

XII SOCIOLOGY QUESTION BANK 2014-15

1. What do you mean by society and social structure?
2. How is the community identity formed?
3. What is accommodation?
4. What is self-reflexivity?
5. Define the terms – Census, density of population, depending ratio, maternal mortality rate, total fertility rate, age structure, sex ratio, life expectancy.
6. What does Emile Durkheim state in a report after survey of different countries in the world?
7. Why is distinction made between formal and social demography?
8. What are the chief characteristics of Malthusian theory of population growth?
9. How were Malthus' predictions proved false by the end of the first quarter of the 20th century in Europe?
10. What are the three basic phases of population growth as per the theory of demographic transition?
11. Why the death rate and birth rate decline simultaneously?
12. What is replacement level of growth rate?
13. What is a negative growth rate of population?
14. Why is fertility rate a crude rate?
15. What are the characteristics of Malthusian approach to population?
16. Why is dependency ratio still high in our country?
17. Why did Malthus believe that catastrophic events like famines and epidemics that cause mass death were inevitable?
18. Do you think the changing age structure will offer a demographic dividend for India?
19. Write the main indicators of social and demographic characteristics of India's population.
20. What is meant by the age structure of the population? Why is it relevant for economic development and growth?
21. Write an essay on the demographic structure of the Indian society?
22. Apart from formal demography, data should be collected by taking in view social issues circumstances and a number of other factors under social demography discuss.

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1. What is entertainment revolution?
2. What is cultural modernization?
3. What do you understand by the term local culture?
4. Trace out the changes that have been occurring in the newspaper industry?
What is your opinion on these changes?
5. Is radio as a medium of mass communication dying out? Discuss the potential that FM Stations have in post liberalization India?
6. Trace the changes that have been happening in the medium of television?
7. What are the functions of mass media?
8. Highlight the distinctions between print media and audio visual media.
9. How a social movement does take its shape?
10. Under what types of situations the social movements emerge?
11. In India it is difficult to make a clear distinction between the old and new social movements? Explain.
12. Write a note on women's movement.
13. Write a short note on tribal movements.
14. Environmental movements generally contain economic and identity issues?
15. Discuss the origin and source of social movements.
16. How would you classify social movements?
17. Highlight the role of tribal movements in maintaining their cultural and social identity?
18. Highlight the nature and features of peasant's movements in India?
19. Discuss the role of women in bringing about social changes and awareness.
20. Write about the consequences of dalit movement?

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- 1 write 2 merits of caste system?
- 2 write the major changes that took place in caste system during colonial period?
- 3 discuss the terms 'sanskritisation' & 'dominant' caste coined by MN srinivas?
- 4 what evidence would you offer against the view that tribes are primitive communities
living isolated lived untouched by civilization?
- 5 in what ways can changes in social structure lead to change in the family structure?
- 6 describe the constitutional provisions that safeguard the interests of the sc in India?
- 7 discuss why is tribal population in India declining since last 3 decades?
- 8 who were adivasis? write the social structure of adivasis?
- 9 how were weekly tribal market socially embedded?
- 10 how can you say that economy of ancient village communities was based on non - markets exchange?
- 11 explain the organism of indigenous trading network of colonial india?
- 12 what is kinship ? discuss the function of kinship in Indian society?
- 13 write the emergence of new market during colonial india?
- 14 what is commodification? explain?
- 15 what is invisible hand?
- 16 In what ways is a market such as a weekly market a social institution?
- 17 what is liberalization?
- 18 write the concept of liberalization and its 2 phase in india ? write its negative results also
- 19 globalisation is an effort of bretton woods twins to thrust economic administration on the society? explain?
- 20 which fact establish that we are born & live in social inequality & exclusion?
- 21 what are the main characteristics of social stratification?
- 22 what is stereotypes?
- 23 what is social exclusion?
- 24 what is dalit panthers ?
- 25 what do you know about 'kaka kalakar commission'?
- 26 why are government policies of national development and economic growth proving more painful for the tribal communities in north-eastern states?
- 27 who are differently abled people?
- 28 write in brief the goal of government policies for sc,st,obc?
- 29 discuss social exclusion with its steps?
- 30 how is social inequality different from the inequality of individuals?
- 31 how would you distinguish prejudice from other kinds of opinion or beliefs?
- 32 describe some of the policies designed to address caste inequality?
- 33 discuss that law alone cannot end a social practice with contemporary examples?
- 34 what are the major issues of concern to adivasi's today?

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1. What are the major issues taken up by the women's movement over its history?
2. Discuss how the disability is constructed by society?
3. When does cultural diversity become a challenge?
4. Why is it important for people to belong to communities based on cultural identities like a caste, ethnic group, region or religion?
5. Why does an individual need an identity?
6. How are ascriptive or community identities universal?
7. Why is a nation easy to describe but hard to define?
8. What are the key factors for building state- nations?
9. What was the background for setting up of states reorganization commission?
10. How are religion related issues the most contentious aspect of cultural diversity?
11. Write the chief characteristics of communalism?
12. What is meant by cultural diversity? Why is India considered to be a very diverse country?
13. What is regionalism? What factor is it usually based on?
14. What is a minority? Why do minorities need protection from the state?
15. How can India be made a state –nation instead of a nation-state?
16. What are the different senses in which secularism has been understood in India?
17. What do you mean by cultural change?
18. What are the effects of urbanization?
19. How has colonialism affected our lives?
20. Industrialization and Urbanization are linked process. How?
21. What consequences of colonialism have been pointed out upon India by the sociologist?
22. Explain the concept of westernization?
23. Write a critical essay on Sanskritisation?
24. Explain Panchayati Raj institution?
25. The 73rd amendment has been monumental in bringing a voice of the people in the village. Discuss.
26. What do you know about land reforms?
27. What are the different factors that have enabled certain groups to transform themselves into new wealthy, entrepreneurial, dominant classes?
28. Explain the socio economic consequences of green revolution?
29. What are the features of middle class peasantry?
30. Why was the abolition of intermediaries, a major objective of the land reform in India?
31. Discuss the positive impact of globalization?
32. Describe the home based work?
33. 'Industrialist leads to equality' briefly explain the both sides of statement.
34. How has liberalization attacked employment patterns in India?
35. What is globalization? It is simply a market strategy adopted by multinational companies or is genuine cultural synthesis taking place? Discuss.
36. explain the terms- mass media and mass communication?