



**ANDHRA PRADESH STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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**Minor**

**Domain Subject: Sociology**

S. No.	Paper	Hours	Credits
1	Sociological Analysis	4	4
2	Perspectives in Indian Society	4	4
3	Urban sociology & Urban Development	4	4
4	Rural sociology & Rural Development	4	4
5	Sociology of Disasters	4	4
6	Sociology of tribal society in India	4	4

## 1. Sociological Analysis

### Unit I

- Definition of Sociology - Nature and Scope, the emergence of Sociology
- Sociology and its relationship with other Social Sciences
- Characteristics and Functions of Human Society
- Individual and society

### Unit II

- Social Groups - The concept of Social Groups
- Types of Social Groups - Primary and Secondary groups, Community
- Social Structure - The concepts of 'Status' and 'Role'
- Culture - The concept - Characteristics of Culture - Components of Culture

### Unit III

- Socialization - The Agencies of Socialization
- Theories of Socialization
- Social Control

### Unit IV

- Social Stratification: Characteristics of Social Stratification
- Theories and Forms of Stratification

### Unit V

- Social Processes: Associative Process (Cooperation, Accommodation, Assimilation)
- Dissociative Process (Conflict, Competition)

### **Recommended Books:**

Koenig, Samuel	: Sociology – An Introduction
Mac Iver and Page	: Society
Bierstadt, Robert	: Social Order
Davis, Kingsley	: Human Society
Johnson, H.M	: Sociology, A systematic Introduction
Goode, William	: The Dynamics of Modern Society.
Ian Robertson	: Sociology
Haralombos	: Sociology, Themes and perspectives

## 2. Perspectives on Indian Society

### Unit I

- Theoretical Perspectives :
  - Dialectical
  - Structural and Functional
  - Cognitive Historical Approach
- Foundation of Indian Society :
  - Hindu View of Life
  - Purusharthas
  - Varna Dharma
  - Ashrma Dharma

### Unit II

- Marriage in India :
  - Types of Marriage
  - Forms of Hindu Marriage
  - Hindu Marriage as a Sacrament
  - Changing Trends in Marriage and
  - Marriage among Muslims and Christians
- Family in India :
  - Types of Family
  - Structure and Functions of Joint Family
  - Family in Rural and Urban Setting
  - Changing Trends in Indian Family

### Unit III

- Caste System :
  - Features and Function of Caste System
  - Theories of Origin of Caste System
  - Cultural and Structural View about Caste System

### Unit IV

- Religion and Polity :
  - Religion and Ritual Systems
  - Leadership and Polity
  - Socio-Religious Movements

### Unit V

- Tradition and Modernity :
  - Composition of Indian Society
  - Unity and Diversity
  - Great Tradition and Orthogenetic Changes

### **Recommend Books:**

- Prabu Padarinath : Hindu Social organisation  
M.N. Sreenivas \_ : Social Change in Modern India  
J.H. Huttan : Caste in India  
Mandle Baum, David : Society in India

### **3. Urban Sociology and Urban Development**

#### **Unit I**

- Nature and Scope of Urban Sociology – Urban Community Characteristics
- Urban Centres: Pre-Industrial, Industrial and Post Industrial

#### **Unit II**

- Demography and Ecology: Demographic and Morphological Features of Urban Centres in India.
- Urban Ecological Process: Mecklenjee's Theory of Human Ecology
- Urban Ecological Theories.

#### **Unit III**

- Urban Social Structure: Urbanism – Urbanism as way of life; Louis Wirth, Herbert Gans, Fisher.
- Family, Kinship and ethnicity in Urban India

#### **Unit IV**

- Urbanisation: The Concept of Urbanisation
- Causes and Components of Urbanization
- Trends and Levels of Urbanization India.
- Impact and Problems of Urbanization

#### **Unit V**

- Urban Development and Urban Problems: Housing, Pollution, Crime
- Slums and Slums Improvement
- Urban Community Development
- Urban Planning

#### **Recommended Books:**

- 1) M.S.A. Rao : Urban Sociology in India
- 2) Willim G. Flanagan : Urban Sociology
- 3) R. Ramachandran : Urbanisation and Urban system in India

## 4. Rural sociology & Rural Development

### Unit I

- Introduction: Definition, Nature and Scope of Rural Sociology
- Rural and Urban differences; rural and Urban Continuum

### Unit II

Ecology and Demography:

- Rural Ecology: Village and settlement pattern, types and forms
- Demographic Characteristics of rural areas in India.
- Indian Villages – Tradition and Change

### Unit III

Rural social structure:

- Dominant caste
- Jajmani System
- Role of religion in rural life
- Rural leadership and polity

### Unit IV

Rural Economy:

- Land Ownership pattern
- Land reforms and its impact with special reference to Andhra Pradesh
- Green Revolution and its impact
- Changing Agrarian Relations & Peasant Movement

### Unit V

#### **Rural Development:**

- Rural Problems: Poverty, Indebtedness, Rural Housing, Rural House.
- Panchayat Raj
- Rural Development Programmes in India

#### **Recommended Books:**

- A.R. Desai : Rural Sociology  
N. Long : Introduction to the Sociology of Rural Development  
Chitambar : Rural Sociology

## 5. Sociology of Disaster

### Unit I

- Introducing Disaster: - The disaster construct  
- Mainstream topics of Hazards and Disaster Research  
- Conceptual understanding of societal response to disaster

### Unit II

- Social science research agenda for the Disasters: - Theoretical  
- Methodological and  
- Empirical issues

### Unit III

- Disaster Vulnerability and social Marginality: - Race  
- Class  
- Caste  
- Ethnicity  
- Gender

### Unit IV

- Sociological studies and Disaster: - Case studies from India and Beyond

### Unit V

- Disaster prevention and Mitigation: - Sustainable reduction on disaster

### **Recommended Books:**

- Race, class and environmental justice : Cutter  
Vulnerability to environmental hazards : Cutter  
Human system responses to disaster : Drabek

## 6. Sociology of tribal society in India

### Unit I

- Basic Concepts: Primitive Tribe, Adivasi, Vanavasi, Girijan, Adimjati,
- Scheduled Tribe, De-notified Tribe, PTG, Indigenous People.

### Unit II

- Distribution of Scheduled tribes in India: Racial, linguistic and geographical; Population and sex ratio.

### Unit III

- Culture through ethnographies: The Toda, Khasi, Muria, Kond, Jarawa.

### Unit IV

- Tribal Welfare Policies: Changing approaches to tribal development- Pre & Post-Independence: isolation, assimilation and integration; Constitutional safeguards, PESA, National Policy for Scheduled Tribes 2006.

### Unit V

- Problems and conflicts: land alienation, indebtedness, forest regulation and policy, mines and people; displacement.

### Recommended Books

- Beteille, A. 1998. The Idea of Indigenous People. *Current Anthropology* 39, 187-191.
- Dube, S.C. 1977. *Tribal Heritage of India*. New Delhi: Vikas.
- Elwin, V. 1990. *The Tribal World of Verrier Elwin: An Autobiography*. Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- Haimendorf, Christoph von. 1982. *Tribes of India: The Struggle for Survival*. Oxford University Press.
- Hasnain, Nadeem. 2005. *Tribal India*. Delhi: Palka Prakashan.
- H.S. Saksena, Vinay Kumar Srivastava, Sukant K. Chaudhary (eds.) 2006. *Scheduled Tribes and Development*. New Delhi: Manohar Publications.
- Louis, Prakash. 2008. *Rights of Scheduled Tribes of India: Acts, Commissions and Recommendations*. New Delhi: Manohar Publications.