

Semester-IV (2016-17)

PAPER I Perspectives on Indian Society

Unit-A

Conceptualising Indian Society: Historicity of Unity in Diversity- Forces of Unity in Modern India. Cultural Diversity : Regional, Linguistic, Religious and Tribal. Traditional and Modern Bases of Indian Society.

Unit-B

Indian Society Through Ages : Society in Ancient India, The Vedic Civilisation, Post-Vedic Society, Impact of Islam on Indian Society, Society in the British Period. People of India : Groups and Communities.

Unit-C

Perspectives in Studying Indian Family (A.M.Shah), Marriage (K.M. Kapadia), Kinship (Irawati Karve).

Perspectives on the Analysis of Caste System: Perspectives of Scriptures, Anthropological-Cultural Perspective- Caste as a Structural and Cultural Phenomenon.

Unit-D

Theoretical Perspectives in Indian Society : Indological/Textual Perspectives (G. S. Ghurye, Louis Dumont);

Structural-Functionalism Perspective (M.N. Srinivas, S.C. Dube);

Marxism Perspective (D.P. Mukherjee, A.R.Desai).

Unit-E

Civilisational Perspective (N.K. Bose, Surjeet Sinha).

Subaltern Perspective (B.R. Ambedkar, David Hardiman).

Tradition and Modernity in India, Problem of Nation Building : Secularism, Pluralism and Nation Building.

Current Debates on : Indigenisation of Sociology.

Essential Readings:

DeSouza, P.R. ed. 2000 Contemporary India-Transitions, New Delhi: Sage.

Dhanagare, D.N. 1993 : Themes and Perspectives in Indian Sociology, Jaipur- Rawat

Dube, S.C. 1973: Social Sciences in a Changing Society, Lucknow University Press. Dube, S.C. 1967 The Indian Village, London : Routledge, 1955,

Doshi, S.L. 2000, Bhartiya Samaj (Hindi), National Publishing House.

Dumont, Louis 1970 : Homo Hierarchicus: The Caste System and its Implications, New Delhi: Vikas.

Karve, Irawati 1961 : Hindu Society : An Interpretation, Poona : Deccan College,

Momin, A. R. 1996 : The Legacy of G.S. Ghurye : A Centennial Festschrift Popular Prakashan, Bombay.

Mukherjee, D.P. 1958 : Diversities, People's Publishing House, Delhi.

Oommen, T.K. and P.N. Mukherjee, (eds.) 1986 : Indian Sociology : Reflection and Introspections, Popular Prakashan, Bombay

Singh, K.S. 1992 : The People of India : An Introduction, Seagull books, Calcutta.

Singh, Y. 1986 : Indian Sociology : Social Conditioning and Emerging Concerns, Delhi : Vistaar.

Singh, Y. 1973 : Modernisation of Indian Tradition, Delhi, Thomson Press.

Srinivas, M.N. 1960 : India's Villages Asia Publishing House, Bombay.

Tylor, Stephen : India : An Anthropological Perspective.

Mukherjee, R.N., Bhartiya Samaj Aur Sanskriti, Vivek Prakashan, Delhi.

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Lannoy, Richard 1971: The Speaking Tree, A. Study of Indian Culture and Society London, Oxford University Press.

Marriot, McKim 1990 : India Through Hindu Categories, Sage, Delhi.

Mohan, R.P. and A.S. Wilke, eds 1994. International Handbook of Contemporary Developments in Sociology, London, Mansell.

Singer, Milton and Bernard Cohn. 1968. Structure and Change in Indian Society, Chicago: Aldine Publishing Company.

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Pedagogy:

Audio-visual methods should be used. Wherever possible, illustrations should be drawn from the State/region.

