 - D. None of the above
30. Who advocated the meritocracy theory in social stratification studies?
- A. Davis and Durkheim
 - B. Davis and Moore
 - C. Weber and Parsons
 - D. Gramsci and Althusser
31. Given below are two statements from Gender and Development framework:

Statement I: The women in development (WID) approach highlighted the subordinate position of the developing countries in the world capitalist system, and held the view that the third-world's integration into world capitalism would change the unequal relationship between men and women.

Statement II: The gender and development (GAD) approach does not understand the issues and concerns of women in development practice per se, but addresses the gender issue in a holistic manner.

In light of the above statements, choose the most appropriate answer from the options given below:

- A. Both Statement I and Statement II are correct
- B. Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect
- C. Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect
- D. Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is correct

32. Dependency theory refers to which of the following
1. Powerful developed countries dominate dependent, powerless developing countries
 2. Mutual dependence between developed and developing countries for international trade and commerce
 3. Underdevelopment is the result of unequal power relationships between developed capitalist countries and developing countries
 4. The traditional social structure and archaic economic institutions of developing countries explain their backwardness

Chose the correct answer

- A. 1, 2 and 4 only
 - B. 1, 3 and 4 only
 - C. 2, 3, and 4 only
 - D. 1 and 3 only
33. Which of the following is a characteristic of Arturo Escobar's post-structuralist political ecology approach?
- A. This approach focuses on the role of language in the construction of environmental social reality; it treats language not as the reflection of reality but as constitutive of it
 - B. This approach inquires about maintenance of structural equilibrium through adaptation and adjustment to the ecosystem
 - C. This approach argues that environmental problems are not inherently physical but are caused by multifarious reasons including unequal access to natural resources
 - D. This approach perceives capitalism and globalisation as exploitative forces
34. Who among the following was critical of 'groupism' and suggested alternative ways of conceptualizing ethnicity without invoking the imagery of bounded groups.
- A. Fredrik Barth
 - B. Donald L. Horowitz
 - C. Rogers Brubaker
 - D. Paul R. Brass
35. What is it called when we "think ourselves away" from the familiar routine in order to see things in a different, more sociological perspective?
- A. Multiple personality disorder
 - B. Globalization
 - C. Unintended consequences
 - D. Sociological imagination

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PART – B

Section – I

(15 Marks)

Attempt any **One** of the following questions. The answer must not exceed 500 words.

1. Trace the methodological foundations of Weberian sociology.
2. Compare and contrast the methods of social inquiry of Karl Marx and Emile Durkheim.

Part – B

Section – II

(20 Marks)

Attempt a short note on any **Four** of the following themes. Each short note carries **Five** marks and must not exceed 200 words.

1. Digital ethnography
2. Bourdieu's forms of capital
3. Foucault's idea of power
4. Changing dynamics of dominant caste
5. Race as a social construct
6. Dalit feminism
7. Commodification of health
8. Concept of phenomenology

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Question No	Correct Option		Question No	Correct Option
1	D		19	C
2	C		20	A
3	A		21	C
4	B		22	C
5	A		23	D
6	C		24	D
7	D		25	A
8	C		26	B
9	D		27	A
10	A		28	D
11	B		29	A
12	B		30	B
13	B		31	D
14	D		32	D
15	A		33	A
16	C		34	C
17	C		35	D
18	A			

Note/Remarks : We have checked the queries related to Question No. 10 and 25 raised by the applicants. The answers given in the answer key are correct and the objects are invalid. Hence, there is no change in the answer key.

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