Civil Services (Main) Examination, 2012

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 the following, keeping sociological perspective in view (each short note in about 150 words): 12×5=60

(a) Interpretative sociology

(b) Fact, value and objectivity

(c) Universalism vs. particularism

(d) Comparative method

(e) Sacred and profane

2. (a) How did the French Revolution and Industrial Revolution play an important role in the emergence of sociology? 30

(b) Show how Durkheim through the study of totemism demonstrates the reality of religion. 30

3. (a) 'Power and authority go together.' Examine. Explain the various types of authority also. 30

(b) Examine how Weber's characterization of capitalism is different from that of Marx. 30

4. (a) Differentiate between the qualitative and quantitative methods in research. 20

(b) Sometimes workers do not feel attachment for their work. Marx formed a theory for this situation; discuss that theory. 20

(c) 'Social fact is to be treated as a thing.' Discuss. 20

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SECTION 'B'

5. Write short notes on the following from a sociological perspective (each short note in about 150 words): 12×5=60

(a) Stratification of classes

(b) Industrial democracy

(c) Citizenship and civil society

(d) Millenarian movements

(e) Theory of Cultural Lag – Ogburn and Nimkoff

6. (a) In our society hierarchical relations are influenced by social mobility. Explain how. 20

(b) In Marxian classification of society, feudal and slave societies are very important. How are they different from each other? 20

(c) Are social movements always influenced by ideologies? Discuss. 20

7. (a) Discuss the factors leading to growing religious revivalism in the contemporary world. 20

(b) Describe the importance of lineage and descent in kinship and family. 20

(c) Show how family is distinct from household. 20

8. (a) How do formal and informal organisation of work influence labour's mobility? Explain with examples. 20

(b) What do you understand by nation? Is the nation same as the state? Discuss. 20

(c) 'Revolutionary changes have some specific characteristics.' Discuss with examples. 20

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