

PG Semester-III End Semester Examinations, 2021

Social Work

Course Title: Contemporary Social Thoughts

Course Code: PG/SW/301(Core)

Course ID: 32851

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 80

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
The figures in the right-hand side of the margin indicate marks.*

Answer any five from the following questions:

16X5=80

1. Write a critical essay on functionalism. 16
2. What do you understand by social deviance? Discuss Robert K Merton's theory of deviance. 4+ 12 = 16
3. What is 'social contract' theory? Make a comparative analysis of 'social contract' theory with reference to Thomas Hobbes and Jean Jacques Rousseau. 4+12= 16
4. Write a critical essay on Benedict Anderson's idea of nation and nationalism. 16
5. With reference to Michel Foucault, explain the relationship between power and knowledge. 16
6. What is 'class struggle'? Write a note on Marxist criticism of capitalism. 6 +10= 16
7. What do you understand by democracy? Discuss with examples the threats faced by democracy today. 6+10= 16
8. Write short notes on any two of the following topics : 8 x 2 = 16
 - a. Ideology
 - b. Social stratification
 - c. Elite Theory
 - d. Dialectical Materialism