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STUDY MATERIAL

UPSC Sociology Optional 2019 Paper II Previous Year Questions

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SECTION—A

1. Answer the following questions in about 150 words each (10x5=50)

(a)

Elaborate Srinivas's views on religion and society among the Coorgs.

10 Marks · Introducing Indian Society · Critically examine Yogendra Singh's thesis on 'Modernisation of Indian Tradition'. (2022 II/3a/20)

(b)

Illustrate the contributions of the Tebhaga Movement to the peasant struggle in India.

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Do you think that the decades of Dalit political mobilizations and movements have helped

(c)

Examine the changing initiatives of the land tenure system in India.

10 Marks · Social Structure: · (i) Rural and Agrarian Social Structure

(d)

Write a note on Ghurye's conception of caste in India.

10 Marks · Social Structure: · Is Indian society moving from "hierarchy" towards "differentiation"? Illustrate your

(e)

Comment on the growing assertion of tribal community for autonomy in India.

10 Marks · Social Structure: · Tribal Communities in India

2.

(a)

20 marks

Critically examine Dube's contributions to the study of Indian villages.

20 Marks · Social Structure: · (i) Rural and Agrarian Social Structure

(b)**20 marks**

What is caste politics? Substantiate your answer with examples of how identities are defined by caste dynamics.

20 Marks · Social Structure: · Is Indian society moving from “hierarchy” towards “differentiation”? Illustrate your**(c)****10 marks**

Do you think that the Indian saints have brought about social reform and awareness in Indian society? Explain.

10 Marks · Social Structure: · Religion and Society

3.**(a)****20 marks**

What is ethnonationalism? Examine the critical factors responsible for tribal discontent in India.

20 Marks · Social Structure: · Tribal Communities in India

(b)**20 marks**

Is industrial development in India a bane or a boon to agrarian class structure? Substantiate your answer with suitable examples.

20 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Industrialization and Urbanisation in India

(c)**10 marks**

Give an account of Ranajit Guha's approach in studying 'subaltern class'.

10 Marks · Introducing Indian Society · Critically examine Yogendra Singh's thesis on 'Modernisation of Indian Tradition'. (2022 II/3a/20)

4.**(a)****20 marks**

Define patriarchy. Does it have bearings on women's entitlement in Indian family system? Explain.

20 Marks · Social Structure: · Define the concepts of 'Descent' and 'Alliance'. Differentiate between North Indian and

(b)

20 marks

How do you understand the 'minority' question? Examine the violence and discrimination against the religious minorities in India.

20 Marks · Social Structure: · Religion and Society

(c)

10 marks

What do you understand by LGBTQ? Comment on the issues concerning their marriage rights.

10 Marks · Social Structure: · Define the concepts of 'Descent' and 'Alliance'. Differentiate between North Indian and

SECTION—B

5.

(a)

10 marks

Comment on the critical issues of commercialization of higher education in India.

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · "Educational development is the only Panacea for country's all ills and evils." Critically

(b)

10 marks

Discuss the challenges in implementing the Rural Development Programs in India.

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · What are the sociological reasons and implication of "reverse migration" during the

(c)

10 marks

Elaborate urbanism as a way of life in India.

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Industrialization and Urbanisation in India

(d)

20 marks

Comment on the changing democratic profile of India.

20 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Politics and Society

(e)

10 marks

Elucidate the concerns of growing urban displacement dynamism in India.5.

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Industrialization and Urbanisation in India

6.

(a)

20 marks

Examine the importance of Development Planning in Indian Mixed Economy and analyze its problems and prospects.

20 Marks · Social Changes in India: · "Educational development is the only Panacea for country's all ills and evils." Critically

(b)

20 marks

Highlight the main features of the 'Inter-linking of Rivers' project in India. What could be its probable advantages to Indian agriculture?

20 Marks · Social Changes in India: · What are the sociological reasons and implication of "reverse migration" during the

(c)

10 marks

Has reduction of green cover affected ecological degradation leading to global warming? Elaborate your answer with illustration.

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Challenges of Social Transformation

7.

(a)

20 marks

Do you think that 'demonetization' has accelerated the economic growth in India? How do you understand the informalization of labour, underemployment and gender discrimination in this context?

20 Marks · Social Changes in India: · "Educational development is the only Panacea for country's all ills and evils." Critically

(b)

20 marks

has a role to play here? Substantiate your answer with examples.

20 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Discuss the implications of 'Swachha Bharat Abhiyan'. Do you think that civil society

(c)

10 marks

Do you agree that social movements are caused by opportunity structures that are generated by media? Why?

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Do you think that the decodes of Dalit political mobilizations and movements have helped

8.

(a)

10 marks

Why has 'active aging' become a global goal? Do you agree that the role of elderly care- giving is disproportionately gendered in 1 developing countries? Why?

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Population Dynamics

(b)

20 marks

What is POSH Act? "Identification of tormentor by women at workplace does not come easily even today." Examine the statement with substantive examples from India.

20 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Challenges of Social Transformation

(c)

10 marks

What is 'social security'?Examine recent security measures adopted by the Government in India.

10 Marks · Social Changes in India: · Population Dynamics
