

BA 6th SEMESTER
DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (DSE)

OPTION - I

SOC620DA: SOCIOLOGY: SOCIAL STRATIFICATION

CREDITS: THEORY: 4, TUTORIAL: 2
MAXIMUM MARKS: THEORY: 60, TUTORIAL: 30
MINIMUM MARKS: THEORY: 24, TUTORIAL: 12

Course Objectives:

The course is designed to help the students to conceptualize the idea of social stratification and social mobility. The course also intends to familiarize the students with the major sociological perspectives of social movements.

The course specifically aims to enable the students to:

- *Understand the fundamental aspects of social stratification and social mobility.*
- *Understand the determinants of social stratification and social mobility in India.*
- *Understand the impact of the social stratification and social mobility on the overall functioning of the society.*

Learning Outcomes:

Upon completing the course, the students are expected to be well familiar with the concept, types and impact of social stratification and social mobility. The students shall be particularly expected to have a deep understanding of the factors leading to and also impeding the social mobility in India.

Unit 1: Social Stratification

- a. Concept and Nature
- b. Forms of Stratification
- c. Ajlafization and Ashrafization

Unit 2: Perspectives on Social Stratification

- a. Functionalist Perspective
- b. Conflict Perspective
- c. Weberian Perspective

Unit 3: Social Stratification and Issues

- a. Social Stratification and Social Change
- b. Caste and Class Stratification
- c. Caste and Politics

Unit 4: Social Mobility in Indian Society

- a. Modernization
- b. Sanskritization
- c. Islamization

TUTORIALS: PROJECT WORK/PRESENTATION/DEBATES/TERM PAPER (2 CREDITS)

TUTORIAL I:

- a) Social Stratification in Kashmir Society
- b) Social Stratification and Social Change
- c) Social Mobility

TUTORIAL II

- a) Caste System in Kashmir
- b) Islamization in India
- c) Davis-Moore Thesis of Social Stratification

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BA 6th SEMESTER
DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (DSE)
OPTION - II

SOC620DA: SOCIOLOGY: RELIGION AND SOCIETY

CREDITS: THEORY: 4, TUTORIAL: 2
MAXIMUM MARKS: THEORY: 60, TUTORIAL: 30
MINIMUM MARKS: THEORY: 24, TUTORIAL: 12

Course Objectives:

The course seeks to develop among the students a fundamental understanding of the concept and evolution religion besides its impact on social behaviour. In terms of its content, the course focuses upon the primitive theories of religion and theoretical approaches in order to substantiate the student learning.

In totality course intends to achieve the following major objectives as:

- *To enable the students to understand the social connotations of religion.*
- *To familiarize the students with the various origin theories of religion besides the major sociological approaches to the study of religion.*
- *To enable the students to analyze the impact of religion on the social behaviour.*

Learning Outcomes

After finishing the course, the students are expected to possess a very good conceptual clarity about the religion, its evolution and impact on social behaviour. The students are also expected to be well acquainted with the fundamental sociological approaches to the study of religion.

Unit 1: Introduction

- a. Nature, Significance and Evolution
- b. Magic and Science
- c. Sacred and Profane

Unit 2: Forms of Religion

- a. Animism
- b. Naturism
- c. Totemism

Unit 3: Approaches to the Study of Religion

- a. Emile Durkheim
- b. Karl Marx
- c. Bryan Wilson

Unit 4: Religion and Emerging Issues

- a. Religious Diversity
- b. Religion and Communalism
- c. Secularism

TUTORIALS: PROJECT WORK/PRESENTATION/DEBATES/TERM PAPER (2 CREDITS)

TUTORIAL 1:

- a. Religious Diversity in India
- b. Secularism
- c. Religion is the opiate of the masses?

TUTORIAL II

- a. Religious Diversity and the tradition of tolerance in Kashmir
- b. Changes in the institution of Religion
- c. Secularization

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