SOCIOLOGY

Major-2/Minor-2: Indian Society: Continuity and Change

UNIT-I – Introduction

- a. Nature and importance of studying Indian society
- b. Evolution of Indian society: socio cultural dimensions
- c. Geographical and historical features
- d. Unity in diversity: Threats and Challenges

UNIT-II – Theoretical Perspectives

- a. Structural functionalism (M N Srinivas, S C Dube, McKim Marriott)
- b. Indological or textual perspectives (Radha Kamal Mukherjee, G S Ghurye, Louis Dumant)
- c. Marxist Perspective: D P Mukherjee, A R Desai, Ramakrishna Mukherjee
- d. Subaltern perspectives: B. R Ambedkar, Ranjit Guha, David Hardiman

UNIT-III – Marriage, Family and Kinship

- a. Marriage & family among Hindus
- b. Marriage and family among Muslims and Christians
- c. Basic concepts of kinship: incest, affiliations, consanguinity, affinity, clan, lineage, kindred and descent.
- d. Kinship organizations in India: Regional Variations
- e. Changes and challenges to the Marriage and Family

UNIT-IV - Caste and class in India

- a. Evolution of caste: Vedic period, Smriti's period, Medieval and modern period
- b. Caste among non-Hindus
- c. Are caste opposite of classes
- d. Changes in caste and class relations
- e. Theories of Origin of Caste (Risley, Dumant, Ghurye and Hutton)

UNIT-V – Contemporary discourses

- a. Contextualization
- b. Indigenization
- c. Use of native categories in the analysis of Indian society
- d. Sociology For India
- e. Sociology Of India

Book references:

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 Culture and society in India
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 Structure of Hindu Society

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8. Atal Yogesh
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:Oxford Handbook of Sociology
:Indian Sociological Thought
:Marriage and Family in India
:Changing Indian Society

9. K L Sharma :Indian Social Structure And Change

10. Ram Ahuja :Society in India – Concepts, Theories And Recent Trends

11. Patricia Uberoi :Family, Kinship and Marriage in India

12. M N Srinivas :Social Change in Modern India