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SOCIOLOGY
SYBA PAPER – II
SEMESTER III
CREDITS - 03
INDIAN SOCIETY: STRUCTURE AND CHANGE

Objectives

- To introduce students to the Indian Sociological traditions
- To familiarise students with the research traditions in Indian Sociology
- To acquaint students with the emerging issues in Indian society

(i) Perspectives on the study of Indian society (15 lectures)
   a. Indology (G. S. Ghurye)
   b. Structural functionalism (M N Srinivas).
   c. Dialectical Approach to Sociology (A R Desai)
   d. Non Brahminical Approach (B. R. Ambedkar)

(ii) Contemporary Sociologists: Selected readings (15 lectures)
   a. Sharmila Rege (Gender and Caste)
   b. Leela Dube (Kinship)
   c. Rowena Robinson (Religion)

(iii) Contemporary Challenges in Indian Society (15 lectures)
   a. Changing nature of caste mobilisation
   b. Resurgence of Ethnic identities
   c. Marginalised gender

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT - 20 MARKS
**Reading List**

Objectives

- To introduce students to the Nature and Implications of Social Development in India.
- To familiarize students with the theories of development

UNIT I Understanding Development (15 lectures)

a) Meaning and indices of Social Development
b) Theories of Development – Modernisation and Dependency theories
c) Neo-Liberal Economic approach/Capability Approach

UNIT II Measuring Development (15 lectures)

a) Indicators of Development - HDI
b) Survey method - Census in India
c) Case Study method – Kerala

UNIT III Globalization and the Crisis of Development (15 lectures)

a) Land Displacement
b) Forest Rights Act 2006 and its impact on the tribal community
c) Resistance Movements – Narmada Bachao Andolan
   ii) Jaitapur (Nuclear power) iii) Raigad & Gorai (SEZs)

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Reading List

10. Collective water management through water banks, July 2010. Clean India Journal,
SOCIOPY
SYBA PAPER III
SEMESTER III
CREDITS 03
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN INDIAN SOCIETY

Objectives

- To sensitize students to social concerns in Indian society.
- To enable students to critically analyze such concerns.

UNIT I Demographic Issues (15 Lectures)

a. Nature, Scope and Significance
b. Fertility, Mortality, Nuptiality – Concept and factors
c. Declining Sex Ratio – Causes and Measures
d. Migration as a Demographic Process - Causes and Consequences

UNIT II Health (15 Lectures)

a. Perspectives on Health – Functionalist, Interactionist and Feminist
b. Impact of Globalization in Health Care – Privatisation, Commercialisation
c. Medical Tourism
d. Medical Ethics
e. Surrogacy and Politics of Reproduction

UNIT III Crime & Injustice (15 Lectures)

a. Perspectives on Deviance – Functionalist, Interactionist, Feminist, Post-Modernist
b. Overview and Critique of the Criminal Justice System in India
c. Critical Assessment of Reform Measures
d. Policing in India

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Reading List


**Journals**

1. Journal of Medical Ethics, 1983, 9, 192-195
4. Kumar, Sanjeev.(2013). Historicizing the Khap Panchayats, Economic and Political Weekly, Feb 09
Objectives

• To introduce students to significant social issues in Indian society.
• To bring awareness and sensitivity among students towards contemporary social issues.
• To develop a critical outlook towards such issues.

UNIT 1 Mass Media: Issues and Representation (15 Lectures)

a. Perspectives on Media/ Media and Social Media
b. Impact of Media
c. Portrayal of Women in Media and Social Media
d. Media Ethics- Commercialization

UNIT 2 Urban Issues (15 Lectures)

a. Right to the City
b. Street Vendors & Hawkers, Impauperization
c. Redevelopment of Mill Lands and Dilapidated Buildings
d. Loss of Open Spaces, Slums and Slum Redevelopment

UNIT 3 Geriatric Care (15 Lectures)

a. Phenomenon of population Ageing
b. Old Age Homes, Senior Citizens Associations, Day Care Centers
c. Geriatric Care – Government Initiatives in India
d. Geriatric Care – Non-Government Initiatives in India

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Journals


5. Bhowmik K. Sharit, Saha, Debdulal (2012) STREET VENDING IN TEN CITIES IN INDIA. School of Management and Labour Studies Tata Institute of Social Sciences


