



PURNEA UNIVERSITY, PURNIA

Paper-I

Research Methodology + Sociology

Full Marks: 100

Duration of Examination: 2 Hours

Questions shall consist of 3 parts:

Part-A : Short Questions (06 in number of which 04 to be answered, each carrying 10 marks) = 40

Part-B : Long Answer Question (04 to be asked of which 02 to be answered, each carrying 30 marks) = 60

1. Introduction to Research: What is Research; Why is Research Conducted; Stages in Research; Changing Nature and Expanding Scope of Research; Why Research Methodology.
2. Introduction to Major Research Methods: Natural Observation; Historical Research; Ethnographic Research; Cross-Sectional Study; Longitudinal Study; Cohort Study; Case Study; Correlational Research; Action Research; Quantitative and Qualitative Research; theoretical research, applied research and empirical research; Experimental Research: Cause and Effect Relationships, Hypothesis in Experiments, Principles of Experimentation, Classification of Experiments, Experimental Design, Requirements of a Good Experiment; Reasoning in Research : Introduction to Logical Terms; Evidences; Inductive and Deductive Reasoning; Fallacious Reasoning; Formal and Informal Fallacies; Common Fallacies.
3. Research Design: Study designs in quantitative research; Study designs in qualitative research; Other commonly used philosophy-guided designs; Choice of Variables; Constructing hypotheses, Mechanisms and Design for Data Collection; Collection of Primary Data: Observation, Interview, questionnaire and schedule Sample Surveys and Designed Experiments, Estimation without Sampling, Methods of data collection in qualitative research; Collection of Secondary Data; Data Integration; Using Publications and the Library; Using Academic Databases: Search Engines, Citation Indexes and Citation Analysis, Government of India Initiatives for

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Knowledge Management- INFLIBNET; e-ShodhSindhu, Shodhganga, ShodhGangotri, and N-List Projects.

4. Data analysis: Statistical analysis; Thematic analysis; Analysing narrative; Discourse analysis; Content analysis; Grounded Theory; Using computers in data analysis.
5. Ethics and Related Issues in Research: Concepts in Ethics in Research; Intellectual Property Rights; Scientific Values: Needed a Code of Conduct; Fraud and Misconduct in Science; Plagiarism: What is Plagiarism, Acknowledge Sources Appropriately, Paraphrasing, Direct and Indirect Quotations, Plagiarism Checking: ShodhShuddhi, UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018, LNMU Plagiarism Policy and Regulations-2018.
6. Writing a Research Proposal: Introduction; The research problem; Objectives of the study; Hypotheses to be tested; Study design; Measurement procedures; Analysis of data; Structure of the report; Problems and limitations.
7. The Structure of a Thesis: Thesis Vs Dissertation; Parts of a Thesis; Preliminary Pages of a Thesis: Title Pages, Certificate Pages, Acknowledgements, Table of Contents, List of Tables, List of Figures, Dedication; The Subject Proper: Introduction, Review of Literature, Materials and Methods, Results, Analysis/ Discussion, Summary/Conclusion, References, Appendixes; The Abstract; Formatting Requirements of a Thesis: Margins, Page Numbering, Design and Formatting of Chapters, Numbering the Sections, Lay-Out of Tables, Language and Style, Typeface and Fonts, Paper and Text Spacing; Thesis Editing.

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Sociology  
Ph. D. Course Work Syllabus  
Paper-II  
Sociological Theories  
(Classical to Recent)

Outline of the syllabus

Paper II-Part- A: Sociological Theories (Classical to Recent)

Five units (80 marks)

Part-B: Research Proposal Presentation  
(20 marks)

Part- A

Unit-I

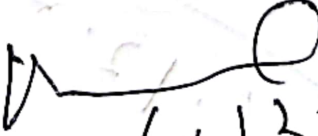
Classical Sociological Theories

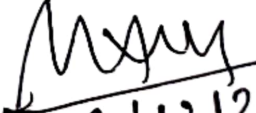
- i. Auguste Comte: Positivism
- ii. Herbert Spencer: Social Evolution
- iii. Emile Durkheim: Social Facts
- iv. Max Weber: Ideal Types

Unit- ii

Major Sociological Schools

- i. Functionalism
  - a. A. R. Radcliffe Brown
  - b. B. Malinowski
  - c. R. K. Murton
  - d. Talcott Parson
  - e. J. Alexander
- ii. Conflict Theory
  - a. G. W. F. Hegel
  - b. Karl Marx
  - c. R. Dahrendorf
  - d. L. Gumpowicz
  - e. L. Coser
  - f. L. Althusser
- iii. Symbolic Interactionalism
  - a. C. H. Cooley
  - b. G. H. Mead
  - c. H. Blumer
  - d. E. Goffman

  
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Unit- III

Recent Sociological Theories

- i. Phenomenology
  - a. E. Husserl
  - b. A. Schutz
- ii. Ethnomethodology
  - a. H. Garfinkel
  - b. D. Zimmerman
- iii. Micro-Macro Integration
  - a. G. Ritzer
  - b. J. Coleman
- iv. Agency- Structure Integration
  - a. P. Bourdieu
  - b. A. Giddens
- v. Post- Structuralism
  - a. M. Foucault
  - b. J. Derrida
- vi. Post- Modernism
  - a. F. Jameson
  - b. J. Baudrillard

Unit- IV

Feminist Theory

- i. Liberal Feminism
- ii. Radical Feminism
- iii. Marxist Feminism
- iv. Post- Modernism Feminism

Unit- V

Indian Perspective

- i. Indological
  - a. G.S. Ghurye
  - b. Louis Dumont
- ii. Structural- Functional
  - a. M. N. Srinivas
  - b. S.C. Dube
- iii. Marxian
  - a. A. R. Desai
  - b. D. P. Mukerji
- iv. Subaltern
  - a. B. R. Ambedkar
  - b. D. Hardiman
- v. Civilizational
  - a. N. K. Bose
  - b. Surajit Sinha

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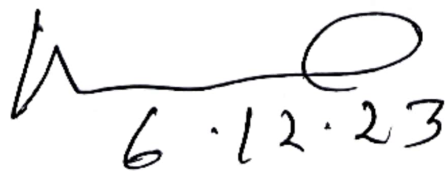
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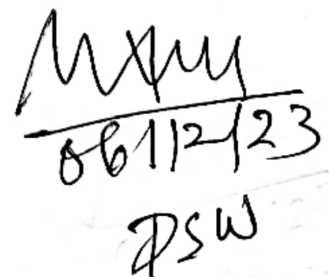
**Part-B Research Proposal**

Writing and presentation of research proposal related to doctoral research topic by way of power point presentation.

**Book Recommended**

1. Sociological Theory: George Ritzer
2. Master of Sociological Thought: Lewis A. Coser
3. Sociological Thought: F. Abraham and J.H. Morgan
4. Sociological Theory: N. S. Timasheff
5. History of Social Thoughts (Hindi): G. R. P. Singh
6. Sociological Theory (Hindi): N. K. Singhi
7. Modernity, Post- Modernity and Neo- Sociological Theories (Hindi): S.L. Doshi
8. Sociological Theory (Hindi): P.N. Pandey

  
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