UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD

ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS, FEBRUARY 2013
Ph.D (SOCIOLOGY)

TIME: 2 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 75 HALL TICKET NUMBER

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read these instructions carefully before answering.
2. Enter your Hall Ticket No. on this page and also on the OMR answer sheet.
3. Answers of only Part A are to be marked on the OMR Answer Sheet following the instructions provided thereupon. Part B and C are to be answered in the space provided in this question paper booklet. No additional sheets will be provided.
4. Hand over both the question paper booklet and the OMR answer sheet at the end of the examination.
5. The question paper has three Parts: Part A, Part B and Part C. Part A consists of 40 objective type questions relating to the discipline as a whole (40 marks). Part B consists of a long question related to sociological theory and methods (15 marks). Part C has 4 questions of 5 marks each on qualitative and quantitative techniques/concepts and Indian society (20 marks).
6. Each correct answer in Part A carries 1 mark. Marks obtained in Part A will determine the merit rank in case of a tie in the total number of marks obtained.
7. There is negative marking in Part A. Each wrong answer carries -0.33 marks.
8. This question paper booklet contains 17 pages including the cover page. There is a blank page provided at the end of the question paper marked ‘ROUGH WORK’ where students could work out their answers. Candidates are not allowed to detach any page from the main booklet.
Part – A
Objective Questions (40 Marks)

The following questions are to be answered in the OMR sheet provided.

1. Reification is
   A. the same thing as refraction
   B. another word for spiritualism
   C. a fallacy of making an abstraction into a thing
   D. another word for reflection

2. Which form of capital does the concept of ‘misrecognition’ relate to?
   A. Economic Capital
   B. Social Capital
   C. Cultural Capital
   D. Symbolic Capital

3. The ‘Synthetic Theory’ is given by:
   A. R.J. Johnston and Pedersen
   B. Robert Park and Ernest Burgess
   C. Chauncey Harris and Edward Ullman
   D. Brian Berry and Philip Rees

4. The ‘Optimum Population Theory’ deals with the relation between
   A. population and development
   B. population and fertility
   C. population and resources
   D. population and family size

5. Who is associated with the concept of ‘categorical imperatives’?
   A. Hegel
   B. Kant
   C. Habermas
   D. Wallerstein
6. Which of the following thinkers uses ‘inter-subjectivity’ as a fundamental idea in his work?

A. Habermas  
B. Nietzsche  
C. Derrida  
D. Hegel

7. Who among the following explained how colonialism disarticulates the local mode of production that accounts for the specific characteristics of the Indian society?

A. Hamza Alavi  
B. Andre Gunder Frank  
C. Samir Amin  
D. Fernando Henrique Cardoso

8. Who has named his approach as ‘Marxiology’ in an attempt to understand culture and personality in the Indian context?

A. Radhakamal Mukerjee  
B. G.S. Ghurye  
C. M.N. Srinivas  
D. D.P. Mukerji

9. What is the term used when a widow is married to her deceased husband’s brother?

A. Widow marriage  
B. Sororate  
C. Polyandry  
D. Levirate

10. Which of the following statements qualify as summarizing the ‘Hermeneutic’ approach?

I. It works on the principle that we can only understand the meaning of a statement in relation to a whole discourse  
II. It is the science of interpretation and maintains an interest in the content as well as the form of what is being interpreted

A. Only statement I qualify  
B. Only statement II qualify  
C. Both statement I and II qualify  
D. Neither of the statements qualify
11. The method of equal-appearing interval scale was developed by

A. L. L. Thurstone  
B. Rensis Likert  
C. Emory S. Bogardus  
D. Louis Guttman

12. Which of the following is based on the logic of Proportional Reduction error?

A. Lambda  
B. Gamma  
C. Somer's d  
D. Kendal tau-b

13. 'Reading Capital' is authored by:

A. Antonio Gramsci  
B. Nicos Poulantzas  
C. David Harvey  
D. Louis Althusser

14. Who wrote 'Sex, Gender and Society'?

A. Simone de Beauvoir  
B. Alison Jagger  
C. Judith Butler  
D. Ann Oakley

15. The concept of 'habitus' re-elaborated by Bourdieu was introduced by

A. Peter L. Berger  
B. Marcel Mauss  
C. Edmund Husserl  
D. Gilles Deleuze

16. Marx hypothesized the effects of 'alienation' at the level of

A. The product and the process of production  
B. Human relations and species-being  
C. Both A) and B)  
D. None of the above
17. The terms 'class-in-itself' and 'class-for-itself' formally designate

A. a 'subjective' and 'objective' position on class respectively  
B. an 'objective' and 'subjective' position on class respectively  
C. forms of class struggle  
D. the basis of historical materialism

18. In Marx's analysis the formulae 'C-M-C' and 'M-C-M' respectively represent

A. capitalist and non-capitalist forms of exchange  
B. non-capitalist and capitalist forms of exchange  
C. money as medium of social relations  
D. different modes of exploitation

19. Who among the following sociologists was first to insist on a distinction between 'function and 'efficient cause'? 

A. Robert Merton  
B. Talcott Parsons  
C. Emile Durkheim  
D. Radcliffe-Brown

20. Identify the main theme(s) engaged by Weber in his sociology

A. Religion and society  
B. Rationalization  
C. Both A) and B)  
D. None of the above

21. Generally, scientific theories are based on

A. inductive method  
B. deductive method  
C. Both  
D. None of the above

22. The journal 'Contributions to Indian Sociology' was started by

A. M.N. Srinivas and Andre Beteille  
B. A.R. Desai and G.S. Ghurye  
C. Louis Dumont and David Pocock  
D. Ramakrishna Mukherjee and D.P. Mukherji
23. Unanticipated consequences result in

A. Outcomes which one hopes to realize  
B. Purposive social behavior  
C. Desirable outcomes  
D. Serendipity

24. Embourgeoisement means

A. the process of incorporation into the bourgeoisie of elements of the working class  
B. the process of incorporation into the working class of elements of the bourgeoisie  
C. the process of incorporation into the working class as well as the bourgeoisie the elements of all classes  
D. All of the above

25. The concept of ‘Interpellation’ is associated with

A. Louis Althusser  
B. Michel Foucault  
C. Jean Paul Sartre  
D. None of the above

26. The author of the book “Feudalism and Capitalism in Latin America” is

A. Andre Gunder Frank  
B. Ernesto Laclau  
C. Hamza Alavi  
D. Samir Amin

27. Maria Mies’ concept of “Housewifization” theorizes women’s

A. oppression particularly of housewives in all societies  
B. oppression in the non-capitalist systems  
C. oppression in the capitalist patriarchal systems  
D. All the above

28. The concept ‘tools of conviviality’ is associated with

A. Paulo Freire  
B. Ivan Illich  
C. Arthur Escobar  
D. Majid Rehnema
29. Amartya Sen’s concept of ‘capability’ implies

A. the degree of freedom that is available to an individual in a given situation
B. the degree of freedom that is available to a group/community in a given situation
C. a mark of group’s functioning in a socially effective and personally empowered manner
D. All the above

30. Sharmila Rege has written about

A. the standpoint of dalit women
B. dowry laws
C. rape laws
D. All of the above

31. Mechanical solidarity’ and ‘Organic solidarity’ are the concepts introduced by Emile Durkheim

A. to convince the people around him that an analytical understanding of religion is key to the study of society
B. to demonstrate a categorical distinction between simple and complex societies
C. to prove his thesis that the rate of suicide is higher among the followers of Protestantism than among those of Catholicism
D. All of the above

32. Who is the advocate of Actor Network Theory (ANT)?

A. Herbert Blumer
B. George Herbert Mead
C. Bruno Latour
D. Manuel Castells

33. Who is the initial proponent of the concept of ‘Plural Society’?

A. J.S. Furnivall
B. G.S. Ghurye
C. Cecilia Van Hollen
D. Harold Garfinkel
34. Who among the following is one of the early Indian sociologists who insisted that “it is not enough that an Indian Sociologist be a sociologist, but must be an Indian first”?

A. T.K. Oommen  
B. Ramakrishna Mukherjee  
C. D.P. Mukherji  
D. Radhakamal Mukherjee

35. Teleological explanations

A. examine a process by the end-state towards which it is directed  
B. orient the existence of something by the function it fulfils  
C. Both of the above  
D. None of the above

36. The terms ‘langue’ and ‘parole’ are associated with

A. Levi-Strauss  
B. Ferdinand de Saussure  
C. Pierre Bourdieu  
D. Emile Durkheim

37. The study of ‘typifications’ is associated with

A. Alfred Schutz  
B. Harold Garfinkel  
C. Role theory  
D. Max Weber

38. Norms and rules contribute to the following in social life:

A. Order and predictability in human action  
B. Defining behavior as appropriate or inappropriate  
C. Achieving social order  
D. All of the above

39. To implement experimental research design in social sciences, we need

A. a control group  
B. a group exposed to some new experience  
C. Both A) and B)  
D. a laboratory
40. Correlation co-efficient is an indicator of

A. the strength of relationship between two variables
B. the direction of the relationship between two variables
C. (A) only
D. Both (A) and (B)
Part – B (15 Marks)

Attempt any One of the following questions in the space provided below. The answer must not exceed 500 words.

1. ‘Social structures are both constituted by human agency, and yet at the same time are the very medium of this constitution’. Engage with the terms of the structure versus agency debate in the light of this statement.

2. Examine the inter-subjective dimensions of the qualitative method. Discuss also the perspectival shifts that are entailed by this during the research process.

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Part – C

(20 Marks)

Attempt a short note on any Four of the following in the space provided below. Each short note carries 5 marks and must not exceed 200 words.

a) Social Capital
b) Concept of ‘post-development’
c) Open and axial coding
d) Statistics in Sociology
e) Grounded Theory
f) Marxist approach to Indian Society.

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