UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD
Entrance Examination, JUNE 2010
Ph.D. (Anthropology)

Time: 2 Hours
Max. Marks: 75

INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) THIS QUESTION PAPER CONTAINS 5 PAGES. IT HAS TWO PARTS, VIZ., PART "A" FOR 15 MARKS AND PART "B" FOR 60 MARKS.

(2) PART "A" CONSISTS OF 15 MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS. EACH CORRECT ANSWER CARRIES "ONE" MARK. THERE IS NEGATIVE AWARD OF 0.33 MARKS FOR EVERY WRONG ANSWER. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO NEGATIVE AWARD FOR THE QUESTIONS NOT ATTEMPTED.

(3) PART "B" QUESTIONS SHOULD BE ANSWERED ON A SEPARATE ANSWER BOOK SUPPLIED IN THE EXAMINATION HALL. ADDITIONAL SHEETS MAY BE USED IF REQUIRED.

(4) PART "A" AND PART "B" ANSWER SCRIPTS SHOULD BE TIED TOGETHER BEFORE HANDING THEM OVER TO THE CONCERNED INVIGILATOR.

(5) THE ENTRANCE TEST PAPER SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN OUT OF THE EXAMINATION HALL.

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PART -A
(For a maximum of 15 marks)

Write the correct answer (a/ b/ c/ d) in the bracket:

1. The analysis of life as a game was developed by this [   ] anthropologist, who treated individuals as rational actors seeking their personal advantage

   a) Fredrik Barth       b) Clifford Geertz
   c) E.R. Leach         d) Max Gluckman

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2. Who argued for the impossibility of exact translation between language and demonstrated that no meaning exists outside language?
   
   a) Edward Sapir  
   b) Dell Hymes  
   c) Edward Said  
   d) J. Derrida

3. Despite their association with very different social systems, totemism and Indian caste system have logical structures, which are similar in their organization. This was explained by
   
   a) Louis Dumont  
   b) E.R Leach  
   c) Levi-Strauss  
   d) S. Freud

4. Book with the title, 'Writing Cultures': The Poetics and Politics of Ethnography (1986) was written by
   
   a) James Clifford & George Marcus  
   b) George Marcus & Michel Fischer  
   c) Michel Fischer & James Clifford  
   d) Clifford Geertz

5. Match the following:

   | 1. Karl Popper | a. Positivism |
   | 2. J. S. Mills | b. Deductive method |
   | 3. E. Durkheim | c. Phenomenology |
   | 4. E. Husserl | d. Inductive method |

   a) 1-b, 2-c, 3-d, 4-a  
   b) 1-b, 2-d, 3-a, 4-c  
   c) 1-c, 2-b, 3-a, 4-d  
   d) 1-a, 2-c, 3-b, 4-d

6. Match the following:

   | 1. Transaction | a. Claude Meillassoux |
   | 2. Binary opposition | b. Maurice Godelier |
   | 3. Production-reproduction | c. Fredrik Barth |
   | 4. Infrastructure-superstructure | d. Levi-Strauss |

   a) 1-c, 2-d, 3-a, 4-b  
   b) 1-d, 2-a, 3-c, 4-d  
   c) 1-c, 2-d, 3-b, 4-d  
   d) 1-b, 2-c, 3-d, 4-a
7. Match the following:

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<th>1. PRA</th>
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<td>2. Genealogy</td>
<td>b. Kenneth Pike</td>
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<td>3. Ethnography Text</td>
<td>c. Robert Chambers</td>
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<td>d. James Clifford</td>
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a) 1-c, 2-a, 3-d, 4-b  
b) 1-a, 2-d, 3-b, 4-c  
c) 1-b, 2-d, 3-a, 4-1  
d) 1-a, 2-c, 3-d, 4-b

8. Of the following who argued that Indian society is static?

a) C. J. Fuller  
b) Louis Dumont  
c) Surajit Sinha  
d) L.P Vidyarthi

9. Verrier Elwin who contributed to the knowledge of tribal India is known as

a) Social Anthropologist  
b) Ethnographer  
c) Ethno-historian  
d) Indologist

10. The branch of anthropology concerned with what people know and how that knowledge changes the way people perceive and relates to the world around them is

a) symbolic anthropology  
b) interpretive anthropology  
c) cognitive anthropology  
d) structural anthropology

11. The method which enables the analyst to trace how events chain on to one another and how they are linked to one another through time is called

a) situational analysis  
b) extended case study  
c) content analysis  
d) comparative method

12. The approach of Clifford Geertz is that of

a) interpretative  
b) empirical-descriptive  
c) hermeneutic-phenomenology  
d) all the above

13. ‘The Muria and their ghotul’ is written by

a) Furer-Haimendorf  
b) S.C.Dube  
c) Verrier Elwin  
d) P.K.Bhowmik

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14. Which of the following works resulted in controversy over the ethnography
   a) Coming of Age in Samoa of M. Mead
   b) The Andaman Islanders of R. Brown
   c) The Nuer of Evans-Pritchard
   d) The South Indian Sub-caste of L. Dumont

15. Which of the following are PRA/RRA techniques?
   1. Transact walk
   2. Resource mapping
   3. Focus Group Discussion
   4. Census
   a) 1, 3 & 4
   b) 1, 2, & 4
   c) 1, 2 & 3
   d) 2, 3 & 4

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PART-B (For a maximum of 60 marks)

Answer the following Questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

1. Discuss how the functional paradigm put forth by Malinowski is entirely linked to his ethnographic method.

   OR

   Are the emotional stress and strain of adolescence biologically determined or a product of culturally specific practices? Discuss how Margaret Mead approached this problem.

2. Write a critique on the structuralist theory of society.

   OR

   Write an essay on theoretical contribution of Clifford Geertz.

3. Examine the work of Verrier Elwin in the field of tribal religion in India.

   OR

   Write a critical essay on the merits and demerits of any ethnographic work about Indian tribe or caste that you have read.

4. Discuss various ways of overcoming the problem of validity and reliability in anthropological research.

   OR

   Write short notes on any three of the following
   a) Case study and case history
   b) Comparative method
   c) Sociometry
   d) PRA techniques

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