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BA (GENERAL) CORE COURSE 1

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

Objective:

The mandate of the course is to introduce the discipline to students from diverse trainings and capabilities. The course is intended to introduce the students to a sociological way of thinking. It also provides a foundation for the other more detailed and specialized courses in sociology.

Outline:

1. Sociology: Discipline and Perspective

- a. Meaning of Sociology
- b. Scope and Significance of Sociology
- c. Thinking Sociologically
- d. Emergence of Sociology and Social Anthropology

2. Sociology and Other Social Sciences

- a. Sociology & History
- b. Sociology & Psychology
- c. Sociology & Economics
- d. Sociology & Political Science

3. Basic Concepts

- a. Individual and Group
- b. Associations and Institutions
- c. Social Control and Change
- d. Status and Role

4. Social Institutions

- **a.** Family
- b. Religion
- c. Education
- d. Politics

5. Social Stratification

- a. Caste
- b. Class
- c. Gender
- d. Ethnicity

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B.A (General) CORE COURSE 02

Sociology of India

Objective:

This paper aims to provide an outline of the institutions and processes of Indian society. The central objective is to encourage students to view the Indian reality through a sociological lens.

Outline:

1. Idea of India:

- a. Gandhi
- b. Nehru
- c. Ambedkar
- d. Unity in Diversity

2. Caste

- a. Concept and Characteristics features
- b. Transformation of Caste system
- c. Mobility in Caste
- d. Caste and Politics

3. Tribe

- a. Concept and Definition
- b. Distribution and concentration of Tribal people
- c. Problems and Issues Tribal people in India
- d. Approaches to Tribal problems

4. Social Change

- a. Tradition to Modernity
- b. Urbanization
- c. Changes in role and status of women
- d. Role of Technology in change

5. Challenges to State and Society

- a. Secularism
- b. Development and Displacement
- c. Educated Unemployment
- d. Nation-building

Readings:

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- 17. Madan, T.N., 1997, *Modern Myths, Locked Minds*, Delhi: Oxford University Press, Pp.233-265
- 18. Oommen, T. K., 1997, *Citizenship and National identity: From Colonialism to Globalism*. New Delhi: Sage Publications, pp.143-172.

B.A (General) CORE COURSE 03

Sociological Theories

Objective:

The course introduces the students to the classical sociological thinkers, whose work has shaped the discipline of sociology.

Outline:

1. Auguste Comte

- a) Intellectual background
- b) Social Static and Social Dynamic
- c) Law of Human Progress

2. Herbert Spencer

- a) Science and society
- b) Organic Analogy
- c) Social Types: Military and Industrial

3. Karl Marx

- a) Materialist Conception of History
- b) Class and Class Struggle
- c) Alienation

4. Emile Durkheim

- a) Rules of Sociological Methods; Social Fact
- b) Functional analysis of society; Division of labour in society
- c) Theory of Religion; The sacred and Profane; totemism

5. Max Weber

- a) Ideal Types and Social Action
- b) Types of Authority
- c) Bureaucracy

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B.A (General) CORE COURSE 04

Methods of Sociological Enquiry

Objective: The course is a general introduction to the methodologies of sociological research methods. It will provide the student with some elementary knowledge of the complexities and philosophical underpinnings of research.

Outline:

1. The Logic of Social Research

- a. Science and Logic
- b. Characteristics of Scientific Research
- c. Objectivity in Social Science
- d. Value-neutrality

2. Types of Research

- a. Basic and Applied
- b. Historical
- c. Empirical
- d. Descriptive

3. Approaches to Research

- a. Qualitative
- b. Quantitative
- c. Mixed
- d. Ethnomethodology

4. Ethnographic Field Strategies

- a. The Attitude of the Ethnographer
- b. Watching, Listening and Learning
- c. Field Notes
- d. Analysing Ethnographic Data

5. Ethical Issues

- a. Research Ethics in Historical Perspective
- b. Regulations on the Research Process
- c. Ethical Codes
- d. Validity and truth

Suggested Readings:

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BA (General) Discipline Specific Elective 01

Religion and Society

Objective:

This course acquaints students with a sociological understanding of religion. It examines some forms of religion in India and its role in modern society.

Outline:

1. Understanding Religion

- a) Sociology of Religion: Meaning and Scope
- b) Concept and definitions of Religion
- c. Functions

2. Sociological Perspectives on Religion

- a. Functional
- b. Conflict
- c. Interactionist

3. Religions in India

- a. Hinduism
- b. Islam
- c. Christianity
- d. Buddhism

4. Challenges to Religion

- a. Secularism
- b. Communalism
- c. Fundamentalism

5. Religion and society: contemporary issues

- a. Gobalization and Religion
- b. Religion and Women
- c. New Religious Movements

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- 2. Berger. 1967. The Sacred Canopy. Garden City: New York, pp175-186.
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Discipline Specific Elective 02

Marriage, Family and Kinship

Course Objective: This course aims to highlight and critically examine contemporary concerns in the fields of marriage, family and kinship. It considers theoretical issues and ethnographies with particular emphasis on diversity of practices.

Outline:

1. Family

- a. Concept and forms
- b. Changing pattern
- c. Future of the family
- d. Inter generational conflict and Youth unrest

2. Marriage

- a. Forms of marriage
- b. Rules of Restriction
- c. Change and present situation
- d. Traditional forms of marriage

3. Kinship

- a. Affinal and Consanguineous Kinship
- b. Primary, Secondary and Tertiary kins
- b. Kinship usages
- d. Regional variations

4. Key Concepts

- a. Descent and Lineage
- b. Clan and Filiation
- c. Incest Taboo
- d. Residence

5. Contemporary Issues

- a. Choice and Regulation in Marriage
- b. Power and Discrimination in the Family
- c. New Reproductive Technologies

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BA (General) Discipline Specific Elective 03

Social Stratification

Objective: The course introduces the student to various ideas of Social inequality and their sociological study. The different forms and institutional manifestations of social stratification are explored here both theoretically and through case studies.

Outline:

Unit 1: Introduction

- a. Concept, meaning and Characteristics
- b. Significance
- c. Functions
- d. Consequences

Unit 2: Theories

- a. Marx: Class
- b. Max Weber: Class, Status and Power
- c. Pierre Bourdieu: Forms of Capital
- d. Feminist Theory

Unit 3: Identities and Inequalities

- a. Age
- b. Gender
- c. Race
- d. Ethnicity

Unit 4: Mobility and Social Reproduction

- a. Types of Social Mobility
- b. Cultural and Social Reproduction
- c. Westernisation
- d. Modernisation

Unit 5: Traditional Naga Social Stratification

- a. Warriors
- b. Feast of Merit
- c. Chieftains
- d. Gender and Age

Suggested Readings:

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BA (General) Discipline Specific Elective 04

Gender and Sexuality

Objective:

This course aims to introduce students to a basic understanding of gender by interrogating the categories of gender, sex and sexuality. The complexity of gender relations in contemporary societies are further explored by looking in the areas of work and family.

Outline:

1. Gendering Sociology

- a) Why Gender Matters
- b) Understanding Gender
- c) Types of gender

2. Gender as a Social Construct

- a) Gender and Sex
- b. Sexuality: The queer debate
- b) Production of gender and sexuality

3. Gender: Differences and Inequalities

- a) Class and gender
- b. Caste and gender
- b) Family and gender

4. Feminist Movement in India

- a) Pre-Independence
- b) Post-Independence

5. Contemporary Challenges

- a) Gay Rights
- b) Mainstreaming gender
- c) Gender Equality

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BA (General) Generic Elective 01

Polity and Society in India

Objective:

This course seeks to introduce the students to the study of Indian politics from a sociological Perspective. In the process, it attempts to give the students theories, categories and conceptual tools to understand politics in relation to society in general.

Outline:

1. On Studying Politics and Society in India

- a) Terrorism
- b) Environmental Issues

2. Political Economy

- a) Globalization
- b) World Trade Organization (WTO)
- c) International Monetary Fund (IMF)

3. Political Identities

- a) Ethnicity
- b) Regionalism
- c) Nationalism

4. Political Institutions and Democratic Processes

- a) State as political institutions; Legislative, Executive and Judiciary
- b) Political Parties; meaning of political parties, types of party
- c) Electoral Processes
- d) Electoral Reforms

5. Protest and Resistance in Indian Politics

- a) Insurgency
- b) Pressure Groups
- c) Communalism

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BA (General) Generic Elective 02

Economy and Society

Objective:

The course introduces the students to the complex ways in which economic activity is embedded in social relations form a sociological view point.

Outline:

- 1. Introduction:
- a. Significance of the study
- b. Relationship between Economy and Society

2. Sociological Aspects of Economic Phenomenon

- a) Approaches: Formalism and Substantivism
- b) Sociological Aspect of Economic Processes

3. Modes of Production

- a) Domestic Mode of Production
- b) Feudal
- c) Capitalism
- d) Socialism

4. Socio-economic System

- a) Agrarian Economy
- b) Industrial Economy
- c) Mixed Economy

5. Contemporary Issues

- a) Globalization
- b) Unemployment
- c) Corruption
- d) Development

- 1. Howes, David (ed) 1996 Cross Cultural Consumption: global Markets and Local Realities. London: Routledge, pp. 1-16
- 2. Hulme, David and mark M. Turner Sociology and Development: Theories, Policies and Practices, Prentice Hall Chapter-3 pp. 33-67
- 3. Polanyi, K. 1958. "Economy as an Instituted Process" in M. Grammotter and R. Swedberg (eds.) 1992. The Sociology of Economic Life Boulder Colarado, West View Press. pp. 27-50
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BA (General)

Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC 01)

Techniques of Social Research

Objective:

This course aims to enhance the skills of students to understand and use techniques employed by social scientists to investigate social phenomena. With emphasis on formulating research design, methods of data collection, and data analysis, it will provide students with some elementary knowledge on how to conduct both, quantitative and qualitative research. The focus is on understanding through suggested exercises

Outline:

1. Techniques of Data Collection

- a. Observation
- b. Ouestionnaire and Interview schedule
- c. Survey
- d. Case study

2. Content Analysis

- a. Meaning and Concept
- b. Communication components
- c. Units, Class and Categories
- d. Strength and Weakness of the Content Analysis

3. Problem Formation and Developing Research Questions

- a. Components in Research
- b. Sources of Selecting Research Topics
- c. Operationalising Concepts
- d. Formulating Research Questions

Suggested Readings:

- 1. Amir B. Marvasti (2004), Qualitative Research in Sociology, London: Sage.
- 2. Baker, Therese L. (1988), Doing social research. McGraw-Hill College, 1988.
- 3. Béteille, A. 2002, *Sociology: Essays on Approach and Method*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- 4. Beteille, A. and T. N. Madan; 1975; *Encounters and Experience: Personal Accounts of Fieldwork*; New Delhi; Vikas Publishing House.
- 5. Blalock, H. M. 1979. Social Statistics. McGraw-Hill Book Company.
- 6. Bryman, A. 2008, Social Research Methods, Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- 7. Cauvery, R et.al; 2003; Research Methodology; New Delhi; S. Chand and Company Ltd.

- 8. Creswell, John W. (1994), Research design: Qualitative & quantitative approaches. Sage Publications, Inc.
- 9. Dooley, David; 2007; Social Research Methods (Fourth edition); New Delhi; Prentice Hall of India.
- 10. Ghosh, B. N; 1985; *Scientific Methods and Social Research*; New Delhi; Sterling Publishers Pvt.Ltd.
- 11. Goode, W. E. and P. K. Hatt. 1952. Methods in Social Research. New York: McGraw Hill.
- 12. Goode, William J. and Paul K. Hatt; 1987; *Methods in Social Research*; London: Mc Graw Hill Books Company
- 13. Gupta, S. P. (2007). Elementary Statistical Methods. Sultan Chand & Sons.
- 14. Kothari, C.R; 2005; *Research Methodology. Methods and Techniques*; New Delhi; New Age International (P) Limited Publishers.
- 15. Kumar, Ranjit; 1999; Research Methodology: A step by Step Guide for Beginners; New Delhi; Sage Publications.
- 16. Lofland J. and Lofland L. 1984, *Analysing Social Settings: A Guide to Qualitative Observation and Experiment*, California: Wadsworth
- 17. Morgan, David L. 1996, "Focus Groups", Annual Review of Sociology
- 18. Srinivas, M.N. et. al. 2002(reprint), *The Fieldworker and the Field: Problems and Challenges in Sociological Investigation*, New Delhi: OUP, Introduction
- 19. Young, P.V; 1988; Scientific Social Surveys and Research; New Delhi; Prentice Hall of India

Suggested Assignments:

Techniques of Data Collection

- > Design a survey on factors effecting marriage choices of young people.
- ➤ Visit a shopping mall and observe the interaction between employees and customers/visitors. Identify themes based on your observation and prepare a questionnaire based on this experience.
- ➤ Visit the college canteen/ administrative office/a bus stop/ area outside the metro station and observe all that happens for an hour or more and write a descriptive note on it. Discussions on these notes to follow.
- ➤ Visit a police station/ hospital/court and spend a few hours observing the scene. Write a short essay on issues of access to the field, rapport building and your role as an ethnographer.

Content Analysis

- ➤ Choose a theme of your interest- for e.g., crime, technology environmental concerns or any other and look through the Sunday editorials of any national daily of the last 3 months to locate related articles.
- ➤ Do a content analysis of advertisements of any one consumer product/service, which have appeared over one year in a leading national daily.
- > Analyse the oral testimonies you have collected in Exercise.
- > Discuss the issues and challenges in using testimony as evidence.
- > Students will be provided with data sets to run them in a software program.

Framing a Research Questions

Choose a research question; identify statement(s), hypothesis and concepts. Operationalize concepts and match the methods and tools for data collection.

BA (General) Skill Enhancement Course 02

Gender Sensitization

Course Objective:

This course will sensitise students to issues related to gender and equality among all sexes. It will provide them with the tools and skills to develop and integrate a gendered perspective in work and life. In particular, students will be acquainted with laws that have an immediate bearing on gender relations.

Outline:

1. Sex, Gender and Sexuality

- a) Debates on the social construction of sex and gender
- b) Masculinity and femininity
- c) Understanding sexual preference as a right

2. Gender Rights and the Law

- a. gender and Social legislation
- b. Right to property
- c. Personal laws

3. Violence against women

- a) Sexual harassment
- b) Rape
- c) Domestic violence

- 1. Being Male Being Koti Dir: Mahuya Bandyopadhyay Many People Many Desires Dir: T. Jayashree; Boys Don't Cry Dir: Kimberley Peirce
- 2. Bhasin, Kamala. *Patriarchy*. New Delhi: Kali for Women
- 3. Geetha, V. 2002. Gender. Calcutta: Stree
- 4. Ghai, Anita. (2003). (*Dis*) Embodied Form: Issues of Disabled Women. New Delhi. Har-Anand Publications. (Selected chapters)
- 5. Menon, Nivedita. 2012. Seeing like a Feminist. New Delhi: Zubaan/Penguin Books
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- 7. Shah, Chayanika et al. 2005. Marriage, Family and Community: A Feminist Dialogue. *Economic and Political Weekly February 19: 709 -722*
- 8. Tharu, S. and Niranjana, T. 1999. "Problems for contemporary theory of gender" in Nivedita Menon, *Gender and Politics in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Suggested Assignments:

- a) Discussion around any two of the above-mentioned films. Students will be asked to write a short essay on the pressures they feel of the experience in performing masculinity or femininity.
- b) Presentations and discussions based around the essays.
- c) Role Play: Gender and its performance in everyday life. Students to form smaller groups and present skits to address this issue creatively. This will be followed by discussions.

Gender Rights and the Law

For all the laws relating to women please refer to the following resource: http://ncw.nic.in/frmLLawsRelatedtoWomen.aspx

B.A. (General) Skill Enhancement Course 03

Society through the Visual

Introduction

This course intends to train students in the specialized technique of conducting visual research and analysis of visual data. It focuses on the broad fields of Photography, Film and Multimedia as significant tools, used in contemporary research practices.

1. Introduction to the Sociological Study of the Visual

- 1.1 Mead, Margaret, 1995. 'Visual Anthropology in a Discipline of Words' in *Principles of Visual Anthropology* (Ed) Paul Hockings, Second Edition, Mouton de Gruyter, pp 3-10
- 1.2 Pink, Sarah. 2013. *Doing Visual Ethnography*, Sage Publications Limited, Chaps 1 and 2

2. Sociology and the Practice of Photography

- 2.1 Collier, John and Malcom Collier. 1986. *Visual Anthropology: Photography as a Research Method*, University of New Mexico Press, Chaps 1, 2 and 3.
- 2.2 Becker, Howard S. 'Visual Sociology, Documentary Photography, and Photojournalism: It's (Almost) All a Matter of Context' in *Image-Based Research: A sourcebook for Qualitative Researchers*, Jon Prosser ed., Falmer Press, pp. 74-85
- 2.3 Prosser, Jon & Dona Scwartz, 1998. 'Photographs within the Sociological Research Process' in Image-Based Research: A sourcebook for Qualitative Researchers, Jon Prosser ed., Falmer Press, pp. 101-115

3. Video and Film in Sociology.

- 3.1 Asch, Timothy and Patsy Asch, 1995. 'Film in Ethnographic Research' in *Principles of Visual Anthropology* (Ed) Paul Hockings, Second Edition, Mouton de Gruyter, pp. 335-362
- 3.2 MacDougall, David. 2011. 'Anthropological Filmmaking: An Empirical Art.' in *Sage Handbook of Visual Research Methods*, Eric Margolis & Luc Pauwels, (Ed) pp. 99-113
- 3.3 Schaeffer, Joseph H, 1995. 'Videotape: New Techniques of Observation and Analysis in Anthropology' in *Principles of Visual Anthropology* (Ed) Paul Hockings, Second Edition, Mouton de Gruyter, pp. 255-284

4. Sociology, Multimedia and Hypermedia

- 4.1 Harper, Douglas. 2012. Visual Sociology, Routledge, Chaps 7,8 and 9
- 4.2 Pink, Sarah. 2004. 'Conversing Anthropologically: Hypermedia as Anthropological Text' in Working Images: Visual Research and Representation in Ethnography, Sarah Pink et al. (Ed) Routledge, pp. 164-181
- 4.3 Lewis, Rob W. 'Media Convergence and Social Research: The Hathaway Project' in *Image-Based Research: A sourcebook for Qualitative Researchers*, Jon Prosser (Ed) Falmer Press, pp. 143-156

Note: The prescribed readings are application and practice oriented, providing guidelines for conducting Visual Research. The students will be expected to carry out short field research exercises based on these guidelines.

BA (General) Skill Enhancement Course 04

Theory and Practice of Development

Course Objective:

This course aims to familiarise students with the arguments of development theory in the decades of 80s onwards and equip them with some of the methodology in development practices adopted since then.

Course Outline:

1. Introducing Development:

- a. Concept and Definition
- b. Dimensions of development
- c. Significance of development
- d. Sociology of Development

2. Approaches to Development

- a. Social justice approach;
- b. Rights-based approach;
- c. Capabilities approach;
- d. Community-based approach.

3. Agencies of Development

- a. State
- b. NGOs
- c. Community
- d. Corporates

4. Contemporary Issues

- a. Gender and development
- b. Development and displacement
- c. Participatory development
- d. Sustainable development

Readings:

- 1. McMichael, Philip. *Development and Social Change*. Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Pine Forge Press, 2000. pp. 1-40
- 2. Emmerij, Louis. 2005. Turning Points in Development Thinking and Practice. Conference Paper
- 3. Meilink, Henk. 2003. Structural Adjustment Programmes on the African Continent: The theoretical foundations of IMF/World Bank reform policies. ASC Working paper No. 53. pp 1-29
- 4. Sparr, Pamela. (ed.) 1994. *Mortgaging Women's Lives: Feminist Critiques of Structural Adjustment*. London: Zed Books. pp 1-30

- 5. Sachs, Wolfgang. 2007(12th impression). *The Development Dictionary: A guide to Knowledge as Power*. London: Zed Books, Chap 1, 2 & pp 1-25, 264-274
- 6. Escobar, A. 2011. (Paperback ed.) *Encountering development: The making and unmaking of the Third World* Princeton: Princeton Press, Chap 2 & 6, pp 21-54, 212-226
- 7. Dipholo, Kenneth B. 2002. Trends in participatory development, *Journal of Social Development in Africa*, Vol 17. No.1, pp 59-79
- 8. Buse, Kent. & Harmer, Andrew. 2004. Power to the Partners? : The Politics of Public-Private Health Partnerships *Development*, 2004, 47(2), pp 49–56
- 9. Friere, Paulo. 1972. Pedagogy of the Oppressed. New York: Herder & Herder
- 10. Sen, Amartya. 1989. "Development as Capabilities Expansion." Journal of Development Planning 19:41-58.
- 11. Sen, Amartya. & Sudhir Anand. 1994. "Sustainable Human Development: Concepts and Priorities." Background Paper for the Human Development Report 1994. New York: Human Development Report Office.
- 12. Fukuda-Parr, Sakiko. 2003. The human development paradigm: Operationalizing Sen's ideas on Capabilities, *Feminist Economics* 9(2-3), 2003, 301-317

Exercises:

Exercise 1: A bedtime Story for Grown Ups

Case Study 1: Jayaweera, Swarna. 1994. Structural Adjustment Policies, Industrial development and Women in Sri Lanka in Pamela Sparr (ed) *Mortgaging Women's Lives: Feminist Critiques of Structural Adjustment*. London: Zed Books. pp 96-111

Exercise 2: Pass the Picture (from Stepping Stones, Action Aid Manual)

Exercise 3: Make a Gender Audit Report of any organization

Case Study 2: Participatory Urban Planning in Porto Alegre, Brazil

Exercise 3: Assess the JNNURM Plans of Delhi, Mumbai and Kolkata, Ref:

http://www.pria.org/Reforming_JNNURM.htm

Exercise 4: Assess the quality of a nearby school

Exercise 5: Assess the quality of health care services in an PHC

Case Study 3: Tint, Piia and Reinhold, Karin. 2008. Safety & health through Redesign of Garment Worker's Workplaces in Amita Sahaya (ed) Selected Readings IV International Congress Women Work and health New Delhi: WWHI

Websites of Organizations for exercises and Case studies:

- Family Planning Organization, UNDP, ILO, PRAXIS, PRIA-Participatory Research In Asia
- www.iclei.org, www.infochangeindia.org