

MA 1st Semester Examination, 2011

SOCIOLOGY

(Trends in Marxist Sociology)

PAPER—SOC-102

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

GROUP — A

[Marks : 20]

1. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1
- (a) Discuss Marx's views on base and superstructure.
- (b) Examine Marx's views on alienation.

2. Answer any *two* of the following : 5 × 2

(a) What does Marx mean by unity of struggles between opposites ?

(b) What is dialectical materialism ?

(c) What does Marx mean by social change ?

GROUP – B

[*Marks* : 20]

1. Answer any *one* of the following : 10 × 1

(a) Indicate the differences between critical theory (of the Frankfurt School) and classical Marxian theory of society.

(b) Write a critical note on Marcuse's theory of 'one-dimensional man'.

2. Write notes on any *two* of the following : 5 × 2

(i) Habermas's concept of 'public sphere'.

- (ii) Concept of 'Instrumental Reason'.
- (iii) Gramsci's view on the role of 'civil society' in the modern State.

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]
