2018

SOCIOLOGY

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

General Instructions:

- (i) Write all the answers in the Answer Script.
- (ii) Attempt Part—A (Objective Questions) serially.
- (iii) Attempt all parts of a question together at one place.

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE) (*Marks* : 56)

SECTION—I

(Very short answer-type Questions)

(Marks: 28)

Answer the following questions in not more than 5 sentences each: $2 \times 14 = 28$

- **1.** Why was the Malthusian theory of population criticised?
- **2.** What is commodification?
- **3.** What is social inequality?

- **4.** Define the terms 'State'.
- **5.** Which was the first society to undergo industrialization?
- **6.** What are the functions of Nyaya Panchayats?
- 7. Define political party.
- 8. What is the main function of Interest Groups?
- **9.** Mention one reason for the migration of labourers.
- 10. What is disinvestment?
- 11. Define social movement.
- **12.** What is the theory of relative deprivation?
- 13. What are the main objectives of Dalit Movements?
- **14.** What were the main concerns of the tribes of North-East India in the post-independent period?

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SECTION—II

(Short answer-type Questions)

(Marks: 28)

Answer the following questions in not more than 8 sentences each: $4 \times 7 = 28$

15. (a) What is the theory of demographic transition?

Or

- (b) What is 'preventive checks' in the context of population growth?
- **16.** (a) What does the term 'globalization' include?

Or

- (b) Write on 'consumption' as a feature of capitalist society.
- **17.** (a) Define the term 'Adivasi'.

Or

- (b) Define Other Backward Classes.
- **18.** (a) How does the term 'secularism' in the Indian context differ from the Western concept?

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(b) Discuss 'regionalism' in Indian context.

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19. (a) How did British Colonialism change land relations in India?

Or

- (b) Write on forest policy in the colonial period in North-East India.
- 20. What are the main features of the Land Ceiling Act?
- 21. What is 'alienation' according to Karl Marx?

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE) (Marks : 24)

Answer the following questions:

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- **22.** Describe the common defining features of the caste system.
- 23. What is 'Sanskritization'?
- **24.** Write a note on the economic policy of liberalization in India.

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25. Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow:

The mass media include a wide variety of forms, including television, newspapers, films, magazines, radio, advertisements, video games and CDs. They are referred to as 'mass' media because they reach mass audiences—audiences comprised of very large numbers of people. They are sometimes referred to as mass communications. Mass media is part of our everyday life. In many middle class households across the country, people wake up only to put on the radio, switch on the television, look for the morning newspaper. The younger children of the same households may first glance at their mobile phones to check their missed calls. Plumbers, electricians, carpenters, painters and sundry other service providers in many urban centres have a mobile telephone where they can be easily contacted. Many shops in cities increasingly have a small television set. Customers who come in may exchange bits of conversation about the cricket match being telecasted or the film being shown. Indians abroad keep regular touch with friends and families back home over the Internet and the telephone. Migrants from working class populations in the cities are regularly in touch with their families in the villages over the phone. It is obvious that there has been a phenomenal expansion of mass communication of all kinds in recent years.

Questions:

(a)	What does mass media include?	1
(b)	Why is it referred to as 'mass media'?	1
(c)	What is the part of our everyday life?	1
(d)	What do many people of middle class households do when they wake up?	1
(e)	How do Indians abroad keep in touch with their families?	1
<i>(f)</i>	In what way the service providers can be easily contacted?	1
