

2008

[1st Semester Examination]

SOCIOLOGY

PAPER—SOC - 1102

Full Marks : 40

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) Write a note on Marx's views on Historical Materialism.

(b) Critically discuss Marx's theory on social change.

(Turn Over)

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

(a) What, for Marx, is the role of the state?

(b) What, for Marx, is a class?

(c) What do you mean by Alienation?

GROUP—B

[Marks : 20]

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

(a) Write a note on the historical background of the development of Frankfurt school as a neo-Marxian school of thought.

(b) Discuss Habermas's critique of modern capitalism with special reference to this concept of 'Public sphere'.

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

(a) What is 'trench warfare' (war of position) in Gramsci's conceptualisation of civil society? Answer briefly.

- (b) Explain briefly Marcuse's concept of 'one-dimensional man'.
- (c) Show how Gramsci distinguishes between traditional intellectual and organic intellectual. Give examples.
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