

**63/1 (SEM-3)(GE3/DSC)/SOC  
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**2023**

**SOCIOLOGY**

**Paper : SOCHG3036/SOCRC3036**

**( Sociological Theories )**

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

**Time : 3 hours**

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

**1. Choose the correct answer (any six) : 1×6=6**

**(a) Karl Marx was greatly influenced by the  
philosophy and idealism of**

**(i) Plato**

**(ii) Socrates**

**(iii) Hegel**

**(iv) Aristotle**

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(b) Who is the author of *Das Kapital*?

- (i) Karl Marx
- (ii) Max Weber
- (iii) Emile Durkheim
- (iv) Herbert Spencer

(c) Class antagonism reaches its climax and it leads to which of the following formations?

- (i) Slavery
- (ii) Revolution
- (iii) Bourgeoisie
- (iv) Proletariat

(d) *The Rules of Sociological Method* was written by

- (i) Auguste Comte
- (ii) Max Weber
- (iii) Karl Marx
- (iv) Emile Durkheim

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(e) Durkheim used \_\_\_\_\_ method to study societies.

- (i) empirical
- (ii) historical
- (iii) philosophical
- (iv) social

(f) Durkheim's views supported the perspective of

- (i) functionalism
- (ii) conflict theory
- (iii) interpretive theory
- (iv) structuralism

(g) Which of the following is not the main characteristics of social facts?

- (i) Internal
- (ii) Constraint
- (iii) Independence
- (iv) Generality

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(h) Max Weber emphasized on the idea of

- (i) idealism
- (ii) comparison
- (iii) rationality
- (iv) socialism

(i) Verstehen refers to

- (i) knowledge
- (ii) understanding
- (iii) objectivity
- (iv) reflexivity

(j) Who is the author of *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism*?

- (i) Karl Marx
- (ii) Max Weber
- (iii) Emile Durkheim
- (iv) Robert Merton

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2. Answer any five of the following questions :

2×5=10

- (a) Define 'class' as explained by Marx.
- (b) What is the main focus of dialectical approach?
- (c) Define alienation.
- (d) What is forces of production?
- (e) Define social facts.
- (f) What is division of labour?
- (g) Define social action.

3. Answer any six of the following questions :

5×6=30

- (a) What are the criteria for determination of class?
- (b) Write about the various stages of human history as classified by Marx.
- (c) Discuss the main features of communism.

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(d) Does society precede the individual? Discuss with reference to the viewpoint of Durkheim.

(e) What are the main characteristics of social facts?

(f) Explain the types of solidarity given by Durkheim.

(g) What are the types of social action as classified by Weber?

(h) Write down the characteristics of ideal types.

(i) In what ways did Weber explain bureaucracy as an ideal type?

(j) What are the elements of authority?

4. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

10×2=20

(a) Discuss in detail the laws of dialectics.

(b) In what way was Durkheim influenced by Comte's idea of positivism? Discuss.

(c) Define authority. Explain the types of authority as given by Weber. 3+7=10

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(d) Discuss in detail the rules that have to be followed to observe social facts objectively.

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 14

(a) Write an essay on class and class struggle.

(b) Discuss how Weber's understanding of the development of capitalism different from that of Karl Marx.

(c) Explain in detail the materialist perspective of Marx.

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