Entrance Examinations – 2016 M.Phil. Sociology

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INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Please read these instructions carefully before answering.
- 2. Please 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. Please 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 **16** 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.

(40 Marks)

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

- 1. 'Middle Range theory' means
 - A) It is formulated at a lower level of abstraction
 - B) Facilitates empirical research better than Grand theory
 - C) Both of the above
 - D) None of the above
- 2. The term 'Bullock capitalist' was coined by
 - A) Daniel Thorner and Alice Thorner
 - B) Suzanne Rudolf and Lloyd Rudolph
 - C) Romesh Thapar and Raj Thapar
 - D) None of the above
 - 3. August Comte is known for
 - A) Perceiving similarity between Sociology and Biology
 - B) Dividing Sociology into Social Statics and Social Dynamics
 - C) Both of the above
 - D) None of the above
 - 4. The term 'nomothetic' refers to
 - A) The use of Ideal types
 - B) The focus on the historically particular
 - C) The emphasis on general, law-like statements
 - D) All of the above
 - 5. The terms 'langue' and 'parole' are associated with
 - A) Claude Levi-Strauss
 - B) Pierre Bourdieu
 - C) Michel Foucault
 - D) Ferdinand De Saussure

- 6. Who is the author of the book "Great Transformations"
 - A) Jean Paul Sartre
 - B) Karl Marx
 - C) Pierre Bourdieu
 - D) Karl Polanyi

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- 7. Which of the following two concepts are associated with Partha Chaterjee?
 - A) Anthropological and Sociological Society
 - B) Political and Historical Society
 - C) Political Society and Civil Society
 - D) All the above

8. According to Weber, States govern legitimately by the use of

- A) Rational-legal authority
- B) Traditional authority
- C) Both A and B
- D) Only A

9. Methodological individualism is associated with

- A) Auguste Comte
- B) Saint Simon
- C) Herbert Spencer
- D) Max Weber

10. Which of the following comes nearest to a definition of Middle Classes

- A) 80 to 90% of population
- B) 60 to 90% if population
- C) 40 to 60% of population
- D) 5 to 10% of population
- 11. Urban Commons is
 - A) Undeveloped land
 - B) Common/public resources
 - C) Land owned by the Municipality
 - D) Fallow land in urban areas

12. Structuration theory is enunciated by

- A) Anthony Giddens
- B) Levi Strauss
- C) Talcott Parsons
- D) Karl Marx
- 13. Ideal Type is
 - A) a typology
 - B) a type of ideology
 - C) a pattern of ideas common to a group of people
 - D) mores

14. Which of the following is not a measure of association

- A) Gamma
- B) Lambda
- C) Mean
- D) Pearson's R

15. Which of the following is an incorrect match

- A) Nationality category
- B) Income variable
- C) Caste Category
- D) Gender variable
- 16. With every unit of increase in independent variable there is a corresponding increase in the dependent variable. The relationship between the two variables may be stated as
 - A) Positively correlated
 - B) Negatively correlated
 - C) No relationship
 - D) None of the above
- 17. Anomie is a social condition, refers to
 - A) The breakdown of norms governing social interactions
 - B) The collapse of economic stability
 - C) The assimilation of a social group into another dominant group
 - D) The triumph of a religious dogma

18. Hermeneutics refers to

- A) The concept of division of labor elaborated by Emile Durkheim
- B) The method to understand industrial growth in non-industrial societies
- C) The method of comprehend the dynamics of social conflicts
- D) The theory and method of interpreting meaningful human actions

19. According to George Herbert Mead, language

- A) is a non-significant gesture
- B) makes possible, the ability to think
- C) is possessed only by lower animals
- D) is the means of communication unique to humans

20. Author of the book "The Second Shift" is

- A) Arlie Hochschild
- B) Max Weber
- C) Talcott Parsons
- D) Alvin Toffler

21. Which of the following statement is true:

- A) Dependency theory focused on the question 'why' of underdevelopment, rather than 'how' to achieve development
- B) Modernisation theory focused on the question 'why' of underdevelopment, rather than 'how' to achieve development
- C) Dependency theory was intellectually inspired by evolutionism, diffusionism and structural functionalism
- D) Modernisation theory emerged in Latin America with a focus on third world development

22. Find the odd one out:

- A) Ernest Mandel
- B) Andre Gunder Frank
- C) Samir Amin
- D) Immanuel Wallerstein
- 23. What does McDonaldization mean
 - A) Universal application of the ideas of Dwight McDonald
 - B) The process of extension of the cartoons of Donald Duck
 - C) Spread of the new means of consumption across the world
 - D) Diffusion of modern agricultural practices

- 24. The social positions of
 - A) Caste, Gender and Ethnic groups are biologically determined
 - B) Caste is biological, but Gender and Ethnic groups are economically determined
 - C) Gender is biological, while the Ethnic and Caste groups are culturally determined
 - D) Caste, Gender and Ethnic groups are culturally determined
- 25. Which of the following, according to Louis Dumont, is the most appropriate description of the Hindu Social Order:
 - A) It is a system of 'Homo equalis' where individual rights predominate the community responsibility
 - B) It is a system of 'Homo Hierarchicus' where the norms of tradition dented in favour of cohesive social order take precedence over the modern notion of individual rights
 - C) It is a unique structure where the modern and tradition blend with each other
 - D) It is an ideal model where change and continuity coexist in convenience
- 26. Focus group discussion is a type of
 - A) Longitudinal study
 - B) Group interview
 - C) Observation in a closed room
 - D) Open ended survey

27. Content analysis technique can be used for

- A) Newspapers
- B) Blogs
- C) Diaries
- D) All of the above
- 28. Cultural studies primarily relies on
 - A) Survey data
 - B) Textual data
 - C) Census data
 - D) None of the above

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- 29. Feminist research
 - A) is informed by feminist theory
 - B) is a critique of androcentrism
 - C) challenges misogynist approaches
 - D) All of the above
- 30. The theory of risk society relates to
 - A) risks concerning traffic accidents
 - B) risks of violence in the public domain
 - C) risks made as a consequence of investments made in the stock exchange
 - D) the modern anxiety regarding risks regarding the future
- 31. One of the following is common to Lewis Coser and Ralf Dahrendorf:-
 - A) Sociology of development
 - B) Sociology of conflict
 - C) Sociology of gender
 - D) Sociology of post-modernism
- 32. Milton Singer is known for his work on:
 - A) Indian Industrial sociology
 - B) Agrarian studies
 - C) Tradition and modernity
 - D) None of the above
- 33. P.C. Mahalanobis is known for
 - A) India's Five Year Plans
 - B) Conceiving socialist revolution in India
 - C) Centre-State relations
 - D) None of the above
- 34. Orientalism is a study of the culture and civilization of
 - A) Western society
 - B) The eastern societies
 - C) African society
 - D) Latin American society

- 35. According to which of the following scholars, "Sociology of India must lie at the confluence of sociology and Indology"?
 - A) G.S. Ghurye
 - B) Edward Shils
 - C) Louis Dumont
 - D) M.N. Srinivas
- 36. The defining factor responsible for the survival of caste system in the contemporary India is
 - A) Segmental division of the society
 - B) Purity and Pollution
 - C) Endogamy
 - D) Exogamy

37. The Muslims of Indian society may broadly be divided into

- A) Ashrafs
- B) Ajlafs
- C) Arzals
- D) All the above
- 38. Which among the following is the first Indian University to have started the Department of Sociology?
 - A) University of Lucknow
 - B) Osmania University
 - C) University of Bombay
 - D) University of Calcutta
- 39. Who among the following is the pioneer of 'Functionalism' in Sociology/Social Anthropology of India?
 - A) G.S. Ghurye
 - B) K.M. Kapdia
 - C) M.N. Srinivas
 - D) T.N. Madan

40. The term "sanskritisation" refers to?

- A) A concept
- B) A process
- C) Both a concept and a process
- D) None of the above

Part-B

(15 Marks)

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

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- 1. What is Reflexivity? Examine the implications of this concept for social science research.
- 2. Elaborate Erving Goffman's theoretical perspective on the study of face to face interaction.
- 3. Development is presented as a policy/programme although it is a political project to expand the capitalist system. Comment.

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Part- C

(20 Marks)

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

- 1. Althusser on Over Determination
- 2. Weber on Rationalisation
- 3. Andre Beteille on Class, Caste and Power
- 4. Pierre Bourdieu on Fields
- 5. Relevance of Quantitative Methods
- 6. Identity politics
- 7. Feminisation of labour

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