

ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS, 2025

Ph.D. (SOCIOLOGY)

TIME: 2 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 70

HALL TICKET NUMBER

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read these instructions carefully before answering.

1. Write your Hall Ticket No in the OMR Answer Sheet and a separate answer book given to you. Also write the Hall Ticket Number in the space provided above.
2. The question paper has two Parts: **Part 'A'** and **Part 'B'**. Part A of the question paper consists of 35 objective type questions of one mark each for a total of 35 marks. Part B has two sections: Section I consisting of a long answer question (15 marks) and Section II consisting of 4 short notes of 5 marks each (20 marks).
3. Answers for **Part A** must be marked on the OMR Answer Sheet following the instructions provided thereupon.
4. **Part B** consists of descriptive questions for 35 marks and to be answered in a separate book provided.
5. Hand over both the OMR Answer Sheet and the Answer Book of **Part 'B'** at the end of the examination to the Invigilator.
6. Each correct answer in **Part A** carries 1 mark. Marks obtained in **Part A** will determine the merit rank in case of tie in the total number of marks obtained.
7. No additional sheets will be provided. Rough work can be done in the question paper itself.

There is no negative marking

Part – A
Objective Questions

(35 Marks)

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

1. Who among the following argued that ethnographies are constructed narratives.
 - A. Clifford Geertz
 - B. W.H. Whyte
 - C. Sarah pink
 - D. Robert park
2. "An Assertion that texts outlive their authors and become part of a set of cultural habits equal to the importance of authorial intent" is a vital aspect of:
 - A. Derrida's theory of Deconstruction
 - B. Anthony Gidden's Theory of Structuration
 - C. Pierre Bourdieu's Theory of Habitus
 - D. Gramsci's Framework of Hegemony
3. The theory of structuration proposes:
 - A. To integrate structure and agency
 - B. To highlight the changing nature of capital in advanced industrial societies
 - C. To explicate the emergence of meta-cultural networks
 - D. To dissociate the organic relation between elements of structure and anti-structure
4. While studying changing global cultural economy, Arjun Appadurai proposes 'ethnoscapes' which means:
 - A. Migration of people from across cultures and borders
 - B. The emergence of new media networks
 - C. The emergence of tradition knowledge based capitalism
 - D. The growing influence of developing societies in global politics
5. The rise and spread of bureaucracy according to Max Weber signifies
 - A. The power of tradition value structure
 - B. The spread of rationalization in contemporary world
 - C. The ascendancy of religious belief system
 - D. The cultural conflicts in contemporary

6. Which of the following is correct about 'algorithmic bias'?
- i. It improves efficiency of work without impacting social outcomes
 - ii. It reinforces existing social inequalities by embedding social prejudices in algorithms
 - iii. It is a technical glitch, can be overcome by technological solutions

Chose the correct option

- A. i only
 - B. ii only
 - C. iii only
 - D. i and ii only
7. Who is the author of the book 'A Carnival for Science'?
- A. Shiv Visvanathan
 - B. George Ritzer
 - C. Ulrich Beck
 - D. T. K. Oommen
8. What levels of measurements can be used to measure variables 'age' and 'hours of TV viewing'?
- A. Nominal and Ordinal
 - B. Ratio and Nominal
 - C. Interval and Ratio
 - D. Interval and Nominal
9. Which of the following statements is **incorrect** about Chi-Square test?
- A. A chi-square test for independence compares two variables in a contingency table to see if they are related
 - B. It is a non-parametric procedure
 - C. The variables tested must be nominal or interval
 - D. The null hypothesis states that there is no relationship between the two variables
10. Which of the following align with cultural code of capitalism?
- i. Consumerism
 - ii. Individualism
 - iii. Competition
 - iv. Public good

Chose the correct option

- A. i, ii and iii only
- B. i, ii and iv only
- C. ii, iii and iv only
- D. i, ii, iii and iv

11. Raw data presented below shows a list of respondents and their age in a study.
Identify the Mode score useful for the study:
22, 21, 22, 19, 22, 21, 15, 22, 22, 19
- A. 19
 - B. 21
 - C. 22
 - D. 15
12. Which of the following processes is useful to ensure credibility and accuracy of findings in qualitative research?
- A. Replication
 - B. Standardization
 - C. Correlation
 - D. Triangulation
13. Identify the correct statement associated with - A cross-sectional research design is
- A. A design in which data is collected periodically
 - B. A design in which data is collected at one point of time
 - C. A design in which time is irrelevant
 - D. A design involving an experimental process
14. Identify the correct match among the following authors and their studies:
- A. Clifford Geertz – Iroquois, Seneca
 - B. Lewis H Morgan – Indonesian and Balinese
 - C. B. Malinowski – Trobriand
 - D. Margaret Mead – Cherokee
15. Find the correct pairing:
- | | |
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| A. Subjugated knowledge | Sandra Harding |
| B. Situated Knowledge | Michel Foucault |
| C. Intersectionality | Kimberley Crenshaw |
| D. Stand Point Theory | Donna Haraway |
16. Which of the following is an example of Fatalistic suicide as conceived by Durkheim?
- A. An army personnel voluntarily sacrificing his life for the cause of the nation
 - B. A serf ending his life when he fails to cope up with oppression
 - C. A businessman committing suicide soon after economic recession
 - D. Unmarried or single men committed suicide in metropolitan cities
17. For Simmel, "Sociability" refer to:
- A. Play form of association
 - B. Content of the conversation/interaction remain significant
 - C. Interaction with someone with strategic purpose
 - D. Interact with someone with the attempt to gain some advantage

18. Who among the following used songs, slave poetry and his own autobiographical experience as resources for his theoretical treatise?
- A. Emile Durkheim
 - B. Max Weber
 - C. Saint Simon
 - D. W.E.B. Du Bois
19. If one were to accept the argument that law is a social institution, one of the possible consequences would be:
- A. To treat courtroom adjudication AS a reflection of everyday social relations
 - B. To consider courtroom justice AS the ultimate value of the common good
 - C. To uphold public law as the ultimate authority
 - D. To subordinate everyday social relations to codified statutes, rules and procedures
20. Disability studies is primarily:
- A. An intersectional pursuit with potential for transdisciplinary collaboration
 - B. An interdisciplinary enterprise for cross-sectional purposes
 - C. A multi-stakeholders research intended to guide social policy
 - D. B & C
21. Of the following, what is Robert K. Merton not known for:
- A. 'Structural functionalism' and 'middle range theory'
 - B. 'Manifest and latent functions'
 - C. 'role theory' and 'rule deviance'
 - D. 'Reference group theory' and 'strain theory'
22. Which of the following sociological text introduces methodological individualism as a methodological precept for social science research?
- A. The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism
 - B. Politics as vocation
 - C. Economy and Society
 - D. Ancient Judaism
23. Patchwork Ethnography entails an ethnographer's:
- A. Long term commitments
 - B. Short term commitments
 - C. Deviating completely from established ethnographic method
 - D. All of the above
24. Who talked about the problem of 'unintelligibility'?
- A. Alexandra Kollontai
 - B. Margret Mead
 - C. Bell Hooks
 - D. Judith Butler

25. Foucault's Archeology of Knowledge concerns
- A. With historical knowledge formations
 - B. Narratives and discourses
 - C. Biopower and governmentality
 - D. Discursive formations and boundaries of thought
26. By the phrase, 'Industrial reserve army' Karl Marx implied that:
- A. Workers were as efficient as an army under capitalism
 - B. A large number of workers remain unemployed or underemployed under capitalism
 - C. There were not enough workers to carry out the advance technological operations required in capitalism
 - D. The armies of capitalist nations depended on highly industrialized arms
27. If a researcher had to measure the transformation in attitudes towards religion, and how that influences peoples' political behavior, she would use the longitudinal survey method, which means that:
- A. The researcher will return to the same group of respondents at specified timed intervals to gather data
 - B. The researcher will alter the context and circumstances of the respondents each time she gathers data
 - C. The researcher looks at different variables at one time
 - D. The researcher looks at a cross section of respondents at different points in time.
28. Who among the following describe "Sociology of India as a confluence of sociology and Indology"?
- A. G.S. Ghurye
 - B. R. K. Mukherjee
 - C. D.P. Mukherjee
 - D. Louis Dumont
29. Karl Manheim, the Hungarian sociologist in his discussion on 'sociology of Knowledge' emphasized on:
- A. The association between forms of knowledge and social structure
 - B. Social groups or processes could be correlated with forms of knowledge
 - C. Both A and B are correct
 - D. Both A and B are incorrect

30. The world-system theory was originally outlined by:
- A. R. Robertson
 - B. I. Wallerstein
 - C. F. Lechner
 - D. None of the above
31. The defining features of the Indian caste system is:
- A. The principles of patriarchy
 - B. The principles of economy
 - C. The principles of politics
 - D. The principles of purity and pollution
32. The larger focus of the Frankfurt School is:
- A. Evolutionary theories
 - B. Diffusionism in social theory
 - C. Structural and functional theories
 - D. Critical theories of culture
33. Asiatic mode of production and oriental despotism is associated with?
- A. Karl Marx
 - B. Emile Durkheim
 - C. Robert K. Merton
 - D. Karl Manheim
34. Which of the following is true about habitus?
- A. Habitus is created through an individual process
 - B. Habitus is opposite to field
 - C. Habitus is an Objectified reality
 - D. Habitus is a structuring structure
35. Who among the following defines the mandate of ethnography is to 'grasp the native's point of view, his relation to life, to realize his vision of his world'
- A. Evan Pritchard
 - B. Bronislaw Malinowski
 - C. Radcliff Brown
 - D. Victor Turner

PART – B**Section – I****(15 Marks)**

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

1. What is social mobility? Explain the sociological significance of the social mobility studies in the 21st century?
2. Drawing on a specific proposal you have conceptualized, discuss the methodological challenges in Sociological research.

Part – B**Section – II****(20 Marks)**

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

1. Epistemic Violence
2. Categorization of scheduled castes
3. New middle class in India
4. Auto-ethnography
5. Platform capitalism
6. Gramsci's concept of civil society
7. Goffman's Dramaturgical approach
8. Public sociology

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Q.No.	Answer	Q.No.	Answer
1	A	26	B
2	A	27	A
3	A	28	D
4	A	29	C
5	B	30	B
6	B	31	D
7	A	32	D
8	C	33	A
9	C	34	D
10	A	35	B
11	C	36	
12	D	37	
13	B	38	
14	C	39	
15	C	40	
16	B	41	
17	A	42	
18	D	43	
19	A	44	
20	A	45	
21	C	46	
22	C	47	
23	A	48	
24	D	49	
25	D	50	

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