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(08) Sociology - I, II

Three hours

Sociology - Paper I

Additional Reading Time - 10 minutes

Use **additional reading time** to go through the question paper, select the questions and decide on the questions that you give priority in answering.

Note :

- * Answer **all** questions. This paper carries **40** marks.
- * In each of the questions from **1** to **40**, pick one of the alternatives (1), (2), (3), (4) which is **correct or most appropriate**.
- * **Mark a cross (x) on the number corresponding to your choice in the answer sheet provided.** Further instructions are given on the back of the answer sheet. Follow them carefully.

1. What is the main reason for the subject Sociology to develop in different directions?
 - (1) built on theory
 - (2) practical approach
 - (3) having various concepts
 - (4) social behaviour
2. What is the concept Emile Durkheim introduced in describing society?
 - (1) anomie
 - (2) economic determinism
 - (3) bureaucracy
 - (4) social dynamics
3. What is the option that has only the facts George Ritzer mentioned in changing the traditional European Society to modern society?
 - (1) globalization, rise of socialism, political reforms
 - (2) rise of feudalism, industrial revolution, religious reforms
 - (3) urbanization, rise of capitalism, westernisation
 - (4) urbanization, industrial revolution, development of science
4. The column 'X' has some basic concepts of sociology, while the column 'Y' has some central teachings of Buddhist Philosophy.

'X'	'Y'
i. Social control	A – impermanency
ii. Status and role	B – wholesome and unwholesome acts (<i>Kusal</i> and <i>Akusal</i>)
iii. Social change	C – <i>Sadisā namaskarāyā</i>

What is the answer when the concepts in coloum 'X' matched respectively with the teachings in Column 'Y' ?

- (1) A, C and B (2) B, C and A (3) C, A and B (4) C, B and A

5. What are the two main concepts identified as the basis of Buddhist Sociology?
(1) theory and application (2) secularism and spirituality
(3) philosophy and behaviour (4) biological and natural
6. Which right is protected, if behaviour is adopted according to 'Pānāthipāthā Veramani Sikkhāpadan Samādiyāmi'?
(1) use of property
(2) knowing correct information
(3) living without fear
(4) protecting individual and social well being
7. According to Buddhist teachings, the basis of Buddhist Social Stratification is,
(1) jāti. (2) caste. (3) gender. (4) action.
8. What is the most correct option of the following for social change?
(1) short term changes in the environment
(2) long-term changes of humans
(3) the totality of relative changes among living beings
(4) the totality of continuous long-term changes
9. What is the era of present society, according to Karl Marx's analysis of social evolution?
(1) capitalist era (2) feudal era
(3) slave era (4) communist era
10. What is the Sutta that teaches how to manage properly earned money?
(1) *Kutadanta sutta* (2) *Parābhava sutta*
(3) *Vasala sutta* (4) *Sigalovada sutta*
- Use the following social characteristics in answering questions No. 11 and 12.
- A - Live depending on myths
B - Organize social control systems centered on a legal system
C - Engage in a production economic system based on profit and division of labour
D - Act logically and creatively based on scientific knowledge
E - Fulfil all the requirements / needs within the group itself
F - Act based on customs and traditions
11. What is the option that has only the basic characteristics of primitive societies?
(1) A, B, C (2) A, E, F (3) B, D, E (4) B, E, F
12. What is the option that has only the social characteristics of modern societies?
(1) A, C, D (2) B, C, D (3) B, D, E (4) C, D, F
13. The most valuable quality of a citizen living in a multicultural society is,
(1) respecting the other cultures.
(2) respecting only the culture of the majority.
(3) promoting inter-religious marriages.
(4) converting to other religions.

23. What is the Buddhist Sutta that describes the concept of democratic rule?

- (1) *Mahā Mangala Sutta* (2) *Agganā Sutta*
(3) *Vasala Sutta* (4) *Kālāma Sutta*

24. In column 'X' the titles of the books that contain the information of traditional Sri Lankan society and in Column 'Y' the names of the authors are mentioned.

'X'

'Y'

- i. An Historical Relation of the Island of Ceylon (*Eda Heladiva*) A - Nandadewa Wijesekara
ii. The Sinhalese (*Lanka Janathawa*) B - Baddegama Wimalawansa Thero
iii. Our Culture (*Ape Sanskruthiya*) C - Robert Knox

What is the answer when the authors in Column 'Y' matched respectively with the books in Column 'X'?

- (1) A, C and B (2) B, C and A (3) C, A and B (4) C, B and A

25. What is the highest judiciary in Sri Lanka?

- (1) Supreme Court (2) District Court (3) High Court (4) Appeal Court

● Use the following characteristics to answer questions No. 26 and 27.

- A - Customs
B - Constitution
C - Morals
D - The Privena Education Act
E - Traditions
F - Penal Code

26. What is the option that has only the informal social control methods?

- (1) A, B and C (2) A, C and E (3) B, D and E (4) C, E and F

27. What is the option that has only the formal control methods?

- (1) A, C and D (2) A, D and F (3) B, D and F (4) D, E and F

28. What is the institution that has the responsibility to punish the offender and release the innocent after hearing the case?

- (1) Police (2) The Prison (3) The Parliament (4) Court

29. What is the most suitable meditation method to develop self-control by removing *Vyāpāda* among five hindrances?

- (1) *Buddhanussati* (2) *Mettanussati* (3) *Asubhānussati* (4) *Maranānussati*

30. When your fundamental rights are violated you have to go to complain to,

- (1) Supreme Court. (2) District Court.
(3) High Court. (4) Provincial High Court.

31. What is the option that has the offences belong to civil law?
- (1) murders, child abuse, marital issues
 - (2) murders, child abuse, robbery
 - (3) marital issues, inheritance issues, land disputes
 - (4) marital issues, child abuse, robbery
32. The Attorney General, the Chief Legal Officer in Sri Lanka is appointed by,
- (1) The Minister of Justice.
 - (2) The Parliament.
 - (3) The Judicial Services Commission.
 - (4) The President.
33. The main duty of the sociologist against social issues is,
- (1) providing solutions to social issues.
 - (2) educating society about social issues.
 - (3) creating knowledge by studying social issues.
 - (4) preventing social issues occurring.
34. What is the factor that has made getting higher education a social issue?
- (1) not creating job opportunities that match with education
 - (2) have to spend a lot of time for higher education
 - (3) have to spend a lot of money on higher education
 - (4) not having a social acceptance for the certificate of education
35. What is the main factor that affects harmfully on the human environment among the following facts?
- (1) religious beliefs and rituals
 - (2) expansion of illnesses and epidemics
 - (3) security of the habitats of living beings
 - (4) environmental conservation activities
36. If a close friend is trying to tempt you to use drugs, the best thing you should do to prevent yourself from it is,
- (1) avoid the friend.
 - (2) unfriend him.
 - (3) agree once as he become unfriendly.
 - (4) reject it thoroughly.
37. What is the main aim of a person leading a life happily and refreshingly, avoiding drugs and serious illnesses such as HIV Aids?
- (1) to have biological well being
 - (2) to maintain physical fitness
 - (3) to lead a quality life
 - (4) to lead a harmonious life

- Answer questions from No. 38 to 40 considering the incident given below.

The class teacher understood that it is very difficult to retain one child in the classroom among 35 students who is in Grade 06 in a Pirivena in the town which has classes from Grades 6 - 13. So, he decided to study the child's behaviour when the child is among other students. Accordingly, the teacher has planned to implement following methodologies.

- A - Studying by the teacher himself how the child is engaged in learning and other activities in the classroom.
 - B - Finding out about missing the home work and how the child works with the other students.
 - C - Finding out how the child engages in sports and other co-curricular activities without his knowledge.
 - D - Getting information from the mother and other family members.
38. What is the data collection method the teacher uses to collect data in activity given in 'A' ?
- (1) Questionnaire
 - (2) Interview
 - (3) Participant Observation
 - (4) Direct Observation
39. Which data collection method should be used to collect data in 'C' ?
- (1) Indirect Observation
 - (2) Interview
 - (3) Participant Observation
 - (4) Direct Observation
40. What is the most suitable data collection method to be used to collect data from the group mentioned in 'D'?
- (1) Questionnaire
 - (2) Interview
 - (3) Participant Observation
 - (4) Indirect Observation

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Sociology - Paper II

* Answer **five** questions only including question No. 1 and selecting **four** others.

1. (i) Name **two** main social institutions.
(ii) Write the **two** types of social development according to Buddhism.
(iii) Write **two** factors that affect social change.
(iv) Mention **two** characteristics of modernization described by sociologists.
(v) Mention **two** features added to Sri Lankan culture by the influence of Christian culture.
(vi) Mention **two** norms that you should follow when entering a Buddhist temple.
(vii) Write **two** factors that made Sri Lankan society a plural society.
(viii) State **two** institutions that are established to implement law.
(ix) State **two** facts the Buddhist teachings mention in prevention of occurring an ethnic conflict.
(x) Write **two** basic steps to be followed when planning a research. (02 × 10 = 20 marks)
2. (i) Write in your own words the relationship between 'role and status'. (02 marks)
(ii) State **three** agents of socialization. (03 marks)
(iii) Explain the cause and effect relationship between poverty and a factor that cause poverty. (05 marks)
3. (i) Write the **two** main stages of social development. (02 marks)
(ii) Mention **three** changes that take place in society due to urbanization. (03 marks)
(iii) Evaluate the significance of practicing *dasa raja dhamma* by rulers for a country's development using **two** facts mentioned there. (05 marks)
4. (i) Name **two** pioneering scholars who developed the system of education in Sri Lanka. (02 marks)
(ii) Mention **three** main cultural elements of Islamic culture. (03 marks)
(iii) Explain **two** changes introduced to Sri Lankan culture due to the arrival of Arahant Mahinda Thero. (05 marks)
5. (i) State the **two** specific approaches that Buddhism has trained the society to have equity and justice. (02 marks)
(ii) Write **three** advantages gained by the society in following four divine abodes (*sathara brahma viharana*). (03 marks)
(iii) Explain using **two** facts the importance of employer-employee relationship as given in the concept of *Sadisa* in *Sigālovāda Sutta*. (05 marks)

6. (i) Mention **two** reasons why social control is necessary. (02 marks)
- (ii) Mention **three** powers of punishment given to the regional rulers in ancient rural society of Sri Lanka. (03 marks)
- (iii) Explain with reference to **two** facts, how the paintings of the heaven and the hell in the temple act as an agent of social control. (05 marks)
7. (i) Mention **two** social issues identified by the social anthropologists. (02 marks)
- (ii) Write **three** reasons why people commit suicide. (03 marks)
- (iii) Briefly describe **two** ways the Buddhist teachings can help resolving social issues. (05 marks)
8. (i) Name the **two** main objectives of sociological research. (02 marks)
- (ii) State **three** written sources that are used to collect information in a research. (03 marks)
- (iii) State **two** facts that the attention should be paid in preparing the research report and briefly explain those. (05 marks)

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