

**U.P. HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES COMMISSION, ALLAHABAD**  
**SOCIOLOGY**  
**(Subject Code-41)**

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**Unit-1 :Sociological Concepts**

Nature of Sociology- Definition

Sociological Perspective

Basic Concepts-Community, Institution, Association, Culture

Norms and Values.

Social Structure “Meaning of Social Structure; Status and role, their interrelationship.

**Unit-2 :Social Group: Secondary, Formal – Informal, Ingroup – Outgroup, Reference group.**

Social Institutions : Marriage, Family, Economy Polity

**Unit-3:Social Stratification**

Social differentiation, Hierarchy and Inequality

Forms of stratification : Caste, Class, Gender, Ethnic

Theories of social stratification

Social mobility.

**Unit-4:Socialization-Meaning and agencies; Social change**

Concepts and Types : Evolution, Diffusion, Progress, Revolution, Transformation,

Change in structure and Change of structure

Theories : Dialectical and Cyclical.

**Unit-5:Structural-**

Radcliffe Brown

Levi – Strauss

Functional- Malinowski, Durkheim, Parsons, Merton

**Unit-6:Interactionist**

Social action : Max Weber, Pareto

Symbolic Interactionism : G. H. Mead, Blumer

**Unit-7:Conflict**

Karl Marx, Dahrendorf, Coser, Collins

**Unit-8: Phenomenology and Ethnomethodology**

Alfred Shultz, Peter Berger and Luckmann

Garfinkel and Goffman

Structuration and Post – Modernism

Giddens, Derrida, Foucault

Conceptualising Indian Society

Cultural diversity : Regional, linguistic, religious and tribal.

**Unit-9:Indian Sociology-**

Indological / Textual Perspective : G. S. Ghurye, Louis Dumont.

Structural – Functional Perspective : M.N. Srinivas, S. C. Dube.

Marxian Perspective : D. P. Mukherjee, A. R. Desai.

**Unit-10:Methodology**

Meaning and Nature of Social Research

The scientific method

Objectivity and subjectivity, fact and value.

**Unit-11:Quantitative Methods-**

Survey, Research Design and its types, Hypothesis

Sampling,

Techniques of data collection : Observation, Questionnaire, Schedule, Interview.

Qualitative Methods

Participant observation

Case study

Content analysis

Statistics in Social Research

Mean, Median, Mode

**Unit-12:Contemporary Issues : Developmental**

Regional disparity  
Displacement  
Ecological degradation and environmental pollution

**Unit-13:Current Debates**

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

**The Challenges of Globalisation**

Indianisation of Sociology

**Unit-14:Issues Pertaining to Deviance**

Deviance and its forms  
Crime and delinquency  
White collar crime and corruption ,  
Suicide  
Sociology of Development  
Conceptual Perspectives on Development :  
Human development  
Social development  
Sustainable development : Ecological and Social  
Modernisation, Globalisation

**Unit-15: Rural Sociology-**

Approaches to the study of Rural Society :  
Rural – Urban differences  
Peasant studies  
Agrarian Institutions-  
Land ownership and its types.  
Jajmani system and Jajmani relations.  
Agrarian class structure.  
Panchayati Raj System-  
Panchayat before and after 73rd Amendment.  
Agrarian unrest and Peasant movements.

**Unit-16: Industry and Society**

Industrial Society in the Classical Sociological Tradition :  
Division of labour  
Bureaucracy  
Alienation  
Industrialisation and Social Change in India :  
Impact of industrialization on family, education and stratification.  
Class and class conflict in industrial society.  
Obstacles to and limitations of industrialization.

**Unit-17: Population and Society**

Theories of Population Growth :  
Malthusian.  
Population Growth and Distribution in India :  
Determinants of population.  
Concepts of Fertility, Mortality, Morbidity and Migration :

**Unit-18: Gender and Society :**

Gender as a Social Construct, Patriarchy and Matriarchy, Theories of gender- Liberal, radical, post modernist; Gender and Development; women and development.

Paper setter are advised to select at least three questions from each unit, keeping in view the representatives of the syllabus.