Civil Services (Main) Examination, 2008

SOCIOLOGY

(Paper I)

Time Allowed : Three Hours	*Maximum Marks : 300*

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions :

There are **EIGHT** questions divided in **TWO SECTIONS**.

Candidate has to attempt **FIVE** questions in all.

Questions no. **1** and **5** are compulsory and out of the remaining, any **THREE** are to be attempted choosing at least **ONE** question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

SECTION 'A'

1. Write short notes on any three of the following (each one should not exceed 200 words): 20×3=60

(a) Role of value in sociological enquiry

(b) Social mobility in open and closed systems

(c) Social movement as an expression of protest

(d) Education as an agent of social change

2. How is emergence of sociology linked with modernization of Europe? 60

3. What is the importance of sampling in sociological studies? Distinguish between simple random sampling and stratified random sampling. 60

4. Using Max Weber's theory, discuss what ethical and religious ideas produced capitalism in certain societies and how? 60

SECTION 'B'

5. Write short notes on any three of the following in about 200 words each: 20×3=60

(a) Relevance of pattern variables in social change

(b) Mead's notion of self

(c) Importance and sources of hypotheses in social research

(d) New trends in the type and forms of family in contemporary India

6. What is Merton's view of relationship between social structure and deviance? In what sense is a deviant also a conformist? 60

7. In what important ways can religion be a force both for social stability and social change? Discuss. 60

8. How does hierarchy get built into the system of natural and social inequalities? 60

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