Course Structure for M.A. (SOCIOLOGY)
under Semester System to come into force from
Academic Session 2013-14.

M.A. SOCIOLOGY
(SEMESTER-WISE)
M.A. SOCIOLOGY
(Under Semester System Scheme)

INTRODUCTION:

The Masters Program in Sociology is conceived as a course providing a sound theoretical base for the understanding of contemporary social phenomena. The course provides equal importance to classical and contemporary theories on one hand and a number of special fields of empirical Sociological studies on the other. The M.A. Examination in Sociology has been divided into four Semesters spread over two years. It offers a total of four papers in semester first, second and third. In fourth Semester there are three theory papers and a Vive-Voce. Each paper is proposed to have maximum of 100 marks consisting of Theory 80 marks and Internal Assessment 20 marks. The Semester wise papers are proposed as follows:
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PAPER – 201: MODERN SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY                  100 MARKS

PAPER – 202: RURAL SOCIOLOGY                             100 MARKS

PAPER – 203: ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY                     100 MARKS

PAPER – 204: SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT               100 MARKS
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GRAND TOTAL (I+II+III+IV SEMESTER) 1600 MARKS
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FIRST SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 101

GENERAL SOCIOLOGY

Unit - I Sociology:
Nature, Scope and Significance. Development of Sociology as a discipline in general and in India

Unit – II Basic Concepts:
Society, Group, Community.

Unit – III Social Processes:
Associative -- Co-operation, Accommodation, Assimilation. Dissociative – Competition and Conflict.

Unit - IV Social Institutions:
Marriage, Family, Religion.

Unit – V Conformity and Deviance:
Socialization, Crime, Delinquency

Suggested Readings:

• Haralambos: Sociology: Themes and Perspectives, Bell and Hyman, London; 1985
• Haralambos: Sociology: Themes and Perspectives, Pearson, Australia; 2004
• Kapadia, K.M.: Marriage and Family in India, Oxford University Press, Bombay;
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FIRST SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 102

CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

Unit – 1. The Development of Sociology in the 19th Century

Unit – 2. Karl Marx:
   a) Capitalism
   b) Class and Class Conflict

Unit – 3. Max Weber:
   a) Basic Concepts and Terms
   b) Social Action
   c) Religion and Social Change

Unit – 4. Emile Durkheim:
   a) The Division of Labour and Forms of Solidarity
   b) Suicide
   c) Religion

Suggested Readings:


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FIRST SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 103

SOCIOLOGY OF INDIAN SOCIETY

Unit - I Historical Background:

Traditional Hindu Social Organization – Purushartha, Samaskara, Theory of Karma.

Unit – II Social Stratification – I:

Caste -- Features, functions and changes; Caste and Mobility.

Unit – III Social Stratification – II:

Class -- Agrarian and Industrial, Changing Class structure

Unit - IV Family, Marriage and Kinship:

Structure, Functions and Changing Pattern

Unit – V Issues in Family and Marriage:

Gender Inequalities, Dowry, Divorce, Domestic Violence.
Suggested Readings:

- Ghurye, G.S.: Caste and Role in India, Popular Prakashan, Bombay; 1969
- Kapadia, K.M.: Marriage and Family in India, Oxford University Press, Bombay; 1960
- Mandelbaum, D.G.: Society in India, Popular Prakashan, Bombay; 1972
- Majumdar & Madan: An Introduction to Social Anthropology, Asia Publication House, Bombay; 1966
- Prabhu, P.H.: Hindu Social Organization, Popular Parkashan, Bombay; 1963
- Sharma, K.L.: Essays on Social Stratification, Rawat Publication, Jaipur; 1980
- Singh, Y.: Modernization of Indian Tradition, Thomson press, Faridabad; 1973
- Singh, Y.: Social Stratification and change in India, Manohar publications, New Delhi; 1979
• Singer & Cohn: Structure and Change in Indian Society, Aldin Publishing Co. Chicago; 1968

• Srinivas, M.N.: India Social Structure, Hindustan Publishing Corp. New Delhi; 1980

• Srinivas & Shah: Hinduism in International Encyclopedia of Social Science, Meerut; 1970

• Srinvas, M.N.: Caste in Modern India and other Essays, Asian Publishing House, Bombay; 1966
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FIRST SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 104
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Unit – I: Research Methodology:

Unit – II: Research Process:
Formulation of Research problem, Hypothesis.

Unit – III Methodological orientations:
Positivism, Research Designs: Exploratory, Descriptive and Experimental.

Unit - IV Sampling:
Sampling : Meaning & Types.
Scaling Techniques – Bogardus, Likert and Thurstone.

Unit – V: The Data:
Types, Sources, Data Collection Techniques – Observation, Schedule, Questionnaire, Interview, Case Study
Suggested Readings:


- Babbie, Earl: The Practice of Social Research, Thomson Asia Pvt. Ltd., Singapore; 2004


- Matt Henn & others: a Short introduction to Social Research, Vistas Publication, New Delhi; 2006


• Young P.V.: Scientific Social Survey and Research, Prentice Hall New Jersy, 1956
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SECOND SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 201
MODERN SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

Unit – I Exchange Theory:
C.H. Homans, Peter M. Blau

Unit – II Everyday Life Approach:
Schutz – Phenomenology, Garfinkel – Ethnomethodology.

Unit - III Structuralism and Post-Structuralism:
Levi- Strauss – Concept, Models, Foucault – Power and Knowledge

Unit – IV Critical Theory:
Habermas – Life World, Communicative Action.

Unit – V-The Post-Modern Emergence:
Giddens – Late-Modernity, Structuration, Derrida – Deconstruction

Suggested Readings:
- Abrahm, F.: Modern Sociological Theory, Oxford University Press, New Delhi
• Berger & Luckmann: The Social Construction of Reality, Penguin; 1963


• Craib, I.: Modern Social Theory, Harvester; 1992

• Douglas, J.: Introduction to Sociologies of Everyday Life, 15 Allyn and Bacon; 1980

• Giddens, A.: Central Problem in Social Theory, MacMillan, London; 1983,


• Layder, Derek: Understanding Social Theory (2nd Ed.), Sage Publication, New Delhi; 2006

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SECOND SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 202

RURAL SOCIOLOGY

Unit - I Rural Sociology:
Nature and Scope Significance of Rural Studies/ Village Studies, Little and Great traditions.

Unit – II Rural Social Structure:
Rural Family; Structure and Change Inter-Caste relations.

Unit – III Rural Economy:
Land Ownership, Agrarian Reforms; Changing Pattern.

Unit - IV Rural Political System:
Panchayati Raj Restructuring of Power Relationship, Emerging patterns of Rural Leadership.

Unit – V Rural Problems:
Rural Poverty, Unemployment, Bonded Labour.

Suggested Readings:
- Ahuja, Ram: Social Problem, Rawat Publication, Jaipur; 2006
• Beteille, A.: Studies in Agrarian social Structure, Oxford University Press, New Delhi; 1975

• Desai, A.R.: Rural Sociology in India, Popular Prakashan, Bombay; 1996

• Desai, A.R.: Rural India in Transition, Popular Prakashan, Bombay; 1979

• Dhanagre, D.N.: Peasant Movement, Oxford University Press, New Delhi; 1985


• Fernandes, Leela: India’s New Middle Class, Oxford Univ. Press; 2006

• Lewis, Oscar: The Stigma of Poverty Maheshwari, S.R.: Rural Development In India, Sage Publication, New Delhi; 1985


• Ranbir, D.T.: Bharat Mein Jati aur Varg, Popular Prakashan, Bombay; 1966

• Sidhqui, M.H.: Agrarian Unrest in North India, Vikas Publishing House; 1978

• Vidyarthi, L.P.: Leadership in India, Asia Publishing House, Bombay; 1967
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SECOND SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 203
ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY

**Unit – I Environmental Sociology:**
Meaning, Sociological Thinking on Environment - Karl Marx; Max Weber.

**Unit – II Theoretical Parameters:**

**Unit – III Developmental Issues and Environmental Factor:**
Technology Choice; Environmental Consciousness, Dimensions of Environmental Degradation.

**Unit – IV Environmental Movements in India:**
Green Peace Movements, Chipco Movement, Ganga Bachao Abhiyan; Water Conservation Movement.

**Unit – V Green Policies and Programs:**
Remedial Strategies- Governments Environmental Acts, Environmental education.

**Suggested Readings:**
• Albrow, Martin & Elizabeth King (Ed.), (1990), Globalisation, Knowledge and Society, Sage: London


• Chauhan, I.S (1998), Environmental Degradation, Delhi: Rawat Publications.


• Dickens, Peter (1992), Society and Nature: Towards a Green Social Theory, Hemel-Hemsteeed: Hawester Wheatsheaf.

• Dobson. A (1990), Green Political Thought, London: Andre Den
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SECOND SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 204
SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT

Unit – 1 Social Change:
Concept and Characteristics, Factors of Change.

Unit – II Theories and Patterns of Change:
Linear; Cyclical; Conflict; Cultural and Historical Theories

Unit – III Development:
Concepts, characteristics; Social Development, Sustainable Development

Unit – IV Theories of Development and Underdevelopment:
Modernization, Dependency and the World System; Globalization and Liberalization.

Unit – V Indian Social Changes:
Processes of change – Modernization, Westernization, Sanskritization

Suggested Readings:
• Bernd, Hamns & Pandurang K. Mutagi (1998), Sustainable Development and Future of Cities,

• Intermediate Technology Publication, UNSECO


• Srinivas, M.N. (1966), Social Change in Modern India. Berkley: University of Berkley.
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THIRD SEMESTER DETAILED SYALLBUS

PAPER – 301

SOCIOLOGY OF POPULATION STUDIES

Unit – I Sociology of Population Studies:

Nature, Scope and Importance.

Unit – II Population Theories:

Malthusian, Neo- Malthusian, Optimum Population and Demographic Transition.

Unit – III Fertility:

Concept, Factors affecting Fertility in India. Mortality: Concept and Measures; Differential Mortality in India, Factors affecting Mortality in India.

Unit – IV Migration:

Concept and Factors; Issue of Rural-Urban Migration, Problem of Migrant Labourers.

Unit – V Demographic Structure of India:

Population Policy and programmes.

Suggested Readings:

• Agarwal, S.N. (1977) India’s Population Problems, New Delhi:
• Census of India (2001). New Delhi: Govt. of India.
• Franda, Marcus (1975), Response to Population Growth in India, Praeger Publishers Inc
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THIRD SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 302

POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

Unit – 1 Political Sociology:

Definition, Nature, Scope & Political system.

Unit – II Concepts in Political Sociology:

Power and Authority, Political Culture, Pressure Groups.

Unit – III Approaches to study Political System:

Structural-functional, Social System.

Unit – IV Society and Polity in India:

Social bases of Politics in India: Caste, Religion and Regions.

Unit – V Problem of National Integration:

Problems- Casteism, Communalism, Regionalism.

Suggested Readings:


• Almond and Powell (1972), Comparative Politics: A Development Approach, New Delhi.


• Bottomore, T.B. (1971), Elites and Society, Penguin, Harmond Swarth

• Ball, Alam R. (1978), Modern Politics and Government, Macmillan


• Desai, A.R. (1988), Social Background of Indian Nationalism, Popular Parkashan, Bombay

• Dowse, R.E. and Hughes (J.A.) (1972), Political Sociology, London: John Wiley.

• Easton, David (1965), A Framework for Political Analysis, Englewood Cliffs, Prentice Hall.

• Easton, David (1965), A System Analysis of Political Life, New York, Wiley.
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PAPER – 303
SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Unit – 1 Social Anthropology:
Meaning, Nature and Scope.

Unit – II Theoretical and Methodological orientations:
Functionalism (R. Brown and Malinowski), Structuralism (Levi Strauss and Nadel)

Unit – III Tribal Institutions:
Marriage, Youth Organizations, Religion and Magic

Unit – IV Tribal Society in India:
Geographical distribution; Tribal Problems – Problems of Development

Unit-V Tribal Welfare:
Tribal Rights, Tribal Welfare Schemes.

Suggested Readings:
- Beattie, John (1964), Other Cultures: Aims, Methods and Achievements in Anthropology, London: R.K.P.
- Beteille (1974), Six Essays in Comparative Sociology, New Delhi: OUP.
• Fox, Robin (1973), Encounter with Anthropology, England: Penguin Books Ltd.

• Godelier, Maurice(1973), Perspectives in Marxist Anthropology, London: Cambridge University Press.


• Pritchard, Evans (1972), Social Anthropology, London: Routledge and Kegan


• Bose, N. K.(1967), Culture and Society in India, Asia Publishing House

• Desai, A. R.(1979), Peasant struggles in India, Oxford University Press, Bombay

• Dube, S.C. (1977), Tribal Heritage of India, New Delhi: Vikas
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PAPER – 304

SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Unit-I Religion:
Definition, Functions and Dysfunctions.

Unit-II Perspectives on Religion:
Frazer, Durkheim, Marx, Weber.

Unit-III Conceptual Categories:
Beliefs, Rituals, Magic and Religion.

Unit-IV Religion of India:
Comparative Religion; Religious Demography--Hindu, Islam, Christianity, Bodh, Sikh, Jain religions.

Unit-V Contemporary Trends in Religions:
Secularization, New Religious movements.

Suggested Readings:

• D’Souza, Lila (2005), The Sociology of Religion: A historical review, Rawat Publications, N. Delhi

• Dube, S.C. (1990), India Society, National Book Trust, New Delhi

• Durkheim, Emile (1965), The Elementary Forms of Religious Life, Free Press, New York


• Majumdar, H.T. (1986), India’s religious heritage. New Delhi: Allied.


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FOURTH SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 401
SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Unit-I Social Problem:
Concept and Meaning; Social Problem, Perspectives – Labeling Theory (Becker), Differential Association (Sutherland).

Unit-II Group Context of Social Problems:
Casteism, Communalism, Atrocities against Women.

Unit-III Gender Disadvantages and Women Protection:
Gender discrimination, Domestic Violence, Remedies for Gender Problems.

Unit-IV Some Specific Social Problems:
Untouchability, Dowry, Prostitution, Corruption.

Unit-V Deviant Behaviour:
Organized Crime, White Collar Crime; Alcohol and Drug Addiction, Sex Offences.

Suggested Readings:
- Ahuja Ram (1992), Social Problems in India, Rawat Publications, Jaipur
• Beteille, Andre. (1974), Social Inequality, New Delhi: OUP

• Beteille, Andre. (1992), Backward Classes in Contemporary India., New Delhi: OUP

• Berreman, GD(1979), Caste and Other Inequalities: Essays in Inequality, Meerut:Folklore Institute.

• Ghurye, G.S. (1968), Social Tensions in India, Bombay: Popular Parkashan.

• Gill, S.S. (1998), The Pathology of Corruption, New Delhi: Harper Collin Publisher

• Inden, Ronald. (1990), Imaging India, Oxford: Brasil Blackward


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FOURTH SEMESTER DETAILED SYLLABUS

PAPER – 402
CRIMINOLOGY

Unit – 1 Crime:
Definition, Deviant Behaviour, Delinquency, Deviant Subculture.

Unit – II Theoretical Perspectives:
Classical, Biological, Psychological, Social Theory.

Unit – III Forms of Crimes:

Unit – IV Corrections and Controls:
Correctional Approaches- Community Based and Prison Based; Correctional Programmes - Prison Reforms.

Unit – V Crimes in India:
Classification of Crimes; Indian Penal Code; Idea of Zero tolerance to crime.
Suggested Readings:

- Annual Report of National Crime Bureau, New Delhi

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PAPER – 403

INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY

Unit - I Concept:
Nature and Scope of Industrial Sociology; Pace of Industrialization.

Unit – II Politico-Economic Frame of Industry:
Factory as a System; Industrial Management.

Unit – III Industrial Work-Force:
Changing Character of Work-Force in India.

Unit - IV Industry-Society Interface:
Impact of Industry on Social Structure - Caste, Class, Family.

Unit – V Socio-Ecological Problems:
Growth of Slums, Environmental Degradation.

Suggested Readings:
- Danial, Bell : The Coming of Post-Industrial Society, Basic Books, New York; 1973
- Desai, A.R. : Rise and Development of Modern Indian Industries
• Perspective Chapter VII in Social Background of Indian Nationalism; Popular Parkashan, Bombay; 1978
• Edwards, Paul : Industrial Relations, Blackwell Publishing; 2003
• Faunce, William : Problem of Industrial Society, McGraw Hill Book Company; 1968
• Gisbert, S.J. : Fundamental of Industrial Sociology, Mcgraw Hill; 1972
• Hoselitz, B. & : Industrialization and Society,
• Ramaswamy, E.S. : Industrial Relation in India: A Sociological Perspective, Thee Milan, India; 1978
• Sheth, N.R.: Industrial Sociology in India,Allied Publishers Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi; 1985
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